



Mound House and Newton Beach Park

May 2021 Program Calendar

Mound House Museum Hours and Programs are subject to change.

Please check our website for the most up to date information.

Masks required for all participants. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to all programs and museum visitors. Kayak tours are limited to 8 participants.

Museum hours: Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 9am to 4pm.

- MAY 1 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
10am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
11am- Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- MAY 4 TUES.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), *Free*.
10am- Family Outside Adventure Program, \$2 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
1pm- Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- MAY 5 WED.** Mound House Museum Closed.
9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
1pm – **New!** Advanced Kayak Tour, \$55 (*MH Members \$25*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 6 THUR.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), *Free*.
10am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
1pm- **New!** Latino History outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
- MAY 7 FRI.** Mound House Museum Closed.
1pm – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
6:30pm – Sunset Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 8 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
9am – Family Fun Kayak Tour- for ages 6 and up. www.moundhouse.org for info and to register.
10am- Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
1pm- Shell Mound outside guided tour \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.

- MAY 11 TUE.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 10am- Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm- **New!** Latino History outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Admission not included.
- MAY 12 WED.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 1pm – **New!** Beginner Kayak Tour, \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 13 THUR.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 10am- Family Outside Adventure Program, \$2 (MH Members free) Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm- Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included
- MAY 14 FRI.** Mound House Museum Closed.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 1pm – **New!** Advanced Kayak Tour, \$55 (MH Members \$25) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 15 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Family Fun Kayak Tour- for ages 6 and up. www.moundhouse.org for info and to register.
 10am – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
- MAY 18 TUES.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 10am – Family Outside Adventure Program, \$2 (MH Members free) Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm- **New!** Latino History outside guided tour \$5 (MH Members free) Admission not included.
- MAY 19 WED.** Mound House Museum Closed.
 9am –Mangroves by Kayak Tour \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 1pm – **New!** Beginner Kayak Tour, \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 20 THUR.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 10am - Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
- MAY 21 FRI.** Mound House Museum Closed.
 1pm – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 6:30pm – Sunset Kayak Tour, \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 22 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour \$45 (MH Members \$15) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 10am-Family Outside Adventure Program, \$2 (MH Members free) Admission not included.
 11am- Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm- **New!** Latino History outside guided tour, \$5 (MH Members free) Admission not included.

- MAY 25 TUES.** Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 10am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm- Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- MAY 26 WED.** Mound House Museum Closed.
 1pm – Family Fun Kayak Tour- for ages 6 and up. www.moundhouse.org for info and to register.
 6:45pm – Full Moon Rising Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 27 THUR** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 10am- Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- MAY 28 FRI** Mound House Museum Closed.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- MAY 29 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 10am -Family Outside Adventure Program, \$2 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.

MOUND HOUSE & NEWTON BEACH PARK PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS:

ADVANCED KAYAK TOUR: *New!* Seeking a greater challenge while exploring parts of the Estero Bay where others typically don't go? Then join us on a 3-hour paddle through mangrove isles of Hell Pickney Bay. Museum admission included and an extra ticket to give to a guest! Reservations required visit www.moundhouse.org to register. COST: \$55 per person (*MH Members \$25*) All paddling equipment provided. Weather permitting. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to this program. Masks required for all participants while on land. Maximum of 8 paddlers per tour.

BEACHWALK AT NEWTON BEACH PARK: Explore the natural treasures on Fort Myers Beach through a guided walk along the shore. Participants should meet at Newton Beach Park under the thatched hut (4650 Estero Blvd). Wear sunscreen, appropriate clothing, shoes, and hats. Weather permitting. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to this program. Masks required for all participants. Free.

BEGINNER KAYAK TOUR: *New!* For true beginners who want to go kayaking at their own pace. During this 2-hour informative and scenic tour, participants will learn the basics of kayaking and have an introduction to the unique ecosystem of Estero Bay and Matanzas Pass. \$45 per person (*MH Members \$15*) All paddling equipment provided. Weather permitting. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to this program. Masks required for all participants while on land. Maximum of 8 paddlers per tour.

FAMILY ADVENTURES OUTSIDE PROGRAM: Explore everything fun at the Mound House! Interpretive staff leads families through entertaining and educational experiences you will never forget! Perfect for families with children 6 and older. Masks required for all participants over the age of 6. CDC guidelines are followed this and all programs. COST: \$2 - Museum admission NOT included (*Members free*).

