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New Guided Nature Hikes Offered at Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park

MACKINAW CITY, MICH. — Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park is home to 600-plus acres with more than three miles of groomed hiking trails, which is exactly why park naturalists are eager to bring visitors out to explore it with our new guided experience: *Flowers, Ferns & Feathers: Nature Hikes at Mill Creek*.

The forest at Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park is alive with amazing plants and animals of the north woods. Join park naturalists on short, guided hikes this summer to discover what’s growing, blooming, flying, and walking along the trails. These easy, 30-minute adventures are perfect for the entire family.

“This summer, we’re excited to invite guests on special guided hikes twice a day on the trails of Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park. With our naturalists, visitors of all ages can search for flowers, ferns, birds, and other wonders of the forest,” said Kyle Bagnall, Mackinac State Historic Parks’ Park Naturalist. “Many times, guests who try the trails are amazed at how beautiful the rest of our park is, beyond the visitor’s center, sawmill area, and adventure tour. Every hike is different and new adventures await each and every day!”

The guided hikes will take place at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. daily and will start at the picnic area in the center of the park. The hikes are included with regular admission.

A downloadable version of this release can be found here. More pictures are available upon request. For more information on Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park, or for information on tickets, visit mackinacparks.com.

Mackinac State Historic Parks, a family of living history museums and parks in northern Michigan's Straits of Mackinac, is an agency within the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Its sites—which are accredited by the American Alliance of Museums—include Fort Mackinac, the Biddle House, The Richard and Jane Manoogian Mackinac Art Museum, Historic Downtown Mackinac, and Mackinac Island State Park on Mackinac Island, and Colonial Michilimackinac, Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse, Historic Mill Creek Discovery Park and Michilimackinac State Park in Mackinaw City. Mackinac State Historic Parks is governed by the Mackinac Island State Park Commission, established in 1895 to protect, preserve and present the parks' rich historic and natural resources for the education and recreation of future generations. Visitor information is available at (231) 436-4100 or online at www.mackinacparks.com.

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