

Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge

April 2024 Program Calendar

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Sun, Apr 7 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [43070](#)

Waterfowl have migrated North, but there are still some aquatic birds hanging out. Come and see them. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch.*

Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.

Mon, Apr 8 - Eclipse Paddle 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. [43031](#)

Take in the Total Eclipse from a canoe. Be on the water as you watch the daylight fade into darkness for a short bit. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch.* **Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.**

Mon, Apr 8 - Solar Scoping Noon - 3 p.m. [43032](#)

Join us at the Nature Center for the viewing of the Total Eclipse. We will have solar scoping available and some activities as the event starts. Solar glasses available for the first 50 customers. **NO REGISTRATION NEEDED, FIRST COME-FIRST SERVED.** *Meet at the Refuge Service Center.* **FREE (with paid admission).**

Sat, Apr 13 - Canoe Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [43064](#)

Take a leisurely paddle along the river and enjoy the scenery. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch.* **Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.**

Sun, Apr 21 - Canoe Fest 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

This is not a come and go, but a come and paddle event. Try out a canoe and test the waters along the Trinity River. *No registration required. First Come, First Served.* **\$5 (with paid admission). CASH ONLY**

Mon, Apr 22 - Earth Day Wildflower Hike 10 - 11 a.m. [43128](#)

In commemoration of Earth Day, explore native flowers up close. Learn how these beauties attract pollinators with their unique shapes, colors, and nectar sources.

Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.

Tue, Apr 23 - Full Moon Paddle 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. [43067](#)

In some cultures, the April Full Moon is referred to as the fish moon. Paddle with us and learn about the variety of fish. *All equipment is provided. Please arrive by 7:15 p.m. Meet at Back Gate. [8670 Shoreline Drive, FW 76135](#).* **Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.**

Thu, Apr 25 - Refuge After Hours 8 - 9:30 p.m. [43102](#)

Join us on a crisp evening hike at the Refuge and immerse yourself in the sounds of the nocturnal wildlife near the Trinity River. *Meet at the Front Gate.* **Pre-registration required. \$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.**

Fri, Apr 26 - Audubon Arbor Day Hike 10 - 11:30 a.m. [43129](#)

Why not make the most of Arbor Day and Audubon Day by embarking on a hike that celebrates both? Explore the diverse tree species and the birds that visit them.

Pre-registration required. \$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.

Sat, Apr 27 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [43071](#)

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Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.

Mon, Apr 29 - Coffee w/Kenny 9 - 10 a.m. [43100](#)

Come and have a cup of coffee with us and learn about how to make your own native bee homes for your backyard. *Coffee is provided.* **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**



Early Birds

8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

As birds are migrating, this may be a good time to see a species you have never seen before.

Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.

| Apr 1 | Apr 15 |
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Nature Hikes

10 - 11:30 a.m.

Spring is here. Hike with us to see all the new plant-life. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

| Apr 3 | Apr 6 | Apr 10 | Apr 14 |
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| 43105 | 43106 | 43107 | 43108 |
| Apr 17 | Apr 24 | Apr 28 | |
| 43109 | 43110 | 43111 | |



Yoga Outdoors

9 - 10 a.m.

Join us for a relaxing introductory Yoga session outdoors. No previous yoga experience required.

Pre-registration required. Meet at Viewing Deck Parking Lot. Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.

| Apr 5 | Apr 12 | Apr 19 | Apr 26 |
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| 43081 | 43082 | 43083 | 43084 |



Pre-School Discovery Club

10 - 11 a.m.

Bring your 3 - 5 year old children for a lesson about our natural world through a story, lesson, hike, and craft. This month, we will discover

Frogs. **Pre-registration required.**

\$8 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.

| Apr 12 | Apr 19 |
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| 43094 | 43095 |



Animal Presentations



Paddling



Guided Hikes



Food Trucks

Nature Con
Saturday, April 20, 2024
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.



Arts & Crafts



Education Booths



...and Hayrides

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May 2024 Program Calendar

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Sun, May 5 - Canoe Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [43065](#)

As the days get longer and warmer, reptiles are emerging. Paddle with us and search for basking turtles and even alligators. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

Sat, May 11 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [43072](#)

Kayaks ride differently than canoes. Come and try one out and paddle with us along the river. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch.*

Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.

