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Hopewell Culture National Historical Park Spruce Hill: No Stone Unturned

Sunday, August 26th 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Hopewell Culture National Historical Park, in association with Highlands Nature Sanctuary, will be conducting a ranger lead interpretive walk at Spruce Hill, in Ross County, Ohio. Spruce Hill is the site of one of the largest hilltop enclosures attributed to the Hopewell culture, and is one of only three such enclosures known to use stone as its primary building material. Topics for the program will include an examination of the works, archeological research of the site, steps toward preservation, and the unique geology and natural habitats of the location.

The tour will start at the bottom of the hill and climb to the site of the two thousand year old earthworks located at the top. The climb to the top of the hill can be strenuous, and the terrain is often rough and uneven. Please come prepared with proper foot wear and clothing and plenty of drinking water. There are no restrooms at this site.

Directions: Follow Route 50 south from Chillicothe. Turn left onto Blaine
Highway and then right after a short distance onto Black Run
Road. Continue going straight to Spruce Hill Road.

The tour will meet at the parking area off Spruce Hill Road at 1:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Hopewell Culture National Historical Park at 16062 State Route 104, Chillicothe, OH 45601, or telephone (740) 774-1126.

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