



Press Release

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Wonder in the Wild Outdoor School is excited to announce that we have found a new home at Talisman Therapeutic Riding in Grasonville, MD! We are establishing our outdoor classroom in the cozy woods that runs alongside their stables and backs to Greenwood Creek. This is a great partnership that furthers the missions of both organizations.

Wonder in the Wild's goal is to "build upon a child's sense of wonder and passion for play to inspire curiosity, environmental stewardship, and community connection" and Talisman is dedicated to "transforming lives by fostering personal growth, healing, and empowerment through equine-assisted activities, and enriching outdoor experiences." The partnership between Wonder in the Wild and Talisman extends reciprocal benefits for participants of each organization's programs.

Programs incorporating nature play, child-led adventures, and environmental education are planned to start in early September. Wonder in the Wild will offer classes for preschool-aged "explorers" with their accompanying caregivers following the "Tinkergarten-curriculum," on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. School's Out Camps will be offered on days off school for explorers ages 5-12. For homeschool explorers, there will be monthly field trips to explore unique local nature areas.

The beautiful 30-acre farm of Talisman Therapeutic Riding is a peaceful setting to provide nature exploration, as well as equine-assisted services to people of all ages and all abilities including those with cognitive, physical, emotional, and social challenges, disabilities, and diagnoses. Talisman is a Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH) Member Center, as well as a recognized Maryland Horse Discovery Center. Lessons are customized to the participant and provide ample opportunity to work toward individual health and wellness goals.

Visit the websites of Wonder in the Wild (www.wonderwildoutdoorschool.org) and Talisman Therapeutic Riding (www.talismantherapeuticriding.org) to learn more about these fascinating resources in our community. Support their great work by attending each organization's upcoming events:

- September 8 Third Annual Talisman Rockfish Rodeo and Crab Feast
- October 9 Wonder in the Wild's S'mores & Stories
- December 6 Talisman Winter Sleighbell Celebration
- December 13 Wonder in the Wild's Winter Festival & Lantern Walk

We look forward to sharing our adventures with everyone and continuing to offer engaging and life-changing programs to our community!

For more information about these organizations, please contact via:

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