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SALAMANDER DAYS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULED THIS SPRING

Salamander Days is an awareness campaign presented by the City of Marquette and Superior Watershed Partnership, in partnership with Peter White Public Library, Upper Peninsula Children's Museum, Moosewood Nature Center and Members of the Community. It is a collective effort to educate the public about the annual migration of the blue spotted salamander and the associated city road closure that occurs at Presque Isle Park in the spring months. This unique natural phenomena in the City limits presents an opportunity to advocate for environmental etiquette and appreciation.

The goals is to celebrate and spread conscientious awareness of the blue spotted salamanders and other spring indicator species through educational programming, arts, and community engagement throughout the greater Marquette community.

Salamander Days events will occur throughout March and April and include: salamander-themed crafts and activities in the Children's Maker Space at the Peter White Public Library; Second Thursday programming of springtime amphibians, frog poetry, and salamander painting at the Upper Peninsula Children's Museum; educational programming at the Moosewood Nature Center; Signs of Spring Art Exhibit hosted at City Hall; Senior Arts April programming through the Office of Arts and Culture; and more educational and science programming with the Superior Watershed Partnership.

For specific programming information and the call to artists for submission to the Signs of Spring exhibit, please visit the Marquette Compass at mqtcompass.com;
<https://www.mqtcompass.com/salamander-days/>.

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