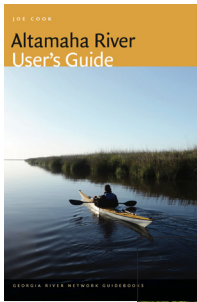




Altamaha River Users Guide



Dozens of people turned out to enjoy Joe Cook's stories from his Altamaha River journeys. The User Guide is terrific! Ashantilly has a few for sale if you missed our program!



Coastal WildScapes Spring Native Plant Sale was a Popular Event

It was a beautiful day at Ashantilly for the Coastal WildScapes Spring Native Plant Sale. Dozens of attendees took home beautiful native plants as well as information about creative bird habitats in the garden and landscaping with native plants.

Florabundance Gardens, Victory Gardens, Naturescapes, and the Georgia Native Plant Society Coastal Plain Chapter all participated in the sale.

The UGA Extension and Birds Georgia provided information to attendees.

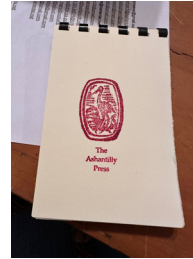


Our Fall Native Plant Sale will be held on Saturday, September 21 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Please join us!



Come Letterbox at Ashantilly

Ashantilly is happy and excited to share that we are now letterboxers. There are two letterboxes hidden on the property. One for the house and one for the print shop. Check out the clues for each box at Letterboxing.org, find the boxes and swap stamps with us.



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Meet Our Resident Artist



Ashantilly is excited to announce that Laurie Darby has been granted our 2024 Summer Artist Residency.

There will be a Meet & Greet on Thursday, July 11, from 5 until 7 p.m. Please join us and help us welcome Laurie to Ashantilly!

Laurie is a printmaker and bookmaker living in Savannah. Her goal, during her time at the Ashantilly Press, is to make an edition of books about the Weeping Time.

We are grateful to our sponsors for this residency program. More sponsors are needed, and anyone donating more than \$100 will receive a token of her work produced at Ashantilly.

Ashantilly Center welcomes new members and volunteers! Visit our website: AshantillyCenter.org/ Membership-Information.



Ashantilly Celebrates Valentine's Day



OPEN STUDIO

Valentine's Day Celebrations at Ashantilly began on Saturday, February 3, with an Open Studio at the Ashantilly Print Shop. Board Members greeted dozens of guests and invited them all to print a Valentine's Card. Attendees could choose from two options.

ASHANTILLY'S ANNUAL VALENTINE'S TEA

It was a full house on Saturday, February 10. The entire house was decorated and guests were greeted with a champagne mimosa. Tables of all sizes were



scattered throughout the house and able to accommodate parties of all sizes.

There was a table full of delightful sweets and savory treats. Everything from cheeses and

charcuterie, fresh fruit, savory bites, cucumber and egg salad sandwiches, delicate cookies, sweet slices of bread, scones, and more.

During the tea, we were all entertained by Bob Allison on the piano. Lively music and song were the icing on the cake for such a fun and merry event.



Earth Day's at Ashantilly Center



OPEN STUDIO

Earth Days at Ashantilly started on Saturday, April 20 at 11 a.m. Dozens of families visited the Ashantilly Press and participated in the Earth Days Open Studio. So many excited children learned about Bill Haynes and the letterpresses he used to print books.

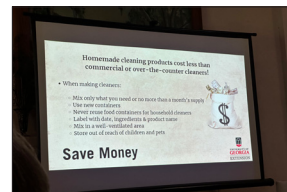
LANDOWNER PRESENTATION: Conservation Practices

McIntosh SEED, Georgia Forestry representatives, and a long-time Soil and Water Conservation Commission member all congregated at Ashantilly on Monday, April 22 at 10 a.m. to meet with landowners to answer questions and discuss conservation methods.

Several landowners asked questions and participated in an informative discussion learning about fire breaks; when to thin trees; and other techniques.

GREEN CLEANING: Make and Take Class

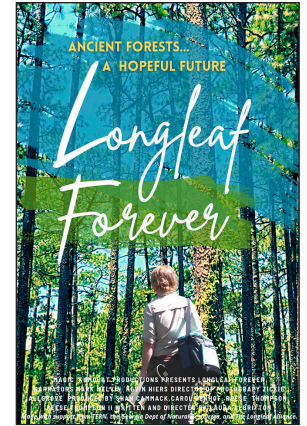
On Monday, April 22 all attendees enjoyed a fun afternoon of learning how to make non-toxic, eco-friendly cleaning products. Michelle Quick, the Glynn and McIntosh County Extension Agent taught all participants how to make a scented room spray and an all-purpose cleaner to take home.



Longleaf Pine Forever Documentary Viewing and Presentation

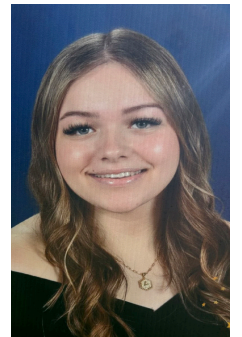
On Saturday, May 10, dozens gathered at Ashantilly Center to view the recently released documentary Longleaf Forever and listen to a panel discussion about the longleaf pine, its environmental benefits, and its preservation.

Carol Denhof, president of the Longleaf Alliance; Ben Sterling, Jr., program manager for McIntosh SEED; and Ashley Curtis, Savannah River Prescribed Burn Coordinator, Tall Timbers, participated in a panel discussion following the documentary, answering questions from attendees and providing additional information.



Congratulations to Abigail Martin

We are excited to announce the 2024 recipient of the Ashantilly Center Scholarship. Abigail Martin, McIntosh Academy Senior, will receive \$1,000 to use toward her college tuition at College of Coastal Georgia. The scholarship was presented by Ashantilly Board Member Felicity Littles.



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