

## Celebrating the Maine Woods

The Thoreau –Wabanaki Trail Festival commemorates the history of the Wabanaki people and poet, philosopher, and naturalist Henry David Thoreau's three trips into the Maine Woods. It promotes the understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of Maine's unique cultural heritage and natural resources.



The Thoreau-Wabanaki Trail consists of traditional Wabanaki canoe routes and portages in Maine's Kennebec, Penobscot, and Allagash river drainages over which Henry David Thoreau traveled in his three excursions into the Maine Woods, his last two with Penobscot guides Chief Joseph Attean and Joseph Polis.



The festival events are free to all members of NREC.

We appreciate donations from non-members so we may continue to bring you the Thoreau-Wabanaki Trail Festival in the future.

You can become a member of NREC today at:  
[www.NRECmoosehead.org](http://www.NRECmoosehead.org)



Join us Friday night for our BBQ and live music featuring Erica Brown and the Bluegrass Connection. The grill is hot at 5pm and the band is hot at 7pm.



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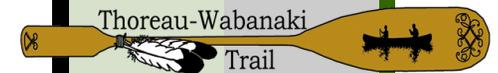
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**The 10th Annual  
Thoreau-Wabanaki  
Trail Festival**



July 13th—16th 2016

Moosehead Center for  
History

**Celebrating the past,  
present, and future of the  
Maine Woods**

## Schedule of Events at the Center for Moosehead History

### Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm:

Mike Wilson, Senior Program Director for the Northern Forest Center, will discuss his experience as lead organizer and participant in the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Thoreau-Wabanaki Tour – a 300-mile canoe expedition retracing the route of Henry David Thoreau's third and final trip through the Maine Woods. Organized in spring 2014 to commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of Thoreau's book *The Maine Woods*, the expedition brought together Maine Guides, members of the Penobscot Nation and Thoreau scholars from across the county for a once in a lifetime experience that was featured on CBS Sunday morning and as a cover story in Yankee Magazine. Mike's presentation will feature professional photography and video from the trip which started in Greenville and ended 16 days later on Indian Island.

### Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm:

Author David Leff presents: "Deep Travel: How to Journey like Thoreau" in which he will discuss Thoreau's method of preparation, means of travel, close observation of people and phenomena during a trip, and impact for life on return. David is author of four nonfiction books, three volumes of poetry, and a novel in verse.

### Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>: 5pm - 8pm:

I wonder if Thoreau had a chicken BBQ when he stopped in Greenville in 1857. I'm not sure, but we will! It's food and music on the shores of Maine's largest lake. Join us from 5-7pm for a chicken BBQ on the lawn across from the Center for Moosehead History. Bring your lawn chair and relax because at 7pm we have Maine's own **Erica Brown and the Bluegrass Connection**.

### Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>:

#### 9 am at the Center for Moosehead History:

Become a Moosehead Trails Steward! The 1.75-mile Number 4 Mountain Trail offers stunning views of Moosehead Lake, the Barren Mountain Chain, and the surrounding landscape from a remote and beautiful location. Constructed as a backcountry hiking route, this trail will eventually be extended to connect to Baker Mountain and the Appalachian Mountain Club's trail system to the south. Volunteers will gain experience clearing corridor, cleaning water bars, blazing, and installing minor drains. Hosted by Moosehead Trails. To sign up, please email Erica Kaufmann at [erica@fsmaine.org](mailto:erica@fsmaine.org)

### Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>:

#### 12-3pm on the Katahdin cruise:

Native American Basket-making with Barbara Francis: Barbara will be on the steamship Katahdin at noon for the afternoon cruise on Moosehead Lake. Grab your ticket for a mid-summer ride on the beautiful Moosehead Lake and join Barbara to learn how the Wabanaki people used native materials to create amazing baskets and jewelry. Barbara's baskets are real works of art!

#### 3pm at the Center for Moosehead History:

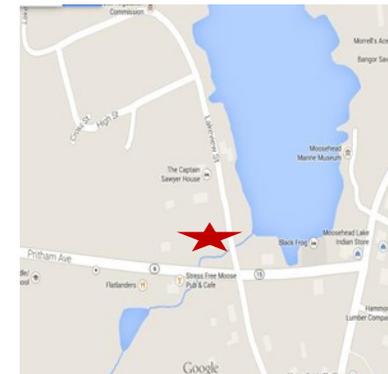
Chewonki presents: Owls of Maine: Habits and Adaptations of Maine's Native Owls. Three live owls are the highlights of this program, which introduces participants to the owls native to Maine and New England. Beginning with slides and sounds, participants will learn the identifying characteristics and calls of each owl. Then, using talons, wings, and skulls, we explore the adaptations of these silent nocturnal hunters. This program ends with an intimate and detailed look at live owls, bringing these creatures of the night into the light!

#### 7pm at the Center for Moosehead History:

The Abbe Museum presents:  
The Archaeology and Prehistory of Moosehead Lake- By Richard Will

The ice left the landscape more than 11,000 years ago and people coming to the Moosehead Lake region to collect the valuable Mt. Kineo felsite weren't far behind it. Home not only to valuable tool-making resources, Moosehead Lake and its environs supplied the necessities of life to thousands of people for thousands of years. The archaeology of Moosehead Lake is a lesson in what can be learned about the lifeways of people when careful, scientific investigation is conducted.

Richard Will was born and raised in Brunswick, Maine. He turned his childhood fascination with archaeology into a full-time, professional career, which is still on-going after thirty years. He's published many papers on archaeology including three on the archaeology of Moosehead Lake. This program is sponsored by Maine Woods Forever.



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