Mushroom Walk

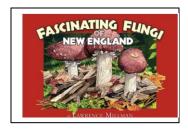
Sunday October 26 1:30 to 3:30 PM Southborough Town Forest, Walnut Drive



Join the Stewardship Committee and Open Space Preservation Commission as we host a walk for Adults led by author-mycologist Lawrence Millman. We will walk in Southborough's Town Forest as we learn how to identify mushrooms, how mushrooms relate to their particular habitats, and why they are essential to almost every habitat. Regardless of the conditions, we will find at least 30-50 different species. **Please note that the focus of this walk** will be ecological, not culinary!

Lawrence has done mycological work in places as diverse as Belize, the Canadian Arctic, Costa Rica, and Nantucket. His inventory of fungi at Wachusett Meadow Wildlife Sanctuary in Princeton, MA, currently numbers 490 species.

With fellow mycologist Bill Neill, he discovered a species in 2005 that hadn't been seen since 1909 and was thought to be extinct. Lawrence has written 16 books, including a guide to New England species -- Fascinating Fungi of New England. Autographed copies will be available to purchase at walk for \$17.00 check or cash.



Walk Details

Meet at Town Forest Trailhead at the end of Walnut Drive Southborough (off Oak Street)

Walk held rain or shine

We may travel off-trail: dress appropriately for tick and poison ivy prevention

We may walk through muddy and wet areas
Use bug spray for tick and mosquito prevention
This walk is geared for Adults only – sorry no children
Walk will continue until 4:30 for the more interested attendees
Bring cameras and magnifying loupes if you have them
Focus on ecological not culinary aspects of mushrooms

Presented by Southborough Open Space Preservation Commission and Stewardship Committee