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Adkins Arboretum's Medieval Forest Fair is Sat., June 15

Revel in a day of forest fun when Adkins Arboretum celebrates its second annual Medieval Forest Faire from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sat., June 15. Inspired by legends and lore of the medieval period, Forest Faire offers a wide variety of activities and entertainment for families in search of outdoor fun.

Adventurers of all ages are invited to embark on a forest quest and search among the trees for the Green Man of the ancient Celts. Some of the many activities planned include building with wattle and daub, guided foraging, archery practice, a labyrinth, cooking pottage over a campfire, medieval crafts and constructing "castles" with sections of tree stumps.



A local peasant (Shane Brill of Chestertown, at center) leads a discussion on foraging at Adkins Arboretum's 2018 Forest Faire. Forest adventurers of all ages are invited to attend this year's Medieval Forest Faire on Sat., June 15 from 11 to 3.

Medieval ballads and madrigals will be performed throughout the day by Ampersand and the Allegro Women's Chorus. Fortunetelling and demonstrations by a local falconer will be ongoing, and the festivities will close with sword dancing by the Sammati Dance Company of Caroline County.

Fairegoers are encouraged to wear Camelot-inspired costumes and to bring their cameras for photos with notable nobles. Unicorn rides by Snapdragon Stables and

refreshments, including ice cream by local Nice Farms Creamery, will be available for purchase.

Forest Faire is \$10 per person for adults and children ages 6 and over. Children ages 5 and under are admitted free. **Advance registration is appreciated.** To register, visit adkinsarboretum.org or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. For more information, visit adkinsarboretum.org or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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