

Summer Schedule  
2025



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Warner Park Nature Center is open  
Tuesday - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Percy and Edwin Warner Parks are open  
7 days a week from sunrise to 11 p.m.

Hello  
Summer!



SAVE THE DATE

**HUMMINGBIRD  
CELEBRATION**  
September 13  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Contact the  
Nature  
Center for ADA  
accommodations

Program	Date/Time	Registration	Information
<b>June</b>			
<b>Art in the Park</b>	Saturday, June 7 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Drop by the Warner Park Nature Center for a day of arts and crafts! Open to all ages, there will be a variety of artistic activities, including painting, sketching, stamping, and more! Leaders: Jenna Atma, Elyse Dilks, and other Nature Center Staff
<b>Nashville Purple Martin Webinar</b>	Wednesday, June 11 5:30 - 6:45 p.m.	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Registration opens June 6	Join us for a fascinating evening about our beloved Nashville Purple Martins. Joe Siegrist from the Purple Martin Conservation Association will discuss Purple Martin Life history. William DeMott from University of Oklahoma will help us understand the Nashville migration roost using radar analysis. Jessa Tremblay with Nashville Metro Parks will show us how to get involved to locate the roost and help with public outreach. Leader: Laura Cook
<b>Full Moon Pickin' Party</b>	Friday, June 13 6 - 10 p.m.	Age level: All ages Purchase tickets at <a href="http://warnerparks.org">warnerparks.org</a>	This unique, bluegrass music series is one of Nashville's most popular outdoor events, attracting families, friends, and dog lovers from all over to hear local musicians play together under the full moon, in one of Nashville's most picturesque settings: Percy Warner Park Equestrian Center. Join us for a night of traditional bluegrass music and dinner from local food trucks. Coordinators: Friends of Warner Parks
<b>The Great Bird Sky Show</b>	Saturday, June 14 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Get ready for a high-flying adventure as we explore some of nature's most amazing birds! From graceful swallows to cheerful bluebirds and buzzing hummingbirds, these tiny sky performers put on a show like no other. Drop-in style program! Leaders: Nature Center Staff
<b>Native Nature Share: A Seasonal Show-n-Tell for Grownups</b>	Saturday, June 21 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Registration now open	Bring in a June natural wonder to share with fellow backyard naturalists. What kind of wonder? Anything native and fascinating, such as a leaf, plant, seed, fruit, bug, bone, rock, or fossil. "Native Nature Share" is an opportunity to learn from each other about our local habitats and to build community in an informal, supportive gathering. Leaders: Vera Roberts and Joanna Brichetto
<b>Summer Solstice Fairy Houses</b>	Saturday, June 21 10 - 11:30 a.m.	Age level: All ages Registration opens June 6	Capture the magic of the summer solstice with a short walk through the forest, where we will gather fallen leaves, acorn caps, mossy twigs and other natural items to create a fairy house village. Leaders: Kayleigh Winston and Nature Center Staff

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<b>The No-Mow Lawn: Transform Your Lawn into a Thriving Habitat</b>	Tuesday, June 24 6 p.m.	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Registration now open	Turn your turf lawn time-and-money-vampire into an ecosystem-supporting-machine! Join Ivan from Habitat Landscapes to discuss the most effective ways to stop mowing with a plan to grow an ecosystem with Metro Nashville Guidelines for no-mow lawns. Leader: Ivan Chester, Habitat Landscapes
<b>Vol Call: Creek Clean-Up</b>	Saturday, June 28 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Register at <a href="http://warnerparks.org">warnerparks.org</a>	Put on your water shoes and join Friends for a day in the creek as we look to pick up litter, clear obstructions, and clean up the area in and around Vaughn's Creek. Leader: Paul Fowler
<b>Ask a Master Gardener</b>	Saturday, June 28 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Drop in with your questions and curiosity. Members from the University of Tennessee Extension Master Gardeners of Davidson County will be available to share their wealth of knowledge. Leaders: Master Gardeners of Davidson County
<b>Tremendous, Terrific Trees</b>	Saturday, June 28 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration opens June 14	Take a hike with naturalist Will Chamberlain to learn all about the incredible trees of Warner Parks and the stories they tell. Leader: Will Chamberlain
<b>All About Bats! with Harmony Wildlife</b>	Saturday, June 28 7 p.m.	Age level: All ages Registration opens June 14	Learn all about the unique lives of our local bats and how Harmony Wildlife is helping protect and conserve them. This program includes a visit with a live education animal, the "how-tos" of bat boxes, and venturing outdoors to observe bats at twilight. Leaders: Harmony Wildlife and Nature Center Staff
<b>July</b>			
<b>Explore Vaughn's Gap Cave</b>	Wednesday, July 2 6:30 - 9 p.m.	Age level: 10 years and up Registration opens June 18	Join us for a rare opportunity to explore a natural cave and learn about how it was formed and what creatures live inside. Leaders: Vera Roberts and Melissa Donahue
<b>The Curious Naturalist</b>	Saturday, July 5 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration not required	What curious nature mystery will we explore today? Stop by the Nature Center and discover fascinating wildlife, plant life and more with a Naturalist. Adults and families welcome. Leaders: Nature Center Staff

