

# Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge

## January 2025 Program Calendar

Register for programs at [apm.activecommunities.com/cityoffortworth](http://apm.activecommunities.com/cityoffortworth)

Use the activity number listed to search and register for specific programs online. **General admission is not included in cost of program.**

### Wed, Jan 1 - First Day Hike 10 - 11:30 a.m. [45647](#)

Join us for the 1st Hike of the year. Join a naturalist and discuss what is in season.

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

### Sat, Jan 4 - Canoe Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45643](#)

The leafless trees expose a variety of birds. Paddle with us and see which species are visible. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch.*

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

### Mon, Jan 6 - Early Birds 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. [45645](#)

Kinglets, towhees and sparrows can be found spending winter on the Refuge. Join us for a bird walk to spot them by sight and sound. **Pre-registration required.**

**\$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

### Wed, Jan 8 - Bison Pasture Hike 10 - 11 a.m. [45641](#)

While the bison are off view, explore one of their pastures with us. This is an excellent opportunity to hike off the trail to view bison trails, check out wallowing sites, and observe the impacts they have on the land. **Pre-registration required.**

**\$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

### Sat, Jan 11 - Moonlight Paddle 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. [45651](#)

January's Full Moon is called the Wolf Moon. We do not have wolves, but we have coyotes. Come and learn more about this mammal and maybe we will hear them howling. All equipment is provided. *Please arrive by 5:15 p.m. Meet at Canoe Launch. [8670 Shoreline Drive, FW 76135](#)* **Pre-registration required.**

### Sun, Jan 12 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45648](#)

Come kayaking in the quiet waters of the Trinity. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch.* **Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.**

### Mon, Jan 13 - Edible Plants 10 - 11 a.m. [45644](#)

Join us for a hike, and learn about the edible plants found within Refuge.

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

### Wed, Jan 15 - Prairie Walk 10 - 11 a.m. [45652](#)

Walk through the prairie and learn about life on the prairie during the winter months. We will share with you how we manage this important ecosystem. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

### Fri, Jan 17 - Animal Meet & Greet - Texas Tortoise (10 a.m. [45638](#)) ( 1 p.m. [45673](#))

Come and meet some of our wildlife ambassadors we take care of and use for educational programs. This week, get up and personal with our Texas tortoise.

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

### Sun, Jan 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.**

### Wed, Jan 22 - Sedulous Squirrels 10 - 11 a.m. [45664](#)

In observance of Squirrel Appreciation Day, come and view the handiwork of our nature's bushy tail gardeners. See how these forest rodents play a critical role in the growth of their environment. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

### Fri, Jan 24 - Animal Meet & Greet - Box turtles 10 a.m. - 45803 1 p.m. - [45804](#)

Come and meet some of our wildlife ambassadors we take care of and use for educational programs. This week, get up and personal with our Box turtles.

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



### Yoga Outdoors 9 - 10 a.m.

Join us for a relaxing introductory Yoga session outdoors. No previous yoga experience required. Meet at Marty Leonard Lotus Marsh Boardwalk.

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Jan 3	Jan 10	Jan 17	Jan 24	Jan 31
<a href="#">45666</a>	<a href="#">45667</a>	<a href="#">45668</a>	<a href="#">45669</a>	<a href="#">45670</a>



### 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 Animal Tracks. **Pre-registration required. \$8 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.**

Jan 3	Jan 10
<a href="#">45661</a>	<a href="#">445662</a>



### Nature Hikes 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Most people can identify trees with leaves. Join a naturalist and try to identify them without leaves. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

Jan 5	Jan 7	Jan 11	Jan 14
<a href="#">45653</a>	<a href="#">45654</a>	<a href="#">45655</a>	<a href="#">45656</a>
Jan 18	Jan 21	Jan 26	Jan 28
<a href="#">45657</a>	<a href="#">45658</a>	<a href="#">45659</a>	<a href="#">45660</a>



Sat, Jan 25 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45650](#)

What did the landscape at the Refuge look like the last time you paddled. Come see for yourself in a kayak. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

Mon, Jan 27 - Early Birds 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. [45646](#)

Kinglets, towhees and sparrows can be found spending winter on the Refuge. Join us for a bird walk to spot them by sight and sound. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

Wed, Jan 29 - Weather Watchers 10 - 11 a.m. [45665](#)

Get your first look into storm watching and preparing for the drastic changes in weather. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

Thu, Jan 30 - Refuge After Hours 6 - 7:30 p.m. [45663](#)

Sounds are heard all around the Refuge at night. Join us and listen for the different sounds. *Meet at the Front Gate. Pre-registration required. \$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.*

Fri, Jan 31 - Animal Meet & Greet - Aquatic turtles 10 a.m. - [45640](#) 1 p.m. - [45674](#)

Come and meet some of our wildlife ambassadors we take care of and use for educational programs. This week, get up and personal with our Aquatic turtles. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

