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THE FLOOD OF 2023

On July 11th, the ESF Newcomb campus and surrounding communities experienced unprecedented rain and flooding. From July 1st to July 11th the area saw 10 inches of rain fall, 8 inches above the average. With the ground saturated and lakes and ponds at capacity, dams at Fishing Brook and County Line Flow gave out causing Rich Lake to rise 7ft overnight washing out some major structures at the AIC. Additionally, there was catastrophic damage to St Rt 28N at Fishing Brook bridge and the Arbutus bridge on the Newcomb Campus cause a shutdown of both roads for 3 weeks while both were repaired.

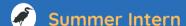
The talented and dedicated staff at the SUNY ESF Adirondack Interpretive Center (AIC) in Newcomb quickly adapted just like their wilderness friends to deliver entertaining educational content despite the challenges brought on by the severe flooding July 11. They could not have been so successful without your support.







API SUPPORTED PROGRAMS







Mud Season Movies







Summer Intern Will Schofield-Broadbent

Interpretive Naturalist who shared his passion for the natural environmentat the AIC both in person and on social media

Artist in Residence

Kate Emery

Kate shared her love of the natural world through her artwork created at the AIC and her expertise of en plein air painting





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The Adirondack Park Institute is a not-for-profit organization formed in 1989 for the purpose of funding environmental education and interpretive programs in the Adirondacks. The API receives its funding through annual memberships, individual donations, and grants. The programs we fund aim to cultivate an understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of the Adirondack's unique natural and cultural resources through exploration and celebration of the outdoors.

2023 AWARDS GALA

The Gala was held on September 15th at the historic Adirondack Hotel in Long Lake. Proceeds from this event benefit educational programs throughout the Adirondacks.



Frank & Jean Hutchins Environmental Education Leadership Award Recipient Dr. Chester A. Crocker

This prestigious award was presented to Dr. Chester A. Crocker who is a respected member of the Tahawus Club in Newcomb and has deep family roots in the Adirondacks. With a distinguished career as the former United States Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs and a Professor Emeritus at Georgetown University, Dr. Crocker embodies the values celebrated by the Hutchins Award. He and his family have been exemplary in their commitment to environmental conservation and community service.

Adirondack Park Insititute Community Service Award Mike Pratt

The 2023 Community Service Award recognizing the work and commitment that has benefited individuals and communities in the Adirondacks was presented to Mike Pratt, CEO of the NYS Olympic Regional Development Authority . Mike Pratt is being honored for his continuous efforts and unwavering dedication toward integrating educational opportunities and community service into his various initiatives.



Gala Photos of Dr. Crocker (above left) and Mike Pratt and his ORDA colleagues (above right) by Laurinda Minke

More about the API



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