# BLADENSBURG WATERFRONT PARK

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**FALL 2024** 

EXPLORE THE OUTDOORS

GO ON A PONTOON
BOAT TOUR

TOUR A 1926 B&O CABOOSE

Rent Kayaks, Canoes or, Bikes

RENT FACILITIES Waterfront Art Festival

Saturday, October 26, 11 am - 4 pm

Enjoy an afternoon of creativity and entertainment.



- Outdoor Art Market featuring local artists
- Live Music
- · Beer and Wine
- Food Vendors
- Demonstrations
- Community Art Projects
- Activities for Kids
- Free Admission
- Free Parking



## PARK INFORMATION

#### Website

https://www.pgparks.com/parks\_tra ils/bladensburg-waterfront-park

#### **Park Hours**

Daily, sunrise to sunset;
The park closes at the posted time.

#### **Office Hours**

9 am - 5 pm, Daily

#### **Boat Ramp**

Open daily, sunrise to sunset. Please call 24 hours ahead if you need parking for a boat trailer.

### **Fishing**

Fishing is allowed in designated locations. Fishing pier, along the railing (do not block walkway), and Quincy Point. Fishing License required.

Ropewalk Pavilion &
The Waterfront Studio
Available for rent. Call 301-779-0371

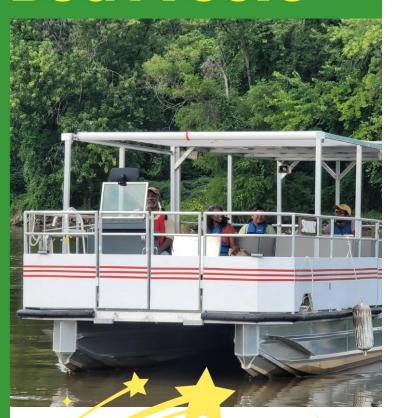
## **Parking**

Free parking. Parking may be limited during high visitation days or large events. Please plan ahead.

## Schools, Camps or, Groups

We offer science, nature and social studies programs and activities. Email BladensburgWP@pgparks.com

## Pontoon Boat Tours



New Times
Beginning Sept. 14
Thursday - Sunday
12 noon

## **Public Boat Tours**

\$3/\$4 per person Tickets available for online purchase. Up to five per family

### **Private Boat Tours**

Tuesday - Friday \$75 minimum or \$3/\$4 per person

> 45 minute tours 6 person minimum

\*\*Boat Tour season ends 10/31/2024.\*\*



#### **Senior Lunch Bunch Boat Tour**

Mon. Sept. 9; 11:30 am-12:30pm; Ages 55 & Better; \$2/\$3; Free with Eagle Pass; #22643-508D

Seniors! Bring your lunch and enjoy a scenic boat ride down the Anacostia River on our passenger pontoon boat.

Free with your Bladensburg Waterfront Park's Senior Eagle Pass membership.

#### **Anacostia River Evening Paddle Tour**

Wed. Sept. 18; 6:00 - 7:30 pm; Ages 11 & up; \$25/\$33; #22640-508A

Go kayaking with a guide & explore the beautiful scenery of the Anacostia River. Tour will stop at sites along the river. This is a moderate pace paddle tour. Must have kayaking experience. Must stay with the group. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Life jackets, paddles and boats provided.



#### Senior Gardening Workshop - Fall Gardening, Winter Preparations, & Conservation

Mon. Sept. 23; 11:00 am-12 noon; Ages 60 & Better; \$5/\$7; Free with Eagle Pass; #20507-508A

Participate in this informative fall gardening workshop (indoors). Topics include gardening, winter preparations, conservation, soil composition, technology in gardening, wildlife, and more. *Free with your Bladensburg Waterfront Park's Senior Eagle Pass membership*.

## That '70s Funk & Soul Boat Tour

Fri. Sept. 27; 6:00 - 7:30 pm; Ages 18 & up; \$10/ \$13; #22643-508I

All aboard for a fun music filled boat ride! Wear your '70s gear if you like. Enjoy refreshments, music, mingle and take pictures in front of the backdrop. Then, come aboard and sing along to popular 1970s funk, disco, and soul. Have fun with music trivia games and karaoke. Enjoy the beautiful scenery while you cruise down the Anacostia River.

### Fishing Trip

Sun. Sept. 29; 9:30 am -12 pm; Ages 10 & up; \$10/\$13; #22626-508A Enjoy a morning fishing on the Anacostia River from a pontoon boat.



Rods & bait provided, or you can bring your own. A good activity for beginners. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult.

#### Park Information & Rules

- No unpermitted group events or organized gatherings on the park grounds, under the pavilion, or inside gazebos.
- No amplified music in the park, from cars, in gazebos, or under pavilion unless permitted. Other Park Rules apply.
- Please keep your dogs on a leash and pick up pet waste. Pet waste pollutes our rivers and streams.
- This is an alcohol and smoke free park. No alcohol, smoking, or smoke-related products permitted.



#### **Autumn Sunset Boat Tour**

Wed. Oct. 9; 6 -7 pm; All Ages; \$5/\$7 #22643-508A

Enjoy a relaxing sunset boat tour down the Anacostia river to see the beautiful leaves of autumn. See beautiful colors, turtles, birds and more. Bring binoculars or use one of ours. If it is a little chilly, bring a blanket, snuggle up and relax.

