

# **museum** bulletin

## **Tell Me a Story**

By Jessica Oliveri

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Look for these symbols to identify where an event will be held...



25 Boulevard, Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY  
 Public hours: Fri. – Sun, 12pm – 4pm  
 “Meet the Animals” Saturday & Sunday  
 1pm & 2:30pm  
 845.534.7781



120 Muser Drive, Cornwall, NY  
 Across from 174 Angola Road  
 Office hours: Mon. – Fri. 8:30am – 4pm  
 Visitors Center & Grasshopper Grove:  
 Weekends 10am – 4pm Apr. 8 – Nov. 12  
 845.534.5506 x204  
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We want kids to ruin their shoes. We want them to balance precariously on logs. We want them to make mud pies and get dirty and not care one bit. That’s what we want for every kid in the Hudson Valley. To be a child of nature, at home in nature. To be more connected to the natural world than to the digital one. Because here at the Nature Museum, we believe it’s that connection, that love of wild nature, that turns someone into a caretaker of the environment.

There have been multiple studies that prove it, too. All the research indicates that time spent in nature as a child is the best way to ensure future environmental stewardship in adults. We read the research and our nature educators make sure that our programs address the findings of the experts, but when I go looking for proof, I look for stories.

I’d rather hear about the boy who volunteered at the Wildlife Education Center, who spent his summers learning and exploring in the woods there and grew up to get a PhD in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology than read a statistic.

I’d rather listen to the story of a father and daughter who started taking walks together on the trails at the Outdoor Discovery Center when she was eight and how they still take those walks together now that she’s eighteen, how he would patiently point out the trees and the rocks and the animals they’d see along the way and how she does that now, too, than look at a chart.

I’d rather find the evidence in the words of someone who knows the Nature Museum, who loves it, who feels the difference coming here has made in their lives. That’s why a quote like this one from a former Young Naturalist Preschool student means more to me than anything the experts say:

*“My experiences at the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum gave me a firm foundation to appreciate, take care of, and explore the environment for the rest of my life. Our teachers did not just tell us about the world, they took us out into it. We got to smell, see, touch, and even taste nature, until we felt as at home there as we did in our beds at night.”*

- Elizabeth Klosky

The studies are important and I’m glad to know that the experts agree with us, but the stories are the only proof I need to know that we are meeting our mission to “create responsible caretakers of the environment.”

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# from the

## SUSAN W. CHRISTENSEN

# board chair

Dear Friends:

In March of 2015, I wrote a Bulletin article reflecting on the changes that had taken place in the ten years I had been on the Board of Trustees. They included the name change from "The Museum of the Hudson Highlands" to "Hudson Highlands Nature Museum," the logo change, the new access road from Angola Road to the Outdoor Discovery Center and the building of Grasshopper Grove.

The last two years have brought more changes still. With an eye toward the Nature Museum's future, we have put in place a remarkably strong and talented administrative team. Jackie Grant has moved away from the day to day running of the Museum to concentrate on how we can best utilize all our resources – staff, Board, volunteers and facilities.

The educational programs are thriving under the capable leadership of Jenny Brinker. Kerrilee Hunter has completed a full school year as Director of our extraordinary Young Naturalist Preschool. She has built on the strong program developed by Sandy Dixon. At the Wildlife Education Center, Emily Nestlerode is not only caring for our animals, but also presenting fabulous programs, and successfully curated the current exhibit, *Birds on the Wing*.

Rob Lipkin, Director of Operations, has overseen a number of overdue repairs and property management changes with the support of his team.

We have wanted to add a Development Director to the staff for some time now. All the pieces fell into place at the end of our last fiscal year and we were delighted to welcome Jessica Oliveri back to the Museum after three years with another organization. We knew Jessica, and she knew us, and, when she rejoined the team on March 1, she "hit the ground running."

In the coming years, there will be more changes as new energy on the Board and Staff leads to new activities, programs and events. But no matter what the future holds for the Nature Museum, the HHNM will always be a haven of green space and education for its members and friends and for all the people of the Hudson Valley.



