

Thursdays at MERI

Ocean Classes for Kids



Explore the marine environment and learn about the ocean through hands on activities, shoreline exploration, outdoor adventures, laboratory science, games and crafts. Observe sea animals and birds, solve intertidal mysteries, have close up encounters with tide pool inhabitants.

Thursdays 1:30-3:30 ■ Ages 6 to 12 ■ \$20 for an engaging 2 hour program

July 7 Crabs, Shrimp, Lobsters, OH MY!

Ocean animals with hard shells like to hide. Learn the tricks used to catch these crustaceans and appreciate their uniquely designed bodies and behaviors.



July 14 Whale Flukes and Fish Tails



Whales, seals and fish swim in the same ocean and all have amazing adaptations. Let's explore the world of marine mammals and the amazing varieties of fish in the Gulf of Maine.

July 21 Ocean Locomotion

Crabs that crawl, porpoises that dive and tuna that cruise. Ocean animals are on the move—learn how they manage to survive with quick speed or special getaway techniques.



July 28 Marine Habitat Trek

Trek into the field at low tide with a MERI naturalist to learn about intertidal zones, tide pools and salt marsh habitats. Use nets, binoculars and magnifiers to explore the flora and fauna on our shores.



August 4 Sea Creations

Young artists will collect sand, sea glass, stones and sea weed from the shoreline and then create artistic masterpieces inspired by the sea.



August 11 NETS!

Seine nets, dip nets, plankton nets. Find out what is living under the water before it can make its quick getaway. We will also make a net for a future expedition to the shore.



August 18 Watershed Adventure



Map the Mill stream, go netting for macro invertebrates, determine the water flow and get wet all while learning about watershed dynamics.

Discover yourself!

Space is limited. Pre-register at (207) 374-2135



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