# Hands & Hearts Volunteer Recognition

## April 2025

### TBD

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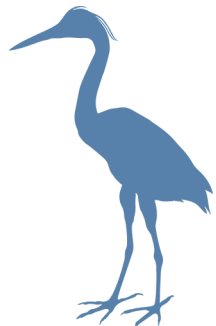
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Visitors' Center	9 am - 4:30 pm	Daily

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### Admission

Adults (13-64)	\$6
Children (3-12)	\$2
Children under 3	FREE
Seniors (65+)	\$3
Dogs	\$1
Dogs (FONC)	FREE



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# Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge

## February 2025 Program Calendar

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**Sun, Feb 2 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45688](#)**

What forms of wildlife will you find basking in the sun. Paddle with us and find out. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

**Mon, Feb 3 - Prairie Dog Day 10 - 11 a.m. [45683](#)**

There is a groundhog up north the locals try to forecast weather based on his shadow. Our prairie dogs do not quite predict the weather here, but their presence does great things for our land. Join us for a visit with the prairie dogs and learn how important they are to the Refuge. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Wed, Feb 5 - Drilling and Drumming 10 - 11 a.m. [45679](#)**

You might mistake the drilling and drumming sounds in the forest for construction, but they are actually made by woodpeckers. Join us to explore their natural history, unique drilling abilities, and the various species found in the area. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Sat, Feb 8 - Canoe Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45681](#)**

Join us as we share with you why the river is very important to us and wildlife. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

**Mon, Feb 10 - Early Birds 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. [45684](#)**

This is the last month you will probably see winter birds on the Refuge. Soon, they will work their way up North. Join us and see what species of birds we can see and hear. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Wed, Feb 12 - Superb Owl 10 - 11 a.m. [45682](#)**

The Super Bowl event is now complete, but we offer up the Superb Owl event. Join us and learn about the life of owls. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Wed Feb 12 - Moonlight Paddle 6 – 8 p.m. [45691](#)**

The name of the February Full Moon is the Snow Moon. With our recent history, we can name if the Ice Moon. Paddle with us and learn about how wildlife adapt to the cooler temperatures. *All equipment is provided. Please arrive by 5:45 p.m. Meet at Back Gate. [8670 Shoreline Drive, FW 76135](#). Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

**Sun, Feb 16 - 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, Feb 17 - Hardcore Hiking 9 a.m. - Noon [45685](#)**

Hike with us on this heart pumping adventure enjoying the ups and downs of Canyon Ridge Trail. NOTE: This is not an interpretive walk. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Wed, Feb 19 - For the Love of Birds 10 - 11 a.m. [45687](#)**

Join us in birdwatching the winter migratory birds at the visitor center courtyard, and create a bird-inspired painted rock to display your appreciation for our local backyard birds. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Fri, Feb 21 - Animal Meet & Greet - Snakes (10 a.m. [45677](#)) (1 p.m. [45707](#))**

Come and meet some of our wildlife ambassadors we take care of and use for educational programs. This week, get up and personal with our snakes. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**



**Nature Hikes  
10 - 11:30 a.m.**

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Feb 1	Feb 4	Feb 9	Feb 11
<a href="#">45692</a>	<a href="#">45693</a>	<a href="#">45694</a>	<a href="#">45695</a>
Feb 15	Feb 18	Feb 23	Feb 25
<a href="#">45696</a>	<a href="#">45697</a>	<a href="#">45698</a>	<a href="#">45699</a>



**Yoga Outdoors  
9 - 10 a.m.**

Join us for a relaxing introductory Yoga session outdoors. No previous yoga experience required. Meet at Marty Leonard Lotus Marsh Boardwalk. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28
<a href="#">45703</a>	<a href="#">45704</a>	<a href="#">45705</a>	<a href="#">45706</a>



**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 the water cycle. **Pre-registration required. \$8 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.**

Feb 7	Feb 14
<a href="#">45700</a>	<a href="#">45701</a>

Sat, Feb 22 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45689](#)

What forms of wildlife will you find basking in the sun. Paddle with us and find out. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch.*

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Mon, Feb 24 - Early Birds 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. [45686](#)

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Wed, Feb 26 - Invasive Species 10 a.m. - Noon [45690](#)

This week is Invasive Species Week. Join us as we learn about how destructive they are, how to identify local species, and join us getting rid of some. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

Thu, Feb 27 - Refuge After Hours 6:30 - 8 p.m. [45702](#)

Hike with a naturalist and appreciate the Refuge in the dark. *Meet at the Front Gate.* **Pre-registration required. \$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.**

Fri, Feb 28 - Animal Meet & Greet - American Alligators (10 a.m. [45678](#)) ( 1 p.m. [45714](#))

Come and meet some of our wildlife ambassadors we take care of and use for educational programs. This week, get up and personal with our American alligator. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

# Nature Con

April 26, 2025  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.,  
Save the Date