Environmental Educators and Young Naturalists plant a tree at the Outdoor Discovery Center

## Spotlight on... Board of Trustees



Bob Lynch, Paul Stermer, and Andrew Jacobs

The Hudson Highlands Nature Museum is proud to welcome Andrew Jacobs, Bob Lynch, and Paul Stermer to our Board of Trustees. The three newest members bring a wealth of experience in different fields and a tremendous amount of enthusiasm for the Museum and its mission. Bob and Paul both became involved with HHNM through the Young Naturalist Preschool program, while Andrew, our neighbor at the Outdoor Discovery Center, came to us through an interest in volunteering. We are thrilled to have them on board!

# Annual Report Highlights

March 1, 2016 – February 28, 2017

## 611

households and corporate sponsors supported nature play & education as members of the HHNM

## 10

 years of celebrating Earth Day with a family friendly Hike-a-Thon

## 85

 volunteers donated over 2254 hours of their time

## 65

members of the Acorn

Society pledged their annual support for three years



## 81%

of the Museum's school programs were held at our two locations



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## 2,586

 visitors discovered nature play in Grasshopper Grove

The mission of the HHNM is to create responsible caretakers of the environment. Through quality educational programs for the public that focus on the unique ecology of the Hudson Valley, the Museum promotes knowledge and appreciation of our natural world and the dynamic role of human interaction in its well-being.

# 56

live animals in our collection include mammals, birds, turtles, snakes, amphibians, and fish



# 37,237

total visitor contacts

# Highlights



# 9,572

students participated in environmental education through local schools

# 14 Adult Programs & Adventures had 301 participants on the move



# 1

new accessible Sugar Shack opened to the public for Maple Sugar Tours

# 185

ATTENDED THE GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW BIRDS ON THE WING EXHIBIT



# 374

summer campers explored in great outdoors!



# 86

children developed a lifelong appreciation and relationship with the natural world in our Young Naturalist preschool program



# 2

state of the art Micro-Eye microscopes donated to the Museum



# 32

DEDICATED  
STAFF  
MEMBERS



# 308

people attended

# 21

Weekend Nature  
Programs

# 414

children and families  
participated in our  
Animals and Nature  
Together Series and  
Nature Strollers



# 247

visitors attended  
Butterfly Weekend

# 3,906

visitors met the  
critters at the Wildlife  
Education Center



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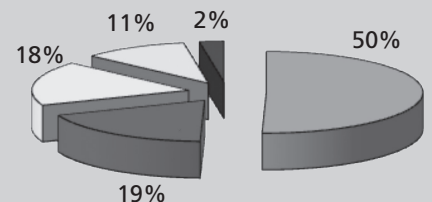
# Highlights

**11**  
consecutive  
years  
ending our  
fiscal year  
in the black

## OPERATING REVENUES & EXPENSES FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017\*

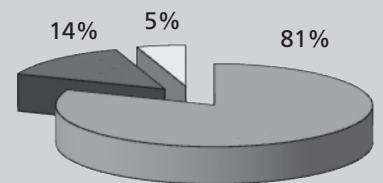
### OPERATING REVENUES

Admissions/Sales/Program Fees	\$454,131.00	50%
Fundraising Events	\$167,383.00	19%
Grants and Corporate Sponsorships	\$158,445.00	18%
Membership Donations	\$97,779.00	11%
Other	\$22,615.00	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$900,353.00</b>	<b>100%</b>



### OPERATING EXPENSES

Program Costs	\$729,284.00	81%
Administration	\$126,049.00	14%
Fund Raising	\$45,018.00	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$900,351.00</b>	<b>100%</b>



\*Not yet audited. The Hudson Highlands Nature Museum is a 501 (c) 3 tax exempt educational organization chartered by the NYS Board of Regents. A copy of the most recent audited statement can be obtained by calling the Museum at 845-534-5506 x 201.

# Weekend Programs

Join us for a series of interactive and engaging programs about science and nature. Programs may include a presentation, outdoor exploration on our grounds and a variety of other activities.



Unless otherwise noted all programs begin at 10am at the Outdoor Discovery Center and are suggested for adults and families with children over the age of five. Prepaid registration is not required. Same day admission to the Wildlife Education Center is FREE after paid attendance for a Weekend Program.

