

# MIANUS RIVER GORGE




## 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS





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DATE	EVENT	DETAILS	
<b>Saturday Mar 29</b>  10:00am - 3:00pm	<b>Season Opening Volunteer Day</b>  Meet at the Gorge parking area, across the road from 167 Mianus River Road, Bedford, NY	Trails open April 1! We'll get a head start with clearing sticks and branches from the trails to ensure the trails are in tip-top shape for the season. Roll up your sleeves to help us work on the new trailhead interpretive loop and wildlife viewing pavilion project. We've been waiting all winter to welcome you back to the Preserve!  Bring your own lunch and work gloves if you have them.  RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.	A group of people are seen working in a forest clearing, likely participating in a trail maintenance project. They are surrounded by trees and fallen branches.
<b>Saturday Apr 12</b>  1:00pm - 3:00pm	<b>Deploying Wildlife Cameras</b>  Meet at the Gorge parking area, across the road from 167 Mianus River Road, Bedford, NY	MRG's Chris Nagy deploys wildlife cameras to study coyotes, bears, deer, and other wildlife throughout the region. Learn how we capture these images and why it's important for ecology research studies. Chris will show you how to use wildlife cameras in your own backyard so you can see who's visiting. He'll tell you about his favorite brand of cameras for backyard use.  RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.	A close-up photograph of a coyote's head and shoulders, looking towards the camera. The background shows a forest with green foliage.
<b>Saturday Apr 26</b>  1:00pm - 3:00pm	<b>Spring in the Old-Growth Forest</b>  Park on the southeast side, across from 5 Mianus River Rd, Bedford, NY	Join Executive Director Rod Christie as we explore the fields and forest of the southern preserve. We will discuss the rich assemblage of plants and animals that call the old-growth forest home while reading the history of the land left behind by previous inhabitants.  RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.	A photograph of a moss-covered log lying on the forest floor. The surrounding area is lush with green ferns and other plants, indicating a healthy old-growth forest.

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<p><b>Thursday May 1</b></p> <p>6:30pm - 9:00pm</p>	<p><b>2025 Mianus River Gorge Spring Wingding</b></p>	<p>MRG's spring fundraising event celebrates the Gorge and supports important land and water protection efforts in the Mianus River watershed and throughout the region.</p> <p>For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit our website, <a href="http://www.mianus.org">www.mianus.org</a>.</p>	
<p><b>Saturday May 17</b></p> <p>7:00am - 10:00am</p>	<p><b>Bird Walk</b></p> <p>Meeting location to be determined.</p>	<p>Join MRG's own bird expert, Budd Veverka, for an early-morning bird walk in the Gorge. Starting out at sunrise, we will have a great chance at seeing the array of warblers and other songbirds that both inhabit--or just pass through--the Mianus River Gorge Preserve. Remember to bring your binoculars!</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	
<p><b>Saturday Jun 28</b></p> <p>10:00am - 12:00pm</p>	<p><b>Trailhead Interpretive Loop Opening Celebration</b></p> <p>Meet at the Gorge parking area, across the road from 167 Mianus River Road, Bedford, NY</p>	<p>Come check out the newly built trailhead interpretive loop that traverses the woodland habitat restoration site. Take a break on one of the new benches overlooking the Mianus River. Join us to celebrate this new visitor experience and learn about our plans for completing the new wildlife observation pavilion. This project was funded by generous donors and grants. Staff, scouts, and volunteers all contributed to building the easily accessible trail for all to enjoy.</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	

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<p><b>Saturday Jul 19</b></p> <p>9:00am - 11:00am</p>	<p><b>Stream Walk</b></p> <p>Meeting location to be determined.</p>	<p>Put on a pair of water shoes or old sneakers and join Executive Director Rod Christie for a walk in the river. You'll wade along while you learn about the natural history of the Mianus River Gorge, the creatures that depend on the riparian habitat and corridor, and efforts to protect this drinking water source for many.</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	
<p><b>Friday Aug 22</b></p> <p>7:00pm - 9:00pm</p>	<p><b>Family Nighttime Exploration</b></p> <p>Meeting location to be determined.</p>	<p>Discover the cool insects, bats, and other creatures that come alive as the sun goes down. We'll keep an eye out for skunks, watch for bats overhead, and listen for owls. We will set up night lights to attract iridescent beetles, the fierce-looking Praying Mantis, and an array of moths. Remember to bring a flashlight!</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	
<p><b>Saturday Oct 4</b></p> <p>1:00pm - 3:00pm</p>	<p><b>Fall Walk at Twin Lakes</b></p> <p>Meet at the intersection of Twin Lakes Rd &amp; Lake View Ln, Pound Ridge, NY</p>	<p>Join Executive Director Rod Christie for a stroll through Mianus River Gorge's Twin Lakes Property, a preserve that is not yet open to the public. We will explore the history of the property including its use by Native Americans as well as its rich diversity. This will be a moderately easy mile walk off-trail and over some uneven terrain. We'll enjoy cider and donuts after the walk.</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	
<p><b>Saturday Oct 18</b></p> <p>6:45pm - 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>Owl Walk #1</b></p> <p>Meet at the Gorge parking area, across the road from 167 Mianus River Road, Bedford, NY</p>	<p>Join owl expert and enthusiast, Chris Nagy, Ph.D., on an evening walk in the Gorge. We'll look for the Eastern Screech Owl, Great Horned Owl and Barred Owl, three year-round residents of the Preserve. You'll learn the mnemonic devices to remember their calls to know who's who. We may spot bats, flying squirrels, and other nocturnal creatures, too.</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	



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<p><b>Sunday Oct 19</b></p> <p>10:00am - 3:00pm</p>	<p><b>Volunteer Day</b></p> <p>Meet at the Gorge parking area, across the road from 167 Mianus River Road, Bedford, NY</p>	<p>Help keep the Preserve in good condition, both for hikers and its unique flora and fauna. We need your help to do some trail work, invasive species removal, and more. The work is both important and gratifying. All volunteers welcome! (<b>Counts toward conservation service hours for scouts!</b>)</p> <p>Bring your own lunch and work gloves if you have them.</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	
<p><b>Saturday Nov 15</b></p> <p>5:30pm - 7:15pm</p>	<p><b>Owl Walk #2</b></p> <p>Meet at the Gorge parking area, across the road from 167 Mianus River Road, Bedford, NY</p>	<p>During this Owl Walk, Chris Nagy will call to the Eastern Screech Owl, Great-Horned Owl and Barred Owl and we'll listen for who's who. As the owls will soon begin the nesting season, you'll learn some owl biology, including typical owl behavior. Remember to bring a flashlight!</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	
<p><b>Saturday Nov 22</b></p> <p>1:00pm - 3:00pm</p>	<p><b>Winter Tree ID</b></p> <p>Meet at the Gorge parking area, across the road from 167 Mianus River Road, Bedford, NY</p>	<p>Is it easier or more difficult to tell which tree is which when its leaves have fallen? Budd Veverka is up for the challenge and will help you identify trees by examining unique buds, opposite or alternate branches, and, of course, the bark. You'll see trees side by side to compare and contrast the features that determine the tree. You'll also learn which creatures depend on winter trees for food and shelter.</p> <p>RSVP to <a href="mailto:info@mianus.org">info@mianus.org</a> or call (914) 234-3455.</p>	
<p><b>Thursday Jan 1, 2026</b></p>	<p><b>First Day Hike</b></p>	<p>Please keep an eye out for details on our website <a href="http://mianus.org">mianus.org</a>!</p>	

*Additional programs may be scheduled as the year proceeds. We will announce new events as they are scheduled.*