



## **Trout Heritage Day/Rapidan TU Kid's Fishing Day**

**When: April 1, 2017, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM/Fishing starts at 9:00 AM**

**Where: Graves Mountain Lodge, Syria, Virginia**

The Rapidan Chapter of Trout Unlimited (TU), Graves Mountain Lodge (GML) and the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) are partnering to provide an exciting and educational day of free trout fishing just for kids on the Rose River. DGIF heavily stocks the GML section of the river with trout and reserves the river for this event. Only children 12 and under are permitted to fish and may keep up to six fish they catch. Any legal tackle may be used. For kids ages 13-18, fishing is available on a catch and release, artificial lures only basis in a stocked pond. TU volunteers will be available on the river and at the pond for assistance as needed.

In addition to trout fishing, Rapidan TU provides hands-on fly and spin casting, fly tying, and knot tying instruction and collects aquatic insects from the river for viewing and identification. Information on conservation, habitat management, stream monitoring and the annual Trout Unlimited Tri-State Conservation and Fishing Camp for kids is offered. Kid's Fishing Day is the primary event of GML's Heritage Day. Other concessions, exhibits and activities are provided by GML and DGIF. Hot food is available for purchase. There is no admission fee or requirement for any pre-registration for this event.

- Trout fishing starts at 9:00
- Fly casting and spin casting instruction starts at 10:00 beside the Sycamore Picnic Pavilion
- Fly tying and knot tying instruction starts at 10:00 inside the Sycamore Picnic Pavilion
- Aquatic insect collection and identification starts at 12:00 at streamside



**Bring your kids for a memorable day of fun and learning in the great outdoors.**

➡ Upon arrival, stop at the Sycamore Picnic Pavilion for a free gift for each child and to register for raffles to be held throughout the day.