

# Cape Cod National Seashore Activities November 1, 2015 through January 3, 2016

Including Preview of 2016 Winter Film Festival

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Snowy Dunes, Truro, NPS photo/Patrick Burns

Salt Pond Visitor Center is open year-round. Stop by for suggestions on how to enjoy this less hurried time of year. The visitor center offers daily films, an outstanding museum, rotating art exhibits, a well-stocked gift and bookstore, and a compelling view of the Salt Pond, Nauset Marsh, and the Atlantic. If the weather allows, dress in layers, and stroll a beach or trail, looking for evidence of animals, and exploring what has washed up with the waves. You may spot seals and whales from shore. All six national seashore beaches and twelve self-guiding trails are open year-round, though there may be temporary closures during and immediately following storms.

Restrooms are available at Salt Pond

and in the parking area of Province Lands Visitor Center in Provincetown. The Province Lands Visitor Center has closed for the season, and will reopen in spring. Its outdoor observation deck is open all year, weather permitting, affording a 360-degree view of the Outer Beach and Provincetown. **SALT POND VISITOR CENTER** 50 Nauset Road, off Route 6, Eastham 508-255-3421. Open 9-4:30. Closed on November 26 and December 25.



Activities that are accessible with minor assistance. Contact park staff if you have questions about accessibility.



Activities especially suited to families with children. Adults must accompany children on programs.

Outdoor program. Dress in layers. If weather is inclement, contact Salt Pond Visitor Center at 508-255-3421 to see if the program is cancelled or will be moved indoors, if possible. Pets are not permitted on ranger programs.



## 2015 SUPERINTENDENT'S STATE OF THE PARK PRESENTATION

*Wednesday, November 4, 6:30-7:30 PM* Join us for this annual program that explores current national seashore activities, including the year in review, plus upcoming planning and facility projects, the National Park Service Centennial in 2016, and other topics of interest. There will be a question and answer session following the presentation. Salt Pond Visitor Center, 50 Nauset Road, Eastham.

**INDOOR ACTIVITY: EXPLORE AND LEARN TABLES** *Saturdays and Sundays from November 1 through December 27, and daily from December 28 through January 3, 10 AM-3 PM. Free.* Stop by the Salt Pond Visitor Center and learn about the national seashore through a hands-on, self-guided activity. Topics vary, and range from seals and shells to butterflies and horseshoe crabs. 50 Nauset Road, Eastham.

**WALK: THANKSGIVING PROGRAM - REFLECTIONS ON THE FALL HARVEST OF 1621** *Sunday, November 22, 11 AM. 1.5 hours, 1 mile. Free.* Journey back to the events that took place on Cape Cod and Plymouth leading up to the fall harvest celebration of 1621. Was this the first Thanksgiving? Reflect on professional research as we attempt to retrace the steps of the Mayflower passengers' first explorations of Cape Cod. Meet at the Pilgrim Heights parking area, off route 6, Truro. ✓

**MOVIE: DESPERATE CROSSING** *Sunday, November 29th, 1 PM. Free.* This History Channel production provides a thrilling look at the Pilgrims' perilous journey across the Atlantic, and how they overcame hardships to live and thrive in the New World. The film will show on the large screen at Salt Pond Visitor Center, 50 Nauset Road, Eastham. ♿

**MOVIE: MIRACLE ON 34th STREET** *Sunday, December 27th, 1 PM. Free.* Join us for a step back in time with this 1947 holiday classic. Showing on the large screen at the Salt Pond Visitor Center, 50 Nauset Road, Eastham. ♿

**WALK: WILDLIFE IN THE SEASHORE** *Tuesday, December 29th, 4 PM. 1 hour, up to 1 mile. Free.* As dusk approaches, join a ranger around fields, woods, and wetlands to look for animal life and sign. At this time of day, glimpses of wildlife are more likely to occur than at other times. Meet at the lower parking lot at Fort Hill, 70 Fort Hill Road, Eastham. ✓

**WALK: SALT POND STROLL** *Wednesday, December 30th, 1 PM. 1 hour, up to 1 mile. Free.* During this leisurely walk along the shoreline of Salt Pond you'll discover why people have considered this a good place to call home for thousands of years. Meet at Salt Pond Visitor Center, 50 Nauset Road, Eastham. ✓

**ON EXHIBIT AT SALT POND VISITOR CENTER: PERSPECTIVES - SEEING CAPE COD NATIONAL SEASHORE THROUGH ART** Photographs by Gerald Cohen will show in November, and landscapes by Kathleen Dunn will be on display in December. These works reflect seashore scenes and illustrate how the national seashore has long inspired artists. An artist's reception for Gerald Cohen will be held Saturday, November 7 from 2-4 PM. A reception for Kathleen Dunn will be held Sunday, December 6 from 1-3 PM. Both receptions are open to the public. ♿

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compelling natural and historic places for all to enjoy. Celebration plans are underway at national park areas across the country, including Cape Cod National Seashore. Look for a calendar of events in early 2016.



**EVERY KID IN A PARK:** As part of the National Park Service Centennial, all 4th graders and their families are invited to visit national parks and other federal lands for free in 2016. To find out more and to obtain a voucher for free entry, visit [www.everykid-inapark.gov](http://www.everykid-inapark.gov).

**GET THE PARTY HATS READY!** In 2016 the National Park Service turns 100, marking a century of preserving our nation's most



Brooding plovers. Sidney Maddock image

#### **PUBLIC MEETING ON SHOREBIRD**

**MANAGEMENT** *Tuesday, November 17, 4 PM* Park staff will host an open house focused on the Shorebird Management Plan Environmental Assessment and gather comments from the public regarding the plan. Salt Pond Visitor Center, 50 Nauset Road, Eastham. Prior to the meeting, the draft plan can be viewed at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/projectHome.cfm?projectID=37030>

**PREVIEW OF COMING ATTRACTIONS: 2016 WINTER FILM FESTIVAL** *Sundays at 1:30 PM, January 24 through February 28. Free.* Mark your calendars, and plan to join us for our 2016 Winter Film Festival to celebrate the National Park Service Centennial. The festival will showcase silent films of 1916 and later films they inspired. Look for additional details and film titles in December. ♿

For more information, pick up a copy of *Park News* at a visitor center or visit [www.nps.gov/caco](http://www.nps.gov/caco). Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram

