



Women Outdoors
nurture your nature

36th Annual National Gathering

May 22 - 25, 2015

Registration is preferred by May 4th

www.womenoutdoors.org



**Nature's Classroom at Sargent Center
Hancock, New Hampshire**

Women Outdoors began 36 years ago! Come be part of our history!

Whether you are a hiker or biker, kayaker or swimmer, birder or stargazer, painter or poet, writer or reader, the Women Outdoors Gathering has something for you. Nature's Classroom continues to lease the Sargent Center from Boston University, and we are fortunate to be able to continue to hold our Gathering in the place we have come to love.

Volunteer-Led Workshops



We look forward to an incredible and fun weekend. Most of our activities are volunteer-led workshops. We look forward to hikes to the great blue heron rookery to see the fuzzy heads of baby heron; wildflower and bird walks; moving meditations; kayaking and canoeing on Half Moon Pond; bike rides to nearby villages; hiking up Mt. Monadnock or Mt. Skatutakee; craft activities; drumming; and writing workshops, to name just a few. This is an opportunity to learn a new skill or craft. Consider leading a workshop for a \$30 discount.

Other Activities



Hiking and biking trails are on the property, as well as a lake for swimming and relaxing, canoeing and kayaking (free kayaks are provided). We'll have games, dancing, drumming and a campfire at night. Stargazing and a night hike will also be part of the activities. If you have your own boat, there are nearby lakes to explore. The Climbing Wall and High Ropes course will be available this year. We will have a licensed massage therapist available for an additional fee. Please see www.lindademaine.com for more information.

Entertainment



Returning, by popular demand, will be our **Annual Variety Show**. We'll also hold our **Women Outdoors Auction!** Bring your new or gently used outdoor-related items to our silent auction. The funds raised will help women who need financial aid attend the Gathering.

Help Out Our Service Project



If you would like, help support homeless women by bringing a personal care item (shampoo, razors, underwear, towels, deodorant, laundry detergent, etc.) or a non-perishable food item to share with someone less fortunate. Donations will be given to Angie's Shelter in Manchester, NH. Visit www.newhorizonsfornh.org/programs/angies to learn more about the shelter.

Register by May 4th so we can plan meals & events



Adventure Elements



This year's Gathering will offer the High Ropes Course AND the Climbing Tower at Sargent Center!



On Saturday morning, the Sargent Center staff will open the amazing Climbing Tower. Come challenge yourself!

Let the group cheer you on!

On Sunday morning, Sargent Center staff will run a three-hour activity featuring several high ropes elements that will stretch your idea of what you can do! This activity will be limited to 20 participants.



Annual Meeting and Election of the Board of Directors



Women Outdoors needs your energy and enthusiasm. We are looking for women to run for election to the board of directors. Please email president@womenoutdoors.org to let her know of your interest and she will send you a board application form. Please return the completed application by May 4.

Voting will occur at the Gathering. During the weekend, we will hold our annual meeting and announce the results of the balloting. The board will also give our report on our initiatives of the past year.

Registration Information and Rates - Please Complete Both Sides

ACCOMMODATIONS:

***Cabins and Dorms** feature bunk beds, shared baths with hot showers and thermostat-controlled heat.

*Cabins sleep 4-10 (2-4 per room) with a shared living space and are scattered around the central campus.

*Dorm rooms sleep 4-6 in a room and are located closest to Northern Lodge (the central meeting place/dining facility).

***Yurt Village** consists of round, unheated canvas tents that rest on wooden platforms organized around a campfire. A modern bathhouse with hot and cold running water, toilets and showers is nearby. The village is located in the woods near Southern Lodge (a 10-minute walk or 3-minute bike ride to Northern Lodge). Each yurt sleeps 4-6.

***Tenting/Camping area** is in the large meadow, near Southern Lodge, a 5-minute walk to Northern Lodge. Bathrooms and hot showers are available. In case of inclement weather during the Gathering, you can upgrade to a cabin or dorm (as space allows) at the rates below.

MEALS:

Delicious vegetarian and non-vegetarian entrees are served at each meal. Meals are included in the lodging fee depending on which package you choose. Note: Friday night dinner is an additional charge of \$10 for those who can arrive no later than 6:30 p.m.