Sun, May 19 - Canoe Fest 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

This is not a come and go, but a come and paddle event. Try out a canoe and test the waters along the Trinity River. *No registration required. First Come, First Served. \$5 (with paid admission). CASH ONLY*

Mon, May 20 - Small & Mighty Bees 10 - 11 a.m. [43130](#)

Pollinators play an critical role in ensuring food security and conserving biodiversity. Join us as we learn about one of the most efficient pollinators on World Bee Day.

Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.

Tue, May 21 - Full Moon Paddle 8 - 10 p.m. [43068](#)

Paddle with us under the light of the moon and listen for the sounds of the evening. *All equipment is provided. Please arrive by 7:45 p.m. Meet at Back Gate. [8670 Shoreline Drive, FW 76135](#).*

Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.

Fri, May 24 - Butterflies of the Refuge 10 - 11 a.m. [43131](#)

Come and join us as we hike to explore the trails in search of fluttering butterflies. We will seek them in their developmental stages, such as caterpillars or stunning butterflies. Learn about their preferred habitats, host plants, and nectar sources.

Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.

Mon, May 27 - Bison Feeding Hayrides 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.

Ride along on a hayride and learn about the Nature Center and have the opportunity to assist staff feeding the bison. *Under 3, FREE, but must sit on parent's lap. Pre-*

registration required. \$16 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$10.

Thu, May 30 - Refuge After Hours 8 - 9:30 p.m. [43103](#)

Explore the trails under different lighting conditions to catch glimpses of wildlife eyeshine. You will learn about the remarkable ability of nocturnal wildlife to see with less light. *Meet at the Front Gate. Pre-registration required. \$10 (with paid ad-*

mission)/MEMBERS \$5.

Fri, May 31 - Discovering Dip-netting 10 - 11 a.m. [43137](#)

Join staff members armed with dip nets to catch and release macroinvertebrates. Learn about the variety of species found in the river as well as what that means for

water quality. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$FREE.**



Nature Hikes

10 - 11:30 a.m.

Wildflowers are decorating the Refuge. Join us for a walk and learn about wildflowers.

Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.

| May 1 | May 4 | May 8 | May 12 |
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| 43112 | 43113 | 43114 | 43115 |
| May 15 | May 18 | May 22 | May 29 |
| 43116 | 43117 | 43118 | 43119 |



Yoga Outdoors

8 - 9 a.m.

Join us for a relaxing introductory Yoga session outdoors. No previous yoga experience required.

Pre-registration required. Meet at the Marty Leonard Lotus Marsh Boardwalk. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

| May 3 | May 10 | May 24 | May 31 |
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| 43085 | 43086 | 43088 | 43089 |



Early Birds

7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

The summer birds have arrived. Walk with us to see a variety of buntings. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

| May 6 | May 13 |
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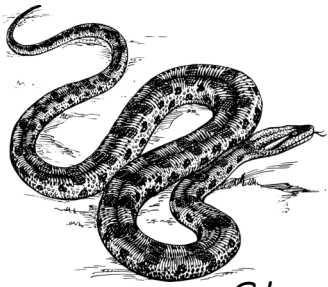
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NEW SUMMER HOURS!!!

7 a.m. - 5 p.m. Daily

Memorial Day Weekend

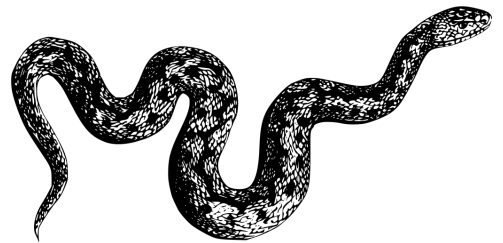
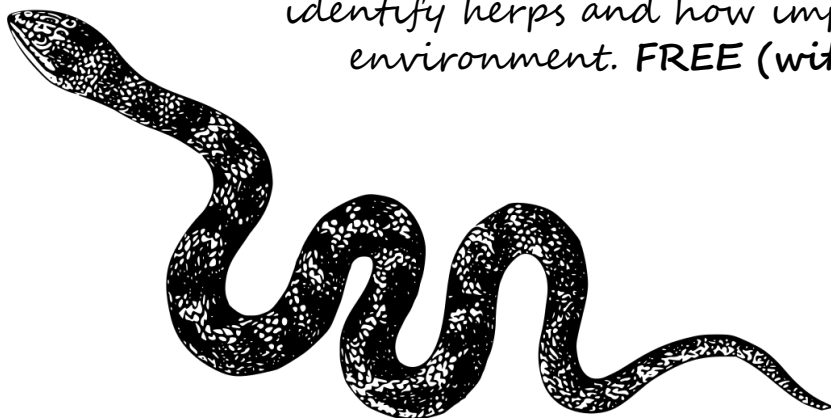


Snakes of Tarrant County

Saturday, May 25 - Monday, May 27

10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Daily at Visitors' Center

Stop in at the Visitors' Center and view snakes found from our area. Members of the DFW Herp Society will provide you with useful information on how to identify herps and how important they are to our environment. **FREE** (with paid admission).



