

Save the date! Sunday, April 29th

Holmdel's 20th Earth Day Festival!

From 12 to 5pm, Holmdel's Earth Day Festival will take place at beautiful Bayonet Farm, 41 Middletown Road, in Holmdel. Admission, shows, tours and parking are all free!

Rain or Shine! All shows for children and live band performances take place indoors in lovely preserved barns.

To celebrate this special 20th year, an exciting Birds of Prey presentation will have its Earth Day Festival premiere! Children will love seeing the regal rescued owls, hawks and more.

Photographers: these magnificent wild birds will be on hand all day!

Fantastic and fun Doodle Dude will engage and delight young artists and *What's the Buzz with Bees?* will get kids up-close to a live beehive! Young environmentalists will also enjoy free nature crafts!

Littlest ones can meet sweet barnyard buddies at the Farm Friends Petting Zoo. (Please Note: per/person admission fee for petting zoo; includes feed cup and readmission stamp.)

Can't let just the kiddies have fun! Great live Folk-Rock Bands will perform all afternoon. A list of performers is in progress but previous Festivals have included favorites as the Swampgrass Jugband, Late4Lunch, Bill Anania, and Adam Finchler.

Guided Tours of the gracious historic Harding House will give a glimpse into the world of the late heiress who lived here and hosted movie stars of the day! Child-friendly Guided Walking Tours will make it evident why the owner had this enchanting farm preserved. Both Tours are free but limited; Tour Tickets as well as programs, raffles and other free items will be available at the Welcome Center. Be sure to visit it upon entering the Festival grounds.

Find answers to your global and gardening questions! Exhibits will be presented by renowned environmental organizations including NY/NJ Baykeepers, Climate Change Lobby, the League of Women Voters, and Monmouth County Master Gardeners and Composters. Local grassroots activists and perennial Festival co-sponsors, Citizens for Informed Land Use (CILU) will have information pertinent to Holmdel environmental issues. Also expected are Holmdel Historic Society, Holmdel Girl Scout Troops, Holmdel Venture Crew #10, as well as Festival co-sponsor, Holmdel Environmental Commission,

Young environmentalists of Holmdel Village and Indian Hill Schools will be showcased in a juried art exhibit to take place in the barns.

And, as always, delicious homemade sandwiches and fresh baked goodies will be for sale at the Red Barn Deli and Olde Fashioned Bake Shoppe! Souvenir Bayonet Farm Earth Day Tee Shirts will also be available.

Hikers who wish to start their day with an easy-to-moderate Greenway Walk to the Festival led by former Mayor Larry Fink are welcomed. Please meet at 10am at the Ramanessin Section trailhead parking area on Roberts Road, opposite the Holmdel Park Arboretum.

For further information, please call Karen at (908) 601-7603.