



A PARK FOR ALL FOREVER

MUIR WOODS CENTENNIAL EVENTS—2007-2008

*WINTER—Salmon Spawn, Monarch Butterflies
Overwinter*

DECEMBER 21, 2007 / WINTER SOLSTICE

The kickoff event for the Muir Woods Centennial Year. A magical evening celebrating the longest night of the year featuring “solstice crown”-making ; a stage performance of songs, stories, and puppetry; and trails lit with luminaria.

JANUARY 8, 2008 / QUIET DAY

A unique opportunity on a fee-free day to experience this ancient forest as it once was. With a pause in work and ranger programs, and visitors encouraged to keep their voices low, experience the tranquility of this timeless place.

JANUARY 9 / BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On the 100th anniversary of Muir Woods’ establishment as a National Monument, a commemorative ceremony and historic reunion of conservationists, rangers, scientists, and other staff who have contributed to the stewardship of the forest. Special ranger-led hikes and volunteer opportunities give the public many ways to join the celebration. And, of course, birthday cake for all!

FEBRUARY 2 / EARTH DAY CLEANUP

One of the premier conservation volunteer events in the Bay Area. Hundreds of community members participate in planting, weeding, beach cleanup, and trail work in Muir Woods and Redwood Creek watershed.

MARCH 20 / “BIG YEAR” EVENT

Meet at Muir Woods for an afternoon removing invasive cape ivy from northern spotted owl habitat. Bring a bag dinner and then join a ranger for a night walk to learn about the park’s nightlife. It is a great opportunity to experience the special qualities of an old-growth forest.

SPRING—Wildflowers Bloom, Birds Nest

APRIL 21 / CELEBRATION OF TREES

On a fee-free day, events to commemorate a confluence of key dates: John Muir’s birthday (April 21), Earth Day (April 22), Arbor Day (April 25), and National Park Week.

MAY 10 / INTERNATIONAL MIGRATORY BIRD DAY

MAY 19 / U.N. DAY

SUMMER—Ladybugs Cluster, Fog Rolls In

JUNE 21 / SUMMER SOLSTICE AT MUIR BEACH

Celebrate the longest day of the year at the continent’s edge with stories and song around a bonfire. Join us at the beach—honoring the conservationist, John Muir—where Redwood Creek flows into the ocean. Free to the public.

AUGUST 25 / FOUNDERS DAY

Special programs honoring the leaders who “founded” the National Park Service in 1916. A fee-free day.

FALL—Maple Leaves Change Color

SEPT. 20 / CALIFORNIA COASTAL CLEANUP DAY

SEPT. 27 / NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

OCTOBER 25 / RIVER OF WORDS

Wrapping up the Centennial Year, this festival showcases art and poetry about the Redwood Creek watershed created by young people, capturing the hopes of the next generation for Muir Woods and the greater environment.

**Visit www.nps.gov/muwo for updates on events.*