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## ENJOY, LEARN ABOUT, AND CARE FOR GOD'S GOOD CREATION

### UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES IN HOUSTON

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary** COME ALONG CAMP **May 22 – May 26, 10 – 11:30 a.m.**, ages 2.5 – 5 with accompanying adult, learn about natural world thru crafts, forest walks, puppet shows & story time, [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [kids](#), [walk](#), [tree](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

**Edith L. Moore Nature Center** NATURE EXPLORERS CAMP **Jun. 5 – Jun. 9, 9 a.m. - noon**, summer nature camp for ages 5 – 10, hike trails, play games, do crafts & science projects, interact with animals & more, 440 Wilchester Blvd., <http://houstonaudubon.org/programs/adults/speaker-event.html> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [class](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [fish](#), [walk](#), [tree](#), [Houston](#)

CONCERT AT LEVY PARK **Jun. 3, 4:30 p.m.**, family concert in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

PERMACULTURE DESIGN CERTIFICATION **May 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m. & May 21, 2 – 3:30 p.m.**, students who have completed previous permaculture courses meet to discuss their design projects with mentors, near Hillcroft & W. Belfort, <http://urbanharvest.org/> [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

DUCKS UNLIMITED DINNER **May 25, 5:30 – 9:30 p.m.**, fundraiser dinner for ducks unlimited, games, auctions, raffle & more, Bayou City Event Center, 9401 Knight Rd., <http://www.ducks.org/texas/events/44061/galveston-du-dinner> [care](#), [birds](#), [Houston](#)



**BROMELIAD SHOW** **May 19, 8:30 a.m.**, senior outing, enjoy bromeliad show at Mercer Botanic Garden, Humble, transportation provided from Copperfield Church, 8350 Hwy 6 North, <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **enjoy, garden, Houston**

**QUEST FOR BETTER FOOD** **May 23, 5 – 8 p.m.**, lecture by executive director of the Organic Consumer Association, United Way, 50 Waugh Dr., <http://www.ohbaonline.org/events/> **learn, lecture, garden, Houston**

**Sheldon Lake State Park WOMENS' WALK** **May 27, 11 – 11:30 a.m.**, take a guided walk thru the park with a ranger, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) **enjoy, park, walk, Houston**

**DC'S STORMWATER RETENTION CREDIT PROGRAM** **May 23, 1 – 2 p.m.**, webinar provides in depth overview of first ever stormwater retention credit program, [https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter/leading-edge-stormwater-financing-webinars?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter/leading-edge-stormwater-financing-webinars?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) **learn, lecture, water, media, Houston**

**INTERFAITH ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP EVENT** **May 21, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.**, volunteers of all ages mulch around plantings & trim trees at the Willow Waterhole Greenspace, meet at The Gathering Place, 5310 S. Willow Dr., <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/spring-2017-interfaith-environmental-stewardship-event-tickets-33943818876> **care, enjoy, kids, garden, tree, park, Houston**

**MOVIE IN LEVY PARK** **May 18, 7 p.m.**, Freaky Friday screening in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> **enjoy, park, Houston**



**THE TRUE COST SCREENING** **May 17, 6:30 p.m.**, screening of the impact of the clothing industry on both humans & the environment, Rice Media Center, 6100 Main St.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/246434309166047/> **learn, media, Houston**

**NATIONAL TRAILS DAY** **Jun. 3, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.**, join volunteers to build trails & fencing in the Stanley Preserve, 11701 Garrett Rd., see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, walk, Houston**

**SKUNKS & ARMADILLOS** **May 16, 9 & 10:30 a.m. & 12:45 & 2 p.m.**, youth videoconference for grades 1 – 6, students learn body structures, functions & ecological benefits of these animals,

<https://www.texas-wildlife.org/resources/events/> **learn, class, media, kids, animals, Houston**

**GALVESTON HARBOR TOUR** **May 26, 9 a.m. & Jun. 1/ Jun. 2, 8 a.m.**, senior outing, narrated boat tour of Galveston Bay & Port of Houston, see birds & marine life, (5/26): transportation provided from Fairbanks Library, 9600 West Little York Rd., (6/1): transportation provided from St. Luke's Health – The Vintage Hospital, 20171 Chasewood Park Dr., (6/2): transportation provided from oaks Presbyterian Church, 1576 Chantilly Ln., <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **enjoy, boat, animals, fish, bird, Houston**

**SOLARIZE HOUSTON ROOFTOP SOLAR WORKSHOP** **Jun. 10, 10:30 a.m. – noon**, learn how to participate in group purchase program for rooftop solar, get answers to question on rooftop solar installations & equipment, Green Building Resource Center, 1002 Washington Ave.,

<https://www.solarize-houston.org/> **learn, meeting, pollution, Houston**



**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL** **May 20, 10 a.m.**, senior outing, enjoy all things strawberry, Pasadena, transportation provided from Fairbanks Library, 9600 West Little York Rd., <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **enjoy, farmers, Houston**

**Houston Zoo ZOO YOGA** **May 27**, learn yoga, as well as how to make a difference for animals, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **learn, class, animals, Houston**

