



Mound House and Newton Beach Park

August 2021 Program Calendar

Mound House Museum Hours and Programs are subject to change.

Please check our website for the most up to date information.

Museum hours: Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 9am to 4pm.

- AUG 3 TUE.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
1pm – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
2pm – **New!** Cool Calusa Tools \$2 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
- AUG 4 WED.** Mound House Museum Closed.
9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- AUG 5 THUR.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
11am – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
1pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
2pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- AUG 6 FRI.** Mound House Museum Closed.
9am – Family Fun Kayak Tour- for ages 6 and up. www.moundhouse.org for info and to register.
- AUG 7 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
1pm – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
2pm – **New!** Cool Calusa Tools \$2 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
- AUG 10 TUES.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
11am – **New!** Untold Stories guided tour, \$15 Adults (*Members free*) Museum Admission included.
1pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
2pm – Latino History outside guided tour \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- AUG 11 WED.** Mound House Museum Closed.
9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
1pm – **New!** Junior Explorers (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.) (*MH Members Free*). Children \$2, Adults with Children Free.

- AUG 12 THUR.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), *Free*.
 11am – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 2pm – **New!** Untold Stories guided tour, \$15 Adults (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission included.
- AUG 13 FRI.** Mound House Museum Closed.
 9am – **New!** Spooky Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 1pm – **New!** Junior Explorers (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.) (*MH Members Free*). Children \$2, Adults with Children Free.
- AUG 14 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Family Fun Kayak Tour- for ages 6 and up. www.moundhouse.org for info and to register.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 2pm – **New!** Cool Calusa Tools \$2 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
- AUG 17 TUES.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), *Free*.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 2pm – Latino History outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- AUG 18 WED.** Mound House Museum Closed.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 1pm – **New!** Junior Explorers (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.) (*MH Members Free*). Children \$2, Adults with Children Free.
- AUG 19 THUR** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), *Free*.
 11am – Latino History outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – **New!** Untold Stories guided tour, \$15 Adults (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission included.
 2pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- AUG 20 FRI** Mound House Museum Closed.
 6pm – **New!** Build and Brew, Native American Pottery. COST: \$40 (*MH Members \$30*). Limit 20 people. Registration required, call 239-765-0865 for reservations.
- AUG 21 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Family Fun Kayak Tour- for ages 6 and up. www.moundhouse.org for info and to register.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – **New!** Untold Stories guided tour, \$15 Adults (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission included.
 2pm – **New!** Cool Calusa Tools \$2 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
- AUG 24 TUE.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), *Free*.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 2pm – **New!** Untold Stories guided tour; \$15 Adults (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission included.
- AUG 25 WED.** Mound House Museum Closed.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 9am – **New!** Conservation Café, \$20 (*MH Members \$10*) Reservations required 239-765-0865.

- AUG 26 THUR** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 11am – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 2pm – **New!** Untold Stories guided tour, \$15 Adults (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission included.
- AUG 27 FRI** Mound House Museum Closed.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
- AUG 28 SAT.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Mangroves by Kayak Tour, \$45 (*MH Members \$15*) www.moundhouse.org to register.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – **New!** Cool Calusa Tools \$2 (*MH Members free*) Admission not included.
 2pm – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
- AUG 31 TUES.** Mound House Museum Open 9am to 4pm.
 9am – Beachwalk (at Newton Beach Park, 4650 Estero Blvd.), Free.
 11am – Shell Mound outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 1pm – Gardens outside guided tour, \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.
 2pm – Latino History outside guided tour \$5 (*MH Members free*) Museum Admission not included.

MOUND HOUSE & NEWTON BEACH PARK PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS:

BUILD AND BREW: **New!** An evening of art, crafts, and wine or a local craft beer; the recipe for a great summer night. Each Build and Brew ticket includes admission to the museum, drink ticket, and a one-hour class of rotating crafts that relate to the history of the Mound House site. This month, participants will make pottery out of modeling clay and learn about the different styles of pottery used by Native Americans in Florida, including the style discovered at the Mound House. Classes are held with participants socially distanced. Tickets: \$40, MH Members \$30. Limit 15 people. Registration required by calling 239-765-0865.

BEACHWALK AT NEWTON BEACH PARK: Explore the natural treasures on Fort Myers Beach through a guided walk along the shore. Participants should meet at Newton Beach Park under the thatched hut (4650 Estero Blvd). Wear sunscreen, appropriate clothing, shoes, and hats. Weather permitting. Free.

