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New Jersey Pinelands Commission to Host Free Moth Night at its Headquarters on October 6, 2022

Due to weather conditions, the Pinelands Commission has rescheduled its free Moth Night to this **Thursday, October 6, 2022**.

The event will be held on the grounds of [Fenwick Manor and the Richard J. Sullivan Center on 15 Springfield Road in Pemberton Township](#) from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The sites feature bog, rain and pollinator gardens that host native Pinelands plants and have attracted a wide variety of moths over the years.

The evening will begin with an indoor presentation: "Moths of Late Summer and Fall," focusing on an intriguing time of dispersals that bring moths from far-flung southerly locations while also being the annual flight times for moths that are specially adapted for life in the Pine Barrens and wetlands, including species of state special concern.



Above: A Spino flower moth (*Schinia spinosae*). Photo credit: Ann-Marie Woods.

Presenter Ann-Marie Woods, who took the moth photo above, has photographed and recorded many of the over 1,500 moth species that can be found in New Jersey, while concentrating on moths of the outer coastal plain. She will take attendees on a stunning visual tour of a vital facet of the Pinelands that many people rarely see.

After the presentation and as darkness falls, attendees will go outside. Screens and powerful lamps will be set up in various locations to draw moth species in for attendees to photograph and record. It's recommended that attendees bring cell phones and cameras, a flashlight, a

lawn chair, and their curiosity. Ms. Woods will circulate through the screened areas, providing information about moths, natural resources, and relating her experiences and stories. The moths will be identified, and a list of the species observed will be available after the event.

The Candace McKee Ashmun Pinelands Education Exhibit, which features interactive displays, Pinelands artifacts and native fish tank and terrarium, will be open during the Moth Night festivities.

For directions to the Commission's headquarters, please click [here](#).

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