

2016 Summer Forestry & Conservation Series

A sense of place: Understanding the Black River Watershed from the bedrock to the people and everything in between.

Over the course of the summer we will successively build from the bottom up - from the bedrock - a strong understanding of some of the natural history that makes this place special. Join us for any or all of the free monthly presentations this summer at the Craftsbury Outdoor Center.

Tuesday, May 24, 7:00pm

Geologic History of the Waits River Formation

Marjorie Gale, State Geologist and Director of the Vermont Geological Survey will present on the Geologic History of the Waits River Formation, the bedrock which underlies much of the area on the eastern side on the Black River Watershed throughout Orleans County.

Tuesday, June 14, 7:00pm

Natural Communities of the Black River Watershed

Eric Sorenson, Community Ecologist with the Natural Heritage Program of the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department is also the author of Wetland, Woodland, Wildland: A guide to the Natural Communities of Vermont. Eric will help us better understand the Natural Communities of the Black River Watershed.

Tuesday, July 12, 7:00pm

The Mystery of the Cedar Swamp

Orleans County is the cedar capital of Vermont. Come explore our cedar forests with Allaire Diamond, a Conservation Ecologist with the Vermont Land Trust as she unveils the mystery of the cedar swamp.

Tuesday, August 2, 7:00pm

Native Fish Populations

Rich Langdon, an Aquatic Biologist with Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation will give us the background on how our fish populations came to Vermont.

Tuesday, September 20, 7:00pm

Forest Steward Panel

The vast majority of the Black River Watershed is privately owned, meaning the management of the land we all love is in the hands of many different stewards of this land. In September, meet with several of these stewards and learn of the work they are doing on their land to ensure the land thrives and flourishes for generations to come.

Thursday, October 6, 7:00pm

Natural Disturbances

Natural disturbance has a critical role in the development of our landscape. Come join Steve Long in understanding how these events have shaped our surroundings. Steve is the co-founder and former editor of Northern Woodlands Magazine and author of the new book, Thirty-Eight: The Hurricane that Transformed New England.

All events are FREE and open to the public! We welcome everyone to join us at the Center's Activity Center every month.

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