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<b>Vol Call: Rise and Shine Trails</b>	Saturday, July 19 6 - 9 a.m.	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Register at <a href="http://warnerparks.org">warnerparks.org</a>	Let's beat the heat and get out early to give our Warner Woods Trail a little TLC. We'll be circling the white loop and tackling a variety of tread and drainage issues to give this much loved trail a little TLC. Leader: Paul Fowler
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<b>Let's Get Skinky</b>	Saturday, July 19 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration not required	They're fast, they're beautiful and they're all over the nature center grounds. Let's get skinky and explore these fascinating lizards and other reptiles. Drop-in style program! Leaders: Nature Center Staff
<b>Old Time Jam</b>	Saturday, July 19 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Bring your instrument and join the round for some Old Time strumming and picking on the back porch, or just sit back and enjoy the tunes. Leader: Daniel Charlton
<b>Ask a Master Gardener</b>	Saturday, July 26 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Drop in with your questions and curiosity. Members from the University of Tennessee Extension Master Gardeners of Davidson County will be available to share their wealth of knowledge. Leaders: Master Gardeners of Davidson County

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<b>Summer's End Nature Play Day</b>	Saturday, July 26 9 a.m. - noon	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Hop, crawl, climb, or run to our end of summer celebration at Nature Play! Fort building, mud pies, an obstacle course and more are just some of the fun awaiting you during this drop-in style program. Leaders: Nature Center Staff
<b>Purple Martin Watch Party</b>	Wednesday, July 30 7 - 9 p.m.	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Witness the incredible sight of thousands of Purple Martins as they gather at the downtown Nashville pre-migration roost! This annual phenomenon is an amazing experience to witness first-hand, so come and join us as we watch them descend from the skies to their communal roost and learn all about these birds with local Naturalists present to share their knowledge! Check our social media for location information. Leaders: Nature Center and Metro Parks Staff
<b>August</b>			
<b>Summer Star Party</b>	Saturday, August 2 9 - 11 p.m.	Age level: All ages Registration now open	The summer sky features the Milky Way, looking at the center of our galaxy just above the "teapot" of Sagittarius. Mars will still be hanging low in the west, the stars of the Summer Triangle overhead. We'll also have the just-past first quarter Moon! Leaders: Theo Wellington, Steve Hughes, Barnard-Seyfert Astronomical Society, and the Nashville Astronomy Club
<b>Purple Martin Watch Party</b>	Wednesday, August 6 7 - 9 p.m.	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Witness the incredible sight of thousands of Purple Martins as they gather at the downtown Nashville pre-migration roost! This annual phenomenon is an amazing experience to witness first-hand, so come and join us as we watch them descend from the skies to their communal roost and learn all about these birds with local Naturalists present to share their knowledge! Check our social media for location information. Leaders: Nature Center and Metro Parks Staff
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<b>Collage Workshop with the Nashville Collage Collective</b>	Saturday, August 9 1 - 3 p.m.	Age level: All ages Registration not required	Join us for a unique opportunity to work alongside the Nashville Collage Collective as you create an original piece of art. Supplies and light guidance/advice will be provided. This is a Do-It-Yourself project. Leaders: Nashville Collage Collective
<b>Evening Cave Tour</b>	Wednesday, August 13 6:30 - 9 p.m.	Age level: 10 years and up Registration opens July 30	Join us for a rare opportunity to explore a natural cave and learn about how it was formed and what creatures live inside. Leaders: Jenna Atma and Elyse Dilks
<b>Native Nature Share: A Seasonal Show-n-Tell for Grownups</b>	Saturday, August 16 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Registration now open	Bring in an August natural wonder to share with fellow backyard naturalists. What kind of wonder? Anything native and fascinating, such as a leaf, plant, seed, fruit, bug, bone, rock, or fossil. "Native Nature Share" is an opportunity to learn from each other about our local habitats and to build community in an informal, supportive gathering. Leaders: Vera Roberts and Joanna Brichetto
<b>Gardening for Butterflies and Hummingbirds</b>	Thursday, August 21 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Registration now open	Want to know what to plant to attract hummingbirds, butterflies, and other pollinators? Tour the Nature Center's pollinator gardens and learn how to create your own at home. Leaders: Vera Roberts and Davidson County Master Gardeners
<b>Vol Call: Splash the Trash</b>	Saturday, August 23 10 a.m. - noon	Age level: 16 years and up Register at <a href="http://warnerparks.org">warnerparks.org</a>	Join us for our annual cleanup day in the Little Harpeth River. You will get wet! With your help, we can do our part to protect and preserve this great resource. Leader: Paul Fowler
<b>Hummingbird Summer Meditation and Sound Bath</b>	Saturday, August 23 6:30 - 8 p.m.	Age level: Adults, 13 years and up Registration opens August 9	Join us for a summer sound bath meditation that celebrates the magic of hummingbirds as they prepare to migrate. Nestled in the peaceful setting behind the Nature Center, we'll combine crystal sound bowls, breathwork, and light Tai Chi movements to send these tiny travelers safe and positive energy on their journey. Learn about the beauty and resilience of hummingbirds while connecting with nature and your own sense of flow. Let's bid these vibrant spirits farewell with love and intention. Leader: Madaline Spinks of Zen Tiger Healing

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# BIRD BANDING

Organized groups **MUST** call or email ahead to attend a bird banding session



Summer  
Bird Banding  
Research  
8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

- June 3
- June 10
- June 24
- July 8
- July 15
- July 29
- August 5

Hummingbird  
Banding  
Research  
7:30-9:30 a.m.  
(unless noted  
otherwise)

- August 6
- August 13
- August 20
- August 23 (8-10am)
- August 27

# NATURE CENTER CLOSINGS



Juneteenth

Closed June 19

Independence  
Day

Closed July 4

Discover the  
Nature Center Library

Every Wednesday  
10am-12pm