	Adult	Youth 12-17	Child 6-11 under 6 free	Total
Lodging: Friday to Monday - 3 nights (includes 8 meals: Sat. B, L, D Sun - B, L, D Mon - B, L)				
Cabin - sleeps 4 - 10	\$310	\$230	\$190	
Dorm - sleeps 4 - 6 per room	\$285	\$205	\$175	
Yurt - sleeps 4 - 6	\$250	\$180	\$150	
Tenting - bring your own	\$215	\$150	\$130	
Lodging: Saturday to Monday - 2 nights (includes 7 meals: Sat. L, D Sun - B, L, D Mon - B, L)				
Cabin - sleeps 4 - 10	\$265	\$190	\$150	
Dorm - sleeps 4 - 6 per room	\$245	\$175	\$135	
Yurt - sleeps 4 - 6	\$210	\$150	\$120	
Tenting - bring your own	\$190	\$130	\$110	
Lodging: One Day and Night - arrive 9 a.m. & depart before lunch the next day (includes 3 meals: L, D, B)				
Cabin - sleeps 4 - 10	\$210	\$135	\$110	
Dorm - sleeps 4 - 6 per room	\$190	\$130	\$100	
Yurt - sleeps 4 - 6	\$170	\$110	\$ 90	
Tenting - bring your own	\$135	\$ 80	\$ 60	
One Day (includes 2 meals: L, D & evening activities) ... Adult \$70 ..Youth \$ 45Child \$45				
Non-member - Membership Fee (Mandatory to attend the Gathering - good for one year)				
\$30 individual; \$55 joint (two, same address) \$15 (over 65 or under 18); \$30 senior joint (two over 65, same address)				
Workshop Leader Discount with advanced registration (please complete form)..Subtract - \$30				
Donation to help another woman attend the weekend (financial aid)				
Friday Night Dinner (\$10 per person - must arrive by 6:30 p.m. NO exceptions)..... Add + \$10				
Registering after Monday, May 4				
				TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

Register online by Monday, MAY 4 at www.womenoutdoors.org/thegathering or make check payable to "Women Outdoors" and send to:

Anna DeSousa
P.O. Box 765
Watertown, NY 13601
Registration questions?
call: (401) 256-1562
gatheringregistration@womenoutdoors.org

Financial Aid Request: If you need support to attend the Gathering, please attach a statement of request (circumstances of your need) with registration by May 4th. Requesting \$ _____.

Partial Refund is available if requested by May 4, 2015.
Contact: gathering@womenoutdoors.org for details.

To learn more or to register online go to www.womenoutdoors.org.

Registration Form -- Gathering 2015

Register online at www.womenoutdoors.org/thegathering or use this form.

Accommodation assignments are first come, first served. Children and youth are welcome, boys to age 8 only.

**Fill out a separate form for each adult
Please print clearly**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: (home) _____

(cell) _____

Is this your first Gathering? ___ Yes ___ No

Children/Youth attending with you:

Name: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Do you wish to be housed with friends?
(Each member of a group must sign up for the same accommodations.)

Print their names: _____

Women Outdoors strives to create an atmosphere of trust, safety and respect for all women regardless of age, class, ethnicity, marital status, physical ability, race, religion, sexual orientation, or size.

Please complete both sides.

Get a \$30 discount by leading a workshop or an activity

We encourage all women to lead a workshop and get a \$30 discount. Please help to create an exciting program at our annual national Gathering by sharing your skills.

Workshop/Activity Title: _____

Workshop/Activity Description: _____

The Workshop Coordinator will contact you about your workshop for further information. If you have questions, please contact Alice at workshops@womenoutdoors.org.

Sign up for the Variety Show!

If you have a talent to share, we invite you to perform at our Annual Variety Show.

Sign me up for the Variety Show

My talent is: _____

If you have questions, please send an email to gathering@womenoutdoors.org.

A confirmation with more information will be emailed or mailed to you within 2 weeks of registering. Please contact us if you do not hear from us within this time frame.