Admission: \$8 adults, \$5 children,  
Members: \$5 adults, \$3 children

Saturday, September 9

## FAIRY HOUSES & TOAD ABODES

Learn about habitats while using your imagination to create homes for fairies and other whimsical creatures.

Sunday, September 10

## SURVIVAL 101

You never know when you need survival skills, so why not be prepared? Gain knowledge on basic survival skills; learn the rule of 3, how to find water and clean it, make a fire, and build a shelter.

## Saturday, September 23 MONARCH BUTTERFLY TAGGING & RELEASE!

Learn about monarch butterflies, their unusual lifestyle and lifecycle, and their miraculous migration to Mexico. Become a citizen scientist as you catch and tag them as part of a national research project.



Sunday, October 15

## ANIMAL SUPERSTITIONS

Halloween lore is filled with animals: spooky owls, creepy spiders, black cats, and vampire bats to name a few. Learn how some of the most popular Animal Superstitions came to be, discover which stories are truth and which are fiction, and meet some of the animal characters in these stories.

Sunday, October 22

## FALL FOLIAGE HIKE

In the autumn, our favorite trails become ablaze with vibrant reds, yellow and golds. Join us for a beautiful fall hike and learn a little bit about tree identification too!

Saturday, November 18

## TURKEY TALES (WEC)

Learn all about this fascinating bird that is so prevalent this time of year. Find out about the turkey's natural history and amazing adaptations. Make a turkey craft to take home.



Sunday, December 3

## FISHING IS RED HOT IN THE WINTER!

Join Carl Heitmuller for an ice fishing tutorial. Learn ways to land a whopper through the ice. He will discuss safety, equipment, technique, and share fishing tips and some of his secret spots.

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### OFF SITE PROGRAMS

#### Beacon Institute for Rivers & Estuaries – 10am

Sep 23 Owls of NYS  
Oct 14 Creepy Crawlies  
Nov 4 Ceremonies & Games

#### Wave Hill – 1pm

Sep 17 Ladybug Station  
Dec 16 Decorating for the Birds

#### Storm King Art Center – 1pm

Sep 24 Monarch Butterfly Release

## FAMILY FUN EVERY WEEKEND

### WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 12pm – 4pm

Open year round

Live animal exhibits with "Meet the Animal" programs

Saturday & Sunday 1pm & 2:30pm

Interactive exhibit: "Birds on the Wing"

StoryWalk®: Read your way along the trail –

new story begins September 2

Admission: \$3 Adults & Children age 3 & above Members: Free

### SPECIAL CREATURE FEATURE WEEKENDS

Sep 2 – 3 StoryWalk® Animal  
Nov 25 - 26 Hibernation Weekend  
Dec 16 – 17 Winter Birds

### GRASSHOPPER GROVE

Saturday & Sunday, 10am – 4pm

April 8 – November 12

Young children enjoy this unique natural play area where they can find adventure and explore outside.

Admission: \$3 Adults & Children age 2 & above

Members: Free

### SPECIAL NATURE PLAY EVENTS 10am – 12pm

Saturday, Sep 16 Fabulous Family Forts

Saturday, Oct 21 Wacky Weather

Sunday, Nov 12 Closing Nature Hike

# visit us often!

# Adult Programs & Adventures

## PONDS & PROSECCO

Saturday, September 30  
3pm – 4:30pm (ODC)

Get down and bubbly while learning about the wetland ecosystem! Sip, stroll and see what lives below the surface of our ponds.

Prepaid registration required at hhn.org

Admission: \$20 Adults  
Members: \$15 Adults



Come early to look them over and chat with their owners. Prepaid registration not required.

Admission: \$8 Adults Members: \$5

## SPECIAL LECTURE: BEATRIX FARRAND: LANDSCAPE DESIGNER

Monday, November 6  
7:30pm at Cornwall  
Presbyterian Fellowship Hall  
222 Hudson St.,  
Cornwall-on-Hudson

Famous for her complex flower borders as well as advocacy of native landscapes and plants, Beatrix Farrand

is one of the foremost landscape designers of the early 1900s. Join Karen Smythe, Executive Director of the Beatrix Farrand Garden Association, and hear about Farrand's life, work, and restoration of one of her early residential designs in Hyde Park, NY. Prepaid registration not required.