#### **Anacostia River Evening Paddle Tour**

Wed. Oct. 16; 5:30 - 7 pm; Ages 11 & up; \$20/\$26; #22640-508B Go kayaking with a guide and explore the beautiful scenery of the Anacostia River. Tours will stop at various sites along the river. This is a moderate pace paddle tour. Must have kayaking experience. Must stay with the group. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Tandem kayaks available. Life jackets, paddles and boats provided.



#### **Fishing Trip**

Sun. Oct. 20; 9:30 am -12 pm; Ages 10 & up; \$10/\$13; #22626-508B

Enjoy a morning fishing on the Anacostia River from a pontoon boat. Rods & bait provided, or you can bring your own. A good activity for beginners. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult.

## **Waterfront Art Festival**

Sat. Oct. 26; 11 - 4 pm; All ages; Free admission and parking

Enjoy a day of creativity & entertainment!

Visit our outdoor art market featuring local artists, sip on wine and beer from Denizens Brewing Company, see artistic demonstrations and participate in community art projects!

Enjoy delicious foods and treats from local food vendors, and enjoy live music from The Love Station and Time To



Eternity Band! Fun for the whole family, with a kids creative zone, hands-on activities, and free boat tours! You don't want to miss it!

## Parks & Recreation

#### **Sunday Stroll: Nature Discovery Walk**

Sun. Nov. 3; 2-3 pm; All Ages; Free; #22629-508A

Join a Park Naturalist on a nature walk through the park and along the paved Anacostia River trail. This is a slow to medium paced activity with occasional stops to enjoy nature.





#### **Bicycle Tour: To Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens**

Sun. Nov. 10; 1 - 2:30 pm; Ages 8 & up; \$10/\$13; #22652-508A Enjoy a guided bicycle tour down the Anacostia River Trail to the Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens. We may stop at various points to learn about the amazing wetland habitats that surround the river. Includes bike and helmet, or bring your own. This is a slow to medium pace casual ride. Must be able to ride two miles each way.

#### **Sunday Stroll: Nature Discovery Walk**

Sun. Nov. 17; 2-3 pm; All Ages; Free; #22629-508B

Join a Park Naturalist on a nature walk through the park and along the paved Anacostia River trail. This is a slow to medium paced activity with occasional stops to enjoy nature.

## Gemstone & Crystal Workshop

Sat. Nov. 23; 1-2:30 pm; Ages 7 & up; \$7/\$10; 22678-508A

Come and discover the radiant and beautiful world of crystals, gemstones, and geology. Use microscopes, lights, and other cool tools to explore the amazing properties of raw and polished gemstones from around the world. Examine their color, clarity, cut, shapes, hardness and more. Plus, pick out a stunning gemstone for a necklace or bracelet to take with you!



## These Two Eagles Love Bladensburg Waterfront Park



Could it be? Have the bald eagles decided to build a new nest across from Bladensburg Waterfront Park? One of them was spotted, seemingly building a nest. The pair currently lives at the National Arboretum.

Majestic and iconic with striking white heads and tails, bald eagles are a sight to see at Bladensburg Waterfront Park. In the wild, bald eagles typically build their massive nests in tall trees near water, where they have easy access to fish, their primary food source. The males and females work together to construct these nests, which can weigh up to a ton and are often used year after year.





Racoon (Procyon lotor)

Our trail camera spotted a racoon walking on the ledge of the bulkhead above the floating wetlands.

Is that breakfast? Maybe this raccoon found something tasty at five o'clock in the morning. Raccoons are nocturnal omnivores, good climbers, and swimmers. They are intelligent and can solve complex problems. They prefer habitats near water. Like any wildlife, they can be unpredictable.







#### Online Reservations

- Book a Session: 9 am 12 pm or 1 pm 4 pm
   Residents: \$25/kayak; \$30/tandem kayak or canoe
- Non-Residents: \$33/kayak; \$39/tandem kayak or canoe
- Parks Direct account required

#### Walk-in Rentals

3 hour rentals; Limited availability. Boats return by 4 pm Residents \$40 per boat; Non-Resident \$52 per boat

\*\*Boat Rentals end 10/31/2024.\*\*





- Waterfront View
- Picnic Tables
- · Great for small and large events
- Free Parking **Other Stipulations Apply**
- · Capacity: 25-500 people
- · Located near playground, fishing dock, and trails
- · Daily rates start at \$300 plus security deposit



- Waterfront view
- Gated patio area
- · Small fridge and microwave
- Rectangle tables, high top tables and chairs
- Great for small events
- Free parking

- Capacity: 50 people
- Located near playground, fishing dock, and trails
- Cost start at \$75 per hour plus security deposit
- \$50 or more per hour with pavilion rental

#### **Program Registration Information**

In order to register for programs, you will need a Parks Direct account. Create your account today at:

### pgparksdirect.com



\*Your account and associated fee rates will automatically default to "non-resident" status. If you are a resident of Prince George's or Montgomery County, you will need to visit a staffed M-NCPPC facility and show proof of age and residency to have your account updated to "resident" status. You will also need to provide valid proof of age for each immediate family member you add to your account before they can register for programs. If you need assistance, send an email to: CustomerService@pgparks.com or call 301 -699-2255.

#### Connect with us!









- The Department of Parks and Recreation encourages and supports the participation of individuals with disabilities. Register a minimum of two weeks prior to the program start date to request and receive a disability modification.
- Customers who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, call Maryland Relay 7-1-1.
- ▶ Language interpretation is available at all facility front desks. Please ask for assistance.