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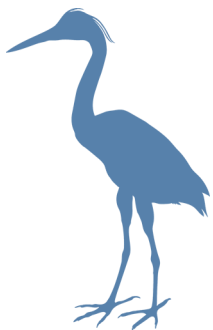
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Sun, Jun 2 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. [43073](#)

Join us and look for wildlife along the water's edge. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

Mon, Jun 3 - Literacy Days w/ Fort Worth Library 10 & 11 a.m.

The Nature Center and Fort Worth Public Library (FWPL) are partnering together for the 3rd summer of Literacy Days w/ the FWPL. Library staff will lead children with stories & crafts about nature and we will lead hikes. Present your FWPL card and gain FREE admission for the program. No FREE admission will be granted after Noon. **FREE.**

Sat, Jun 8 - Canoe Tour 9 - 11 a.m. [43066](#)

Paddle the West Fork of the Trinity River and search for herons and egrets. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

Sun, Jun 16 - Canoe Fest 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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Mon, Jun 17 - Basking Turtles 10 - 11 a.m. [43138](#)

We often observe turtles basking in the sun on the shores of rivers, streams, and ponds. Join us as we observe and learn about the various common basking turtles of the Trinity River. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

Thu, Jun 20 - Full Moon Paddle 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. [43069](#)

Today is the first day of summer. Paddle with us and listen for the calls of frogs and other aquatic wildlife. *All equipment is provided. Please arrive by 8:15 p.m. Meet at Back Gate. [8670 Shoreline Drive, FW 76135](#). Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

Fri, Jun 21 - Macroinvertebrate Matchup 10 - 11 a.m. [43139](#)

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Sat, Jun 22 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. [43074](#)

Join us and look for wildlife along the water's edge. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

Mon, Jun 24 - Coffee w/Kenny 9 - 10 a.m. [43101](#)

Come and have a cup of coffee with us while we bird on the boardwalk. *Coffee is provided. Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.*

Thu, Jun 27 - Refuge After Hours 8:30 - 10 p.m. [43104](#)

As the sun sets below the horizon, the world of moths comes to life. Come join us on a hike as we explore and search for this diverse group of lepidopterans. Our journey will conclude at a mothing station, where we will observe numerous species of local moths. *Meet at the Front Gate. Pre-registration required. \$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.*

Fri, Jun 28 - Hardcore Hiking 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. [43140](#)

Join us on this shady trail on a 6 mile hike along the Canyon Ridge Trail. Plan accordingly by wearing appropriate clothing and footwear. Bring at least a half gallon of water per person and light snacks. **Pre-registration recommended. \$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.**



Nature Hikes 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Get an early start to your day and enjoy nature under the shade of towering trees. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

| Jun 1 | Jun 5 | Jun 9 | Jun 12 |
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| 43120 | 43121 | 43122 | 43123 |
| Jun 15 | Jun 19 | Jun 23 | Jun 26 |
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Early Birds 7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Avoid the heat and check out the summer birds trying to do the same. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

| Jun 3 | Jun 10 |
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Summer Natural History Adventures

June 4 - 7, 2024 (Kinder/1st) - [Naturalist in Training](#)

June 11 - 14, 2024 (2nd/3rd) - [Amazing Adaptations](#)

June 18 - 21, 2024 (4th/5th) - [Biomimicry](#)

July 2 - 5, 2024 (Kinder/1st) - [Paws and Claws](#)

July 9 - 12, 2024 (2nd/3rd) - [Nature's Food Webs](#)

July 16 - 19, 2024 (4th/5th) - [Wildlife Caretakers](#)

Cost is \$180/\$160 MEMBERS

Early Bird Rate: 160/\$140 MEMBERS by May 1, 2024

Camps are 9 a.m.—3 p.m. daily

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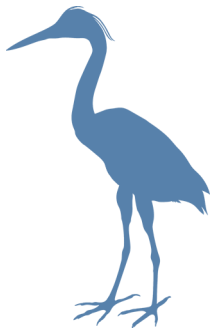
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