Admission: \$8 Adults  
Members: \$5 Adults



## BIRDING WITH THE BAKERS

Saturday, October 7  
8:30am (ODC)

Learn the basics of this engaging hobby from avid birding enthusiasts Sharon and David Baker. Join us for a birding presentation and a hot or cold beverage and donut



before venturing out in search of spring migrants. Bring Binoculars! Prepaid registration not required.

Admission: \$7 Members: \$5

## SPECIAL LECTURE: ARE YOU READY FOR AN ELECTRIC CAR?

Tuesday, October 17  
7:30pm at Cornwall Presbyterian Fellowship Hall  
(come early to look at the cars)  
222 Hudson St., Cornwall-on-Hudson

Sure, electric cars have green credentials, zippy performance, and much lower operating costs than gas-powered cars, but until recently, high sticker prices, limited range, and a scarcity of available models have made them a tough sell to the American public. In the past year, prices have come down, ranges have gone up, and a flood of new models are starting to hit the market. Is now the time to join the inevitable transition to electric mobility? Join author David Noland, a long-time electric car owner and advocate, for a lively talk on the past, present, and future of the electric car. On display outside will be a Tesla Model S and X, Chevy Volt and Bolt, Honda electric Fit, and Volkswagen e-Golf.

## WINE GLASS PAINT 'N SIP

Saturday, November 11  
3pm – 6:30pm (ODC)

Uncork your creativity as you take ordinary wine glasses and make them into a beautiful winter scene! Pati DeAngelis from The Artist Within provides the glasses, art materials, and step-by-step instruction. Laugh, sip, unwind, and leave with two painted wine glasses! Keep your creations for yourself or give as a thoughtful gift for a nature lover.

Prepaid registration required at hhn.org

Admission: \$50 Adults  
Members: \$40 Adults



# Special Events

## STORYWALK® OPENING DAY



Saturday, September 2  
12pm - 4pm

The Museum, in partnership with the Cornwall Public Library and The Grail, invites you to StoryWalk® 2017.

Read an illustrated children's story, *Trout are Made of Trees* by April Pulley Sayre to learn how plants and animals are connected in the food web as you stroll along our meadow trail.

1:00 & 2:30  
Meet the Animal!

1:30 & 3:00  
guided walk along our StoryWalk® Trail

Throughout the afternoon - craft and snack for the kids

Included with  
Regular Admission:

\$3 Adults & Children age 3 & above Members: Free



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## MOVIE NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM!



Saturday, September 16  
6pm - 8:30pm

Don't miss this great evening of family fun featuring the screening of *Zootopia*. Put on your jammies and enjoy an evening of animal close-ups and popcorn with the whole family. Bring a blanket and snuggle up in our gallery as a naturalist introduces you to some of our education animals from the film! Then watch a rookie bunny cop and a cynical con artist fox as they work together to uncover a conspiracy in a city of anthropomorphic animals.

Note: Limited space available. Prepaid registration required

Admission: \$15 Adults, \$12 Children 3 & above  
Members: \$10 Adults, \$7 Children 3 & above

## POETRY TRAIL OPENING CELEBRATION



Sunday, September 17  
4pm - 6pm

The Hudson Highlands Nature Museum is pleased to partner once again with the Hudson Highlands Land Trust to present the "River of Words" Poetry Trail. Experience a series of unique, temporary installations celebrating the nature-inspired poetry of local students as you walk along our red trail.

## "I SPY" HALLOWEEN NATURE TRAIL



Saturday, October 28 & Sunday, October 29  
11pm - 3pm  
Drop in any time to start your trail.

Let's have some spook-tacular family fun! Can you find all of the objects cleverly hidden along the Halloween Trail? Which ones belong in nature and which ones certainly do not?! Sharpen your observation skills as you search for animal artifacts, like bones and skulls. Find them all and earn a prize! Then visit the Creepy Crawly room and do a Halloween craft or two!

