

EXPLORE THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF MUSSELS



Come out on August 28th & 29th for a close-up view of the mussel world in Minnesota. Mike Davis and Bernard Sietman of the MN DNR, experts in this field will give a hands-on presentation of this rarely seen and understood native species.

August 28th (Friday): 7:00 p.m. presentation at the Ney Nature Center outside of Henderson (28003 Nature Center Lane)

August 29th (Saturday): 9:00 a.m. mussel hike in the Le Sueur River at the Red Jacket Park (2.5 miles south of Mankato off of State Highway 66.) Be prepared to get wet and dirty.

Mussels are members of the second largest group of animals in the world, the Mollusks. Freshwater mussels inhabit lakes and rivers, throughout the world, with North America supporting more species than any other continent. In Minnesota, 25 of the 48 native mussel species are listed as endangered, threatened, or of special concern, and 2 are believed to be extirpated (extinct from Minnesota). For more information check out: www.dnr.state.mn.us/mussels/index.html

This event is sponsored by the Minnesota River Watershed Alliance, an organized network of citizens, public agencies and private organizations dedicated to communicating the benefits of an ecologically healthy Minnesota River Watershed to others, and actively working toward its improvement and protection.

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