



Scenic Rivers

Central Ohio Region Events

All programs are subject to change. Notify the SQM Coordinator if special accommodations are needed for your participation. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

- Fri March 30** **Little Darby Preserve Invasive Plant Work Day**, 9am – noon, 61455 Lafayette Plain City Rd. Remove invasive plants and help native wildflowers thrive.
- Sat April 21** **Keep It Wild: Earth Day @ Brown Family Environmental Center** at Kenyon College, 12-4pm. Meet live native wildlife plus enjoy food vendors and music.
- Sun April 29** **Mohican Wildlife Weekend**, 2-5pm, Wolf Creek Grist Mill, S.R. 3, Loudonville. Enjoy a weekend of heritage and natural history; stop at the mill to net creek life with scenic rivers staff.
- June 9-10** **MORPC RiverFest**, Scioto Mile, Columbus. Try FREE kayaking during the Columbus Arts Festival from the Rich Street bridge.
- Sat June 16** **Northern Olentangy Watershed (NOW) Festival**, Noon – 3pm, Mingo Park, Delaware. Enjoy a rubber duck race, canoe float, rain barrel raffle, exhibits and vendors. Learn how to monitor the river's health with a workshop at 2:30pm (wear shoes and clothes that can get wet).
- Sat June 23** **Clear Fork Mohican River Paddle Ohio float**, 9:30am – 1:00pm. Kayak four miles of the Clear Fork State Scenic River through a beautiful gorge in Mohican State Park. Participants must be at least 9 years of age and with an adult. RSVP required at Lisa.Katz-Durham@dnr.state.oh.us.
- Sat June 30** **Kokosing State Scenic River & Water Trail Paddle Ohio float**, 9:30am – 1:00pm. This 4.3 mile canoe trip from Mount Vernon to Gambier is hosted with the Knox Co. Park District and Brown Family Environmental Center. RSVP required at heather.doherty@dnr.state.oh.us.
- Sat July 14** **Highbanks Metropark Outdoor Adventure**, 9am – 4pm. Celebrate healthy family living, connecting with nature and getting outside to play! Look for us at the Olentangy River station.
- July 25-Aug 5** **Ohio State Fair**, 10am – 5pm. Visit the scenic river's living stream exhibit in the Natural Resource Park along with an ODNR butterfly house, bald eagles, fishing, archery range and much more.
- Sat Sept 8** **50th Anniversary Crowdad Derby**, 10am – 2pm, Mohican State Park Campground Shelter House, 3116 S.R. 3, Loudonville. Get your feet wet in the beautiful Clear Fork of the Mohican State Scenic River! Catch crowdads, try other water-filled fun and learn how to be a river steward.
- Sat Sept 15** **Kokosing River Rally**, 9am – noon, C.A.&C. Depot, 501 S. Main Street, Mount Vernon. Volunteers will walk the river bank or canoe to pick up trash. RSVP to randycanterbury@co.knox.oh.us.
- Sun Oct 7** **Darby Day**, 1-4pm, Indian Ridge Picnic Area at Battelle Darby Metro Park. Enjoy seining, noodling for mussels, canoeing, fly fishing, live animals and more along Big Darby Creek.

Stream Quality Monitoring Workshops

Volunteers are needed to help sample water quality on Scenic Rivers. Learn what stream life tells us about stream health. Free and open to the public, wear shoes and clothes that can get wet.

Darby: May 23, June 16, Aug 22

Olentangy: May 16, June 16, Aug 8

Kokosing: June 6, July 11

Mohican: June 13



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