Admission: \$8 Adults, \$6 Children 3 & above  
Members: \$6 Adults, \$4 Children 3 & above



## FULL MOON HIKE



Saturday,  
November 4  
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Join us for a hike like no other! Experience the woods in a light like you've never seen: the moonlight. Our expert staff will ensure safe night hiking habits are utilized by the group and guide you along the enchanting scenery of the forest at night. This hike



is weather dependent. Please bring a flashlight or headlamp. Prepaid registration required.

Admission: \$8 Adults, \$6 Children 3 & above  
Members: \$6 Adults, \$4 Children 3 & above

**visit [hhnm.org](http://hhnm.org)  
for details on all our  
programs and special events!**



## CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday, November 12  
The Powelton Club, Newburgh  
12pm

Save the date for our annual Champagne Brunch and Silent Auction. Join the Museum in honoring Howard Protter as a "Champion of the Environment" in the Hudson Valley.

For information, call 845.534.5506 x215.



## BARNES & NOBLE BOOK FAIR

Sunday, November 19  
All Day - Shop any Barnes & Noble or online and benefit HHNM

Do your holiday shopping in a store or online using a Museum Book Fair voucher and a percentage of your purchase will be donated to the Museum!

### BONUS!

From 10am – 4pm at Barnes & Noble,  
1245 Route 300, Newburgh

Live Animal Presentations! Museum educators will be in the children's section with live animals. Your children enjoy the presentation while you shop!

## THANKSGIVING WEEKEND AT THE WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

November 24, 25, and 26  
12pm – 4pm

Bring the family for post-holiday fun! Visit with our live animals and find out what they had for Thanksgiving Dinner. "Meet the Animal" presentations at 1pm and 2:30pm. Shop for nature themed holiday gifts and/or purchase an Animal Sponsorship as a unique holiday gift or for yourself! Gain a special friend and support its care at the Museum. Visit [hnm.org](http://hnm.org) for more information!

Admission: \$3 Adults & Children 3 & above  
Members: Free

# JUST FOR KIDS!

## ANIMALS & NATURE TOGETHER ... ANTS!



Designed for children ages 2 - 4\*, this program provides an opportunity for children to learn about animals and have fun with an adult (parent/grandparent/caregiver) in a structured environment. Crafts, songs, stories, and hands-on exploration provide an enriching introduction to native animals. This one-of-a-kind program helps to build an understanding and respect for the animals and plants in the Hudson Highlands. A great way to prepare your child for preschool

8-week session – Choose from 3 options  
Wednesday: Sep 13 – Nov 1  
9:30am - 10:30am 11:00am – 12:00pm  
Thursday: Sep 14 – Nov 2 9:30am - 10:30am

Admission per Adult/Child pair: \$120.00 Members: \$95  
(5% sibling discount)

Prepaid registration required at [hnm.org](http://hnm.org).

\*NOTE: Your child MUST be 2 years of age to enroll. This is a special time for adults and toddlers. Kindly make arrangements for siblings over 9 months. Enrollment for each class is limited to ten adult/child pairs; register early for your preferred day and time.

## NATURE STROLLERS



A hiking group for families with babies, toddlers, and young children. Join us for a one-hour hike with the tykes led by a Museum educator! Meet at the Outdoor Discover Center Visitors Center.

Mondays, Sep 11 – Nov 6 (no hike Oct 9) 9:30am  
Admission: \$5 per family Members: Free

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# JUST FOR KIDS!

Prepaid registration required at [hhnm.org](http://hhnm.org) or call 845.534.5506 x204

## AFTER-SCHOOL ADVENTURES

3:45pm - 5pm 5-week session Members: \$75 Non-members: \$90



### FIND FEATHERED FRIENDS! GRADES K - 2

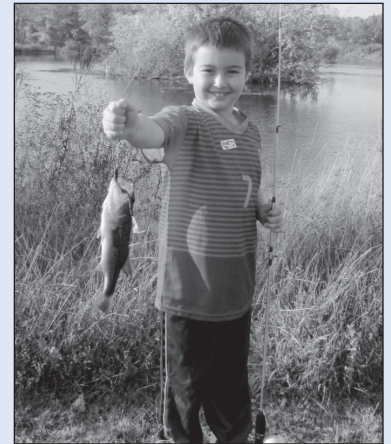
Tuesdays, Sep 12 – Oct 17 (no program Oct 3)

Join Carl Heitmuller for a fun filled afterschool program that lasts five weeks. We will discover birds and their nests through use of binoculars and have a live owl visit our program. We will also be making a variety of bird feeders including a "Human Bird Feeder" and of course, playing games to learn about migration and bird population.

