Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge

July 2025 Program Calendar

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Mon - Jul 1- Literacy Day : Invertebrates 9:30 & 11 a.m.
The Nature Center and Fort Worth Public Library (FWPL) are partnering together for the 4th summer of Literacy Days. 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.***

Sat, Jul 5 - Canoe Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47812
Summer time means basking time on the water. Paddle with us and see who needs the heat. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required**. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Thu, Jul 10 – Moonlight Paddle 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. 47815
July's Full Moon is known as the Buck Moon. Perhaps the light will reveal deer near the shore taking in a drink from the hot day. All equipment is provided. *Please arrive by 8:15 p.m. Meet at Canoe Launch. 8670 Shoreline Drive, FW 76135.*
Pre-registration required. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Sun, Jul 13 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47813
Get an early start to the day on the water and beat the heat. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required. $20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Fri, Jul 18 - Wilderness Skills for Kids 9 - 11 a.m. 47835
Not all who wander are lost, but for those that are, they have the skills to thrive after attending this program. Learn outdoor safety skills to keep calm in the great outdoors. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sun, Jul 20 - Canoe Fest - 9 a.m. - 1 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**.

Thu, Jul 24 - Refuge After Hours 9 - 10:30 p.m. 47818
This week is Moth Week. Join us for a hike listening and looking for insects and then meet with Master Naturalist and see the diversity of moths found while we were hiking. *Meet at the Front Gate*. **Pre-registration required**. **$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $5**.

Fri, Jul 25 - Riveting Rivers 9 - 10 a.m. 47836
Dip your toes into the water of wetland education. Discover the plants and animals that call the Trinity River their home with dip netting and more. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sat, Jul 26 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47814
Get an early start to the day on the water and beat the heat. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required. $20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Beat the Summer Heat

- ⇒ Hike Early - The Nature Center opens at 7 a.m. in the Summer
- ⇒ Hike in the Shade - Let the trees shield you from the heat
- ⇒ Water, Water, Water - Bring plenty of water
- ⇒ Light Colors - Dress in light colors and wear loose clothing
- ⇒ Sunscreen - Wear sunscreen and reapply as necessary
- ⇒ Hat - Cover your head with a hat



Nature Hikes
9 - 10:30 a.m.

Come celebrate the "land of the free" by joining us on an early hike to enjoy whatever wild plants & animals we find. ***Pre-registration required***. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Jul 2	Jul 6	Jul 9	Jul 12
47827	47828	47829	47830
Jul 16	**Jul 19**	**Jul 23**	**Jul 30**
47831	47832	47833	47834



Yoga Outdoors
8 - 9 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**.

Jul 4	Jul 11	Jul 18	Jul 25
47819	47820	47821	47822



Pre-School Discovery Club
9:30 - 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 learn about wetlands. **Pre-registration required. $8 (with paid admission)/ MEMBERS $5**.

Jul 4	Jul 11
47816	47817



Early Birds
7:30 – 9:30 a.m.

The early birds gets the worm. What does the early birder get? Birds of course. Join us as we beat the heat and bird the Refuge. ***Pre-registration required***. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Jul 14	Jul 21	Jul 27	Jul 28
47823	47824	47825	47826

CAMP

Summer Natural History Adventures

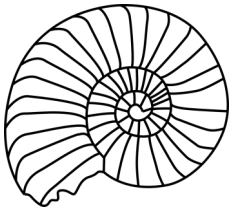
July 8 – 11, 2024 (4th/5th) – Wildlife Suits of Armor
July 15 – 18, 2024 (2nd/3rd) – River Reptiles
July 22 – 25, 2024 (Kinder/1st) – Blast from the Past

Cost is $200/$180 MEMBERS

Camps are 9 a.m.—3 p.m. daily







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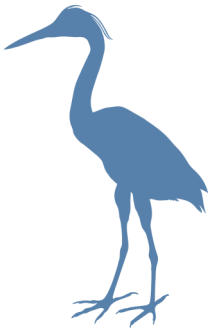
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Admission

Adults (13-64)	***$6***
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Seniors (65+)	***$3***
Dogs	***$1***
Dogs (FONC)	***FREE***



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August 2025 Program Calendar

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Sat, Aug 2 - Canoe Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47838
Wetlands are filled with a variety of wildlife. Come learn about the common species. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required**. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Mon - Aug 4 - Literacy Day : Alligators 9:30 & 11 a.m.
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Sat, Aug 9 - Moonlight Paddle 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. 47842
The August Full Moon is known as the Sturgeon Full Moon. We may not have sturgeon, but we have other fish we can share about. *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**.

Sun, Aug 10 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47840
What forms of wildlife will be lining the river's edge. Paddle with us and find out. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*.
Pre-registration required. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Fri, Aug 15 - Wilderness Skills for Kids 9 - 11 a.m. 47863
Not all who wander are lost, but for those that are, they have the skills to thrive after attending this program. Learn outdoor safety skills to keep calm in the great outdoors. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sun, Aug 17- Canoe Fest 9 a.m. - 1 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**

Fri, Aug 22 - Wonderful Wetlands 9 - 10 a.m. 47864
Join a naturalist at the Boardwalk to learn about the intricacy of our native wetland ecosystems and how we all play a role in protecting these beautiful spaces.
Pre-registration required. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sat, Aug 23 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47841
What forms of wildlife will be lining the river's edge. Paddle with us and find out. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required**. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Thu, Aug 28 - Refuge After Hours 8:30 - 10 p.m. 47845
Enjoy the Refuge after hours listening to nocturnal wildlife. *Meet at the Front Gate*.
Pre-registration required. **$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $5**.