CONSERVATION CAFÉ: **New!** Join education staff for an engaging program about Fort Myers Beach and the natural environment with coffee, juice, and light breakfast provided. COST: \$20 per person (*MH Members \$10*). Registration required by calling 239-765-0865.

COOL CALUSA TOOLS: **New!** Want to learn how to hunt and fish like the Calusa? How about how the Calusa would spend their free time making masks and pottery? Education staff will lead this exciting and hands-on tour of the grounds of the Mound House, demonstrate replica Calusa tools and artifacts, and then help visitors make their own Calusa inspired artwork or have your imagination take over! Perfect for families with children 6 and older. Cost \$2- COST: \$2 - Museum admission NOT included (*Members free*).

FAMILY FUN KAYAK TOUR: Have fun with the whole family at the Mound House with a kayak tour designed specifically for families with children ages six and up. Look for wildlife including birds, dolphins, and manatees as we cruise through the mangroves in Estero Bay. Reservations required visit www.moundhouse.org to register. Must have children ages 6 to 11 years of age to register for this tour. Mound House kayak tours are conducted in accordance with Florida Society for Ethical Ecotourism guidelines COST: \$15 (ages 6 to 11), \$25 (ages 12 and up) Museum admission ticket included (*Members \$10*) All paddling equipment provided. Weather permitting. Maximum 12 paddlers.

MOUND HOUSE & NEWTON BEACH PARK PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED:

GARDENS OUTSIDE GUIDED TOUR: Discover the unique plants that make up the gardens of the Mound House and how the Calusa and other Native Americans used them in their daily life. Take a stroll through the gardens and learn how native plants help to conserve water and protect wildlife. \$5- Museum admission NOT included. (*Members free*).

JUNIOR EXPLORERS: New! Explore Newton Beach Park (4650 Estero Blvd.) with your Junior Explorer (ages 2 to 5 years old) and learn about the natural environment, culture, and early life skills like language, numbers, fine motor, and socializing during this 30-minute program. Some topics include *Counting with Nature, Animals of the Estuary, Paint Making, Calusa Masks, Calusa Pottery, and Sorting Shells*. No reservations required. COST: MH Members Free. Children \$2, Adults with Children Free.

LATINO HISTORY OUTSIDE GUIDED TOUR: New! Are you a history buff? Expand your knowledge of Florida history by taking this tour to learn about the Cuban-Muscogee fishing camp and the Cuban fishing industry in Spanish Florida. Explore the archaeology and history of the site and what clues archaeologists and historians uncovered about this multicultural society. COST: \$5 Museum admission NOT included (*MH members free*).

MANGROVES BY KAYAK TOUR: This guided kayak tour explores the winding mangrove creeks and hidden backwaters of the Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve as only a kayaker can. Join Mound House Environmental Educators as you experience the abundant natural beauty of the ancient realm of the Calusa. Search for birds, fish, manatees, and dolphins as you paddle through the Estero and Hell Peckney Bays in a tandem kayak. Mound House kayak tours are conducted in accordance with Florida Society for Ethical Ecotourism guidelines. All paddling and safety equipment provided. Ages 12 and up. Weather permitting. COST: \$45 per person (*MH Members \$15*) Museum admission ticket included. Private group tours available. Reservations required. Go to www.moundhouse.org to register. Maximum of 12 paddlers per tour.

SHELL MOUND OUTSIDE GUIDED TOUR: Interested in archaeology? This tour is for you! Go on a tour with Mound House interpretive staff and learn about the 2,000-year-old Calusa Indian Shell Mound Site. Explore the archaeology of the site and what clues archaeologists uncovered about this ancient society. COST: \$5 Museum admission NOT included (*MH Members free*).

SPOOKY KAYAK TOUR: New! Experience the natural beauty of the mangrove estuary and hear legends of pirates, mermaids, and local lore. Black cats and broken mirrors strictly prohibited. See you there if you dare! Ages 12 and up. Weather permitting. COST: \$45 per person (*MH Members \$15*) Museum admission included. Reservations required. Go to www.moundhouse.org to register. All paddling equipment provided. Maximum of 12 paddlers per tour.

UNTOLD STORIES GUIDED TOUR: New! From farmers to casino owners, scientists to developers, the Mound House has been home to a crew of characters who made history in their own way. Learn more about their stories and the history of Fort Myers Beach on this guided tour through the Mound House Museum, Native Gardens, and grounds. COST: \$15 Adults. Museum admission included (*MH members free*).

CDC guidelines apply to all programs. Masks recommended for unvaccinated participants.

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Overflow parking is located at 216 Connecticut Street. Grounds are open daily sunrise to sunset.