### FALL FISHING! GRADES 3 - 5

Mondays, Sep 18 – Oct 23 (no program Oct 9)

Carl puts the fun in learning the fundamentals of fishing! We provide all the equipment and training needed to enjoy the beautiful days of autumn while learning all about the fish in the ponds and how to hook and land them.



## NATURE PLAY CLUBS

Sep 18 – Nov 13 (No Clubs Oct 9)

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays

Lunch Club: 11:30am - 1:30pm After School Club: 3pm - 5pm

The Museum will once again offer our popular Nature Play program for 4 and 5 year olds. Extend your child's outdoor playtime for up to three days a week. Playing in Grasshopper Grove and other places outdoors is a wonderful way to develop coordination, practice cooperation, and connect to the environment. Plus, the extended hours help children prepare for the full days of kindergarten.

Session: \$300 for 3 days/week, \$243 for 2 days/week, \$135 for 1 day/week, \$18/day drop-in



## SCHOOL BREAK MINIBREAK CAMP

Dec. 27, 28, and 29 9am – 3pm (ages 6-9)

Pull the kids away from the screens and let them reconnect with nature! Meet a different live animal each day and learn how animals survive the cold of winter. Enjoy plenty of time hiking, playing outdoor games, hands-on activities, and crafts.

Members: \$42/day Non-Members: \$48/day



## FALL SCOUT PROGRAMS

Bring your troop, den, or pack for an exciting day of learning and fun on the trails as they earn requirements for awards and badges. Scout workshops are held at the Outdoor Discovery Center

1:45 – 3:45pm Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts

12:30 – 3:45pm Webelos/Arrow of Light

**Admission: \$15 per Scout, Adults FREE (1 Adult per 5 Scouts);** No refunds for no-shows day of workshop. Prepaid registration required at [hhnm.org](http://hhnm.org)

Oct 15 - Wolves: Paws on the Path

Oct 21 - Webelos: Walkabout  
(12:30-3:45pm)

Nov 5 - Junior: Get Moving Journey

Nov 12 - Webelos: Castaway  
(12:30-3:45pm)

Nov 18 - Cadets: Breathe Journey

Dec 2 - Daisy: Earth & Sky Journey

Dec 3 - Bears: Furs, Feathers & Ferns

Dec 9 - Brownies: Wonders of Water



Spring Programs: Find out when registration opens by signing up for our emails at [hhnm.org](http://hhnm.org).

## MEMBERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

Whether they are members, contributors, or donors to our Hike-A-Thon, Champagne Brunch, NYC Benefit, or other events we are grateful to everyone who supports our efforts to connect kids to nature through education and play.

(We make every attempt to be accurate with our listings. Please contact Jessica at 845.534.5506 x215 with any questions.)

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to July 1, 2017

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Saturday, October 21 - 9:00am

Kid's Dash - 10:15am

Award Ceremony – 10:45am

Autumn Color – majestic scenery - wide meadow paths and clearly marked woodland trails – this run (or walk!) takes place entirely on the Museum's Outdoor Discovery Center property.



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The Mission of the Museum is to create responsible caretakers of our environment. Through quality educational programs for the public that focus on the unique ecology of the Hudson Valley, the Museum promotes knowledge and appreciation of our natural world and the dynamic role of human interaction in its well-being.

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### Wildlife Education Center

25 Boulevard, Cornwall-on-Hudson  
845.534.7781

Open year round:  
Friday – Sunday from 12-4pm  
Admission: \$3 for ages 3 & up  
Members: Free

### Outdoor Discovery Center

120 Muser Drive, Cornwall  
(entrance across from 174 Angola Rd.)  
845.534.5506 x204

Open mid-April to mid-November  
Saturday – Sunday from 10am-4pm

- Trails: Free
- Grasshopper Grove:  
Admission: \$3 for ages 2 & up  
Members: Free

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