Fri, Aug 29 - Air-conditioned Naturalist 9 - 10 a.m. 47865
Stay cool during the summer heat with an indoor program! Discover the smallest pieces of a plant and seed through dissection with a naturalist. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sat, Aug 30 - Canoe Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47839
Wetlands are filled with a variety of wildlife. Come learn about the common species. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required**. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.



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Aug 1	Aug 8	Aug 15	Aug 22	Aug 29
47846	47847	47848	47849	47850



Pre-School Discovery Club
9:30 - 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 learn about prairie dogs. **Pre-registration required. $8 (with paid admission)/ MEMBERS $5**.

Aug 1	Aug 8
47843	47844



Nature Hikes
9 - 10:30 a.m.

Come and explore the shady parts of the Refuge and avoid that August sun. ***Pre-registration required***. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Aug 3	Aug 6	Aug 9	Aug 13
47855	47856	47857	47858
Aug 16	**Aug 20**	**Aug 27**	**Aug 31**
47859	47860	47861	47862



Early Birds
7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

This month is the start for migrants to start heading South. Join us as we get our last views of buntings and other birds. ***Pre-registration required***. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 24	Aug 25
47851	47852	47853	47854

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New Amenity for FONC Members



Perks for Membership

Stop by the Hardwicke Interpretive Center and check out a Nature Backpack; filled with activities and tools to allow you to enhance your visit. They are great for families with youth 16 and under; as well as the children at heart. Backpacks are first-come, first-serve and designed for half day usage at the most. Please keep track of all items as you are exploring. More themed backpacks are in the works.

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September 2025 Program Calendar

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Wed, Sep 3 - National Wildlife Day 9 - 10:30 a.m. 47891
Tomorrow is National Wildlife Day. Join us as we highlight & find some of the unique wildlife that calls our Nature Center home. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sat, Sep 6 - Moonlight Paddle 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. 47870
Paddle with us after hours and experience the river under the stars. *All equipment is provided. Please arrive by 7:15 PM p.m. Meet at Back Gate, 8670 Shoreline Drive, FW 76135*. **Pre-registration required**. **$20 (with paid admission)/ MEMBERS $15**.

Sun, Sep 7 - Canoe Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47867
Enjoy the quite waters of the Trinity River and enjoy a peaceful morning on the water. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required**. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Wed, Sep 10 - Vulture Venture 9 - 10 a.m. 47892
Discover how vultures help keep our environment clean while discussing their Incredible adaptations on a short guided hike. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sun, Sep 14 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47868
Herons and egrets can be found along the water's edge fishing. Join us and let us see what they caught. *All equipment is provided. Meet at the Canoe Launch*. **Pre-registration required**. **$20 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $15**.

Wed, Sep 17 - Going to Seed 9 - 10 a.m. 47893
Join us to learn how to collect, prepare, and store the seeds of native plants. See how plants begin to change and prepare for autumn. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Fri, Sep 19 - Got Milkweed? 9 - 10 a.m. 47894
They are an iconic pairing, like peanut butter and jelly! Explore the special relationship between monarch butterflies and our native milkweed species during the fall migration. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS FREE**.

Sun, Sep 21 - Canoe Fest 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
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Wed, Sep 24 - National Lands Day 9 - 10:30 a.m. 47895
This coming Saturday is National Lands Day. Get in the spirit early by joining us in learning about the unique & precious ecosystems available at the Nature Center for everyone to enjoy. **Pre-registration required**. **$5 (with paid admission)/ MEMBERS FREE**.

Thu, Sep 25- Refuge After Hours 7:30 - 9 p.m. 47873
Come and search for wildlife just starting their "day." *Meet at the Front Gate*. **Pre-registration required**. **$10 (with paid admission)/MEMBERS $5**.

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Sat, Sep 27 - Kayak Tour 9 - 11 a.m. 47869
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Nature Hikes
9 - 10:30 a.m.

Explore the woodlands and learn about the towering trees and what crawls under the leaf litter. ***Pre-registration required***. **$5 (with paid admission)/ MEMBERS FREE**.

Sep 2	Sep 6	Sep 9	Sep 13
47883	47884	47885	47886
Sep 16	**Sep 20**	**Sep 23**	**Sep 30**
47887	47888	47889	47890



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Sep 5	Sep 12	Sep 19	Sep 26
47874	47875	47876	47877



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Sep 5	Sep 12
47871	47872



Early Birds
7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

What is coming and going in the avian community. Walk with us to see and hear for yourself. Join us as we get our last views of summer birds. **Pre-registration required. $5 (with paid admission)/ MEMBERS FREE**.

Sep 8	Sep 15	Sep 22
47878	47879	47880
Sep 28	**Sep 29**	
47881	47882	

Special Programs and Events



Bison Feeding Hayride

Sept 1, 2025

Ride along on a hayride and learn about the Nature Center and have the opportunity to assist staff feeding the bison. **Pre-registration required. $16 (with paid admission)/ MEMBERS $10**.

9 AM	11:30 AM
48021	48022



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TRAILS AND TREATS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2025

STROLL THE TREATS TRAIL

EXHIBITS



HAYRIDES

ARTS & CRAFTS

GAMES



COSTUME CONTEST

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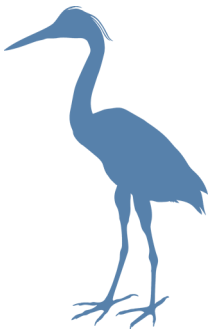
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