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## Free Fishing Day with Alan Fess at the Finger Lakes Museum

Branchport, NY – Spending time on the Finger Lakes is a wonderful summer activity, and fishing on a Finger Lake is an outdoor pursuit enjoyed by the young and old alike! If you have always wanted to try fishing or are an avid angler eager to explore a new area, the Finger Lakes Museum (FLM) has the perfect event for you.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation announced several free fishing days for 2019, with each day allowing for license-free freshwater fishing. Spanning all four seasons, the program has successfully allowed thousands of people to participate in the hobby free of charge since 1991. Created to inspire the public to get outdoors and try a new hobby, the program hopes to encourage people to continue the sport by purchasing a NYS fishing license. The Finger Lakes Museum is pleased to once again partner with NYS Licensed Guide Alan Fess to host June's free fishing day on their 16-acre wetlands property, along the bank of Sugar Creek.

The event takes place on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8am and lasting until 11am. Fishing expert Alan Fess will be alongside participants, offering tips and tricks for ultimate success. As an added bonus, get a sneak peek at the pavilion and boardwalk currently under construction on the FLM Townsend-Grady Wetlands Preserve.

This event is free of charge and all necessary equipment will be provided. For more information or to register, visit <a href="www.fingerlakesmuseum.org/events/fishing-with-alan-fess">www.fingerlakesmuseum.org/events/fishing-with-alan-fess</a>. Get out and get exploring at the Finger Lakes Museum!

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