MOUND HOUSE & NEWTON BEACH PARK PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED:

FAMILY FUN KAYAK TOUR: Have fun with the whole family at the Mound House with a kayak tour designed specifically for families with children ages six and up. Look for wildlife including birds, dolphins, and manatees as we cruise through the mangroves in Estero Bay. Reservations required visit www.moundhouse.org to register. Must have children ages 6 to 11 years of age to register for this tour. Mound House kayak tours are conducted in accordance with Florida Society for Ethical Ecotourism guidelines COST: \$15 (ages 6 to 12), \$25 (ages 13 and up) Museum admission ticket included (*Members \$10*) All paddling equipment provided. Weather permitting. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to this program. Masks required for all participants while on land. Maximum 8 paddlers.

FULL MOON RISING KAYAK TOUR: Scheduled to catch a full moon, participants will explore tidal creeks and winding mangrove tunnels extending into the hidden backwaters of Estero Bay as only a kayaker can. This unique tour offers rare opportunity to experience the abundant life within our estuary in the quiet of twilight by the light of the full moon. Reservations required visit www.moundhouse.org to register. COST: \$45 per person (*MH Members \$15*) All paddling equipment provided. Weather permitting. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to this program. Masks required for all participants while on land. Maximum of 8 paddlers per tour.

GARDENS OUTSIDE GUIDED TOUR: Discover the unique plants that make up the gardens of the Mound House and how the Calusa and other Native Americans used them in their daily life. Take a stroll through the gardens and learn how native plants help to conserve water and protect wildlife. \$5- Museum admission NOT included. (*MH Members free*).

LATINO HISTORY OUTSIDE GUIDED TOUR: New! Are you a history buff? Expand your knowledge of Florida history by taking this tour to learn about the Latino fishing village, or *rancho*, which existed on the mound between the Calusa and Anglo-Pioneers. Explore the archaeology and history of the site and what clues archaeologists and historians uncovered about this multicultural society. Reservations required visit www.moundhouse.org to register. Masks required for all participants over the age of 6. CDC guidelines are followed this and all programs. COST: \$5 Museum admission NOT included (*Members free*).

MANGROVES BY KAYAK TOUR: This guided kayak tour explores the winding mangrove creeks and hidden backwaters of the Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve as only a kayaker can. Join Mound House Environmental Educators as you experience the abundant natural beauty of the ancient realm of the Calusa. Search for birds, fish, manatees and dolphins as you paddle through the Estero and Hell Peckney Bays in a tandem kayak. Mound House kayak tours are conducted in accordance with Florida Society for Ethical Ecotourism guidelines. All paddling and safety equipment provided. Ages 12 and up. Weather permitting. COST: \$45 per person (*MH Members \$15*) Museum admission ticket included. Private group tours available. Reservations required. Go to www.moundhouse.org to register. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to this program. Masks required for all participants while on land. Maximum of 8 paddlers per tour.

SHELL MOUND OUTSIDE GUIDED TOUR: Interested in archaeology? This tour is for you! Go on a tour with Mound House interpretive staff and learn about the 2,000-year-old Calusa Indian Shell Mound Site. Explore the archaeology of the site and what clues archaeologists uncovered about this ancient society. Masks required for all participants over the age of 6. CDC guidelines are followed this and all programs. COST: \$5 Museum admission NOT included (*Members free*).

SUNSET KAYAK TOUR: Scheduled to catch a beautiful sunset, participants will explore tidal creeks and winding mangrove tunnels extending into the hidden backwaters of Estero Bay as only a kayaker can. This unique tour offers rare opportunity to experience the abundant life within our estuary in the quiet of twilight. Mound House kayak tours are conducted in accordance with Florida Society for Ethical Ecotourism guidelines. All paddling and safety equipment provided. Ages 12 and up. Weather permitting. COST: \$45 per person (*MH Members \$15*) Museum admission ticket included. Private group tours available. Reservations required. Go to www.moundhouse.org to register. CDC and social distancing guidelines apply to this program. Masks required for all participants while on land. Maximum of 8 paddlers per tour.

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Overflow parking is located at 216 Connecticut Street. Grounds are open daily sunrise to sunset.

