

MUSHROOMS AND MORE: WHAT ARE THOSE FUNGI DOING IN OUR FORESTS?

Join Dr. Joe Ammirati for a nature walk in Bridle Trails State Park on Saturday, October 25. Learn about the natural history of the park from an exceptional field naturalist. Explore the diversity of fungi in the park's forest, and learn how to identify them from one of the region's leading experts. Learn the names of different fungi, the important roles they play in forest ecosystems, and how fungi contribute to overall biological diversity.



Dr. Ammirati is Professor of Biology at the University of Washington. He has more than three decades of experience studying and teaching about fungi. Dr. Ammirati has published numerous scientific articles and is one of the authors of the New Savory Wild Mushroom. He and Dr. Steve Trudell are working on another book on mushrooms of the region.

Each nature walk will be limited to 25 people, and **you must sign up in advance for the particular date**. To sign up, please contact Jim Erckmann at: erckmann1@comcast.net or (425) 827-6595. Information at www.bridletrails.org.

When: The walk will be from 9 till noon on Saturday, October 25

Where: The walk will start near the main entrance to Bridle Trails State Park, on 116th Avenue NE at about NE 53rd Street. Take Exit 17 off I-405 (NE 70th Place), turn south onto 116th Avenue (just east of 405), and travel south about 1/2 mile to the park entrance. We will gather in the picnic area, just northeast of the entrance.

Parking: Parking is available for free in the parking lot.

Preparation: Trails may be muddy, and it could rain, so wear hiking boots and clothing for wet and cold weather. Bring your field guides and your questions.