## Volunteer at the Nature Center

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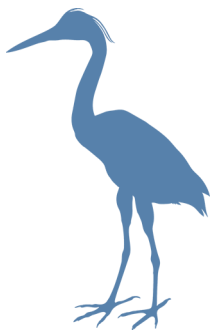
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### Sun, Mar 2 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45730](#)

Come kayaking in the quiet waters of the Trinity. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

### Mon, Mar 3 - Canoe Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45722](#)

The landscape looks different on the water; especially from winter to spring. Paddle with us and take in the scenery. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

### Wed, Mar 5 - Tree Detectives 10 - 11:30 a.m. [45719](#)

Trees are beginning to leaf up. Before they do, learn how to identify trees without leaves. We will examine their shapes, bark, and twigs. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

### Sat, Mar 8 - Canoe Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45723](#)

The landscape looks different on the water; especially from winter to spring. Paddle with us and take in the scenery. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

### Mon, Mar 10 - Early Birds 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. [45726](#)

Will we have the opportunity to say a temporary goodbye to winter birds or welcome spring birds. Join us and find out. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

### Wed, Mar 12 - Native Gardens 10 a.m. - Noon [45725](#)

Spring means it is time to show off your green thumb and start those gardens. Join a naturalist and learn about planting native. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

### Fri, Mar 14 - Moonlight Paddle 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. [45732](#)

As you head into the weekend, paddle with us this evening and listen for the sounds of night. *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.*

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### Mon, Mar 17 - Hardcore Hiking 9 a.m. - Noon [45729](#)

Hike with us on this heart pumping adventure enjoying the ups and downs of Canyon Ridge Trail. NOTE: This is not an interpretive walk. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**



### Bison Feeding Hayrides

Ride along on a hayride and learn about the Nature Center and have the opportunity to assist staff feeding the bison. **Pre-registration required. Under 3, FREE, but must sit on parent's lap. \$16 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$10.**

**March 19**

**March 20**

**March 21**

10 a.m.	1 p.m.	10 a.m.	1 p.m.	10 a.m.	1 p.m.
<a href="#">45717</a>	<a href="#">45718</a>	<a href="#">45750</a>	<a href="#">45752</a>	<a href="#">45751</a>	<a href="#">45753</a>



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Mar 1	Mar 4	Mar 9
<a href="#">45733</a>	<a href="#">45734</a>	<a href="#">45735</a>
Mar 11	Mar 15	Mar 18
<a href="#">45736</a>	<a href="#">45737</a>	<a href="#">45738</a>
Mar 23	Mar 25	Mar 29
<a href="#">45739</a>	<a href="#">45740</a>	<a href="#">45741</a>



### Yoga Outdoors 9 - 10 a.m.

Join us for a relaxing introductory Yoga session outdoors. No previous yoga experience required. Meet at Marty Leonard Lotus Marsh Boardwalk. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21	Mar 28
<a href="#">45746</a>	<a href="#">45747</a>	<a href="#">45748</a>	<a href="#">45749</a>



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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 winter wildlife. **Pre-registration required. \$8 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.**

Mar 7	Mar 14
<a href="#">45742</a>	<a href="#">45743</a>

**Sat, Mar 22 - Canoe Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45724](#)**

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**Mon, Mar 24 - Early Birds 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. [45727](#)**

Will we have the opportunity to say a temporary goodbye to winter birds or welcome spring birds. Join us and find out. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Wed, Mar 26 - Gardening with Bees 10 - 11 a.m. [45728](#)**

Native bees are crucial pollinators for native plants. Learn which plants to grow and how to provide housing for these declining pollinators. Your efforts will enhance your garden and benefit these buzzing insects. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Thu, Mar 27 - Refuge After Hours 7:30 - 9 p.m. [45744](#)**

Enjoy the sights of the forest at night. Learn about the nocturnal wildlife that emerges after hours. *Meet at the Front Gate. Pre-registration required. \$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$5.*

**Fri, Mar 28 - Animal Meet & Greet - Tarantula (10 a.m. [45716](#)) ( 1 p.m. [45809](#))**

Come and meet some of our wildlife ambassadors we take care of and use for educational programs. This week, get up and personal with our Tarantula. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

**Sun, Mar 30 - Kayak Tour 10 a.m. - Noon [45731](#)**

Come kayaking in the quiet waters of the Trinity. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch. Pre-registration required. \$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS \$15.*

**Mon, Mar 31 - Dip Netting 10 - 11 a.m. [45745](#)**

Spring time under the water has changes too. Join us and find out which macroinvertebrates are swimming around. Join us as we dip net for a variety of aquatic insects. **Pre-registration required. \$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE.**

# Spring Break Canoe Fest

March 18, 2025  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Canoe Launch

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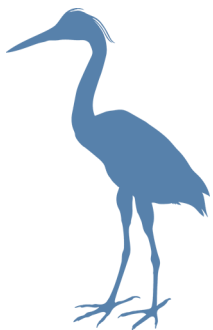
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