**Buffalo Bayou BLANKET BINGO** **May 18, 6 – 9 p.m.**, fundraiser bingo event in Market Square Park, corner of Preston & Travis, admission fee + charge for bingo packet, [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) **care, enjoy, park, Houston**

**HIKING 101** **May 17, 7 – 8 p.m.**, learn hiking basics, such as clothing & shoes, locations to hike, supplies & more, Memorial Park, meet in parking lot by rugby/soccer field, North Picnic Ln., <http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> **learn, class, walk, park, Houston**

**Buffalo Bayou WAUGH BAT COLONY BOAT TOUR** **May 27, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn more about bats that live under the Waugh St. bridge, and enjoy amazing view of them emerging at dusk from boat on Buffalo Bayou, from Allen's Landing, 1001 Commerce St., [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) **enjoy, boat, animals, park, Houston**

**Houston Zoo FAMILY NATURE CLUB** **May 20, 9 – 11 a.m.**, final class of the year, meet on lawn across from meerkats, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **learn, class, animals, kids, Houston**



**WALK IN THE WOODS May 20, 9 – 10:30 a.m.**, join group hike on trails in Memorial Park, meet in parking lot by rugby/soccer field, North Picnic Ln.,

<http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> enjoy, walk, park, Houston

**CAMPING 101 May 24, 7 – 8 p.m.**, learn about different types of camping, gear, locations & more, Bagby Park, meet 415 Gray @ Bagby,

<http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> learn, class, camp, park, Houston

**SUP 101 May 31, 7 – 8 p.m.**, learn how to choose paddleboard, safety, strokes, locations to paddle & more, 288 lake, 4900 Schurmier,

<http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> learn, class, boat, Houston

**THE PATH LESS PEDALED May 21, 2 – 5 p.m.**, join group cycling outing along bike trails near bayous, meet at 8<sup>th</sup> Wonder Brewery, 2202 Dallas St.,

<http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> enjoy, cycle, water, Houston

**KEEPING OUR COMMUNITIES HEALTHY May 17 – May 19**, annual conference about food, nutrition, agriculture & wellness, Hilton Post Oak, 2001 Post Oak Blvd.,

<http://www.hungerfreetexans.org/annual-conference.html> learn, conference, farmers, Houston

**Discovery Green PARTY ON THE PLAZA May 17 & May 24, 7 - 9 p.m.**, Houston bands perform at the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> enjoy, park, Houston

**HOME-BASED REHABILITATION May 20, 3 - 5 p.m.**, learn about home-based wild animal rehabilitation to decide if it's for you, Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, 10801 Hammerly Blvd.,

<http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/> learn, care, class, animals, Houston



**Houston Galveston Area Council [BACTERIA IMPLEMENTATION GROUP MEETING](#) May 23, 1 - 2 p.m.**, learn about latest bacteria reduction efforts & more, 3555 Timmons Ln., <http://www.h-gac.com/home/residents.aspx> [learn](#), [meeting](#), [pollution](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Zoo [HORTICULTURE TOUR](#) May 21, 7:30 a.m.**, guided tour of plants, trees & flowers in zoo, breakfast included, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/horticulturetour/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [walk](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center [ARBORETUM AT NIGHT: SNAKES](#) May 20, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn about snakes, get up close & personal with some live snakes & enjoy beers/coffee & snacks, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center [BLACKBERRY CELEBRATION](#) May 20, 10 a.m. – noon**, harvest berries from the wild & learn some berry recipes, ages 13+, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [walk](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

**REI [DUTCH OVEN CAMP COOKING BASICS](#) May 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn basic recipes, tips & types of Dutch ovens, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [camp](#), [Houston](#)

**Discovery Green [EVENTI VERTICALI](#) May 19 & May 20, 9 – 10 p.m.**, vertical theatrical performance, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Galveston Area Council [LOAN PROGRAMS FOR TRANSPORTATION](#) May 17, 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**, overview of grant program, low interest loans & small business center development



programs for transportation industry, U.H., 2302 Fannin St.,  
<http://www.sbdc.uh.edu/assnfe/ev.asp?ID=5416> [learn](#), [class](#), [Houston](#)

**Nature Discovery Center** [YOUNG ADULT OWL PROWL](#) **May 19, 8 - 9 p.m.**, learn about owls, guided walk through park to encounter owls & other night creatures, drinks/snacks provided, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [walk](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**REI** [TEXAS! CAMPING BASICS](#) **Jun. 3, 2 – 3:30 p.m.**, learn TX camping basics: gear & equipment, local activities, regional resources & more, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [camp](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR: WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR](#) **May 17, 6 p.m.**, get the inside scoop on this exhibit, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [photo](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [ROCKS & MINERALS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD](#) **May 16, 6:30 p.m.**, learn geologic conditions that gave humanity building materials to create structures, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [learn](#), [lecture](#), [Houston](#)

[WATER SMART GARDEN VISIT](#) **May 16, May 23, & May 30, 9 – 11 a.m.**, visit to Environmental Institute of Houston's gardens at U.H. Clear Lake, 2700 Bay Area Blvd., <http://npsot.org/wp/clearlake/calendar/events/> [enjoy](#), [garden](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

[BIKE TO WORK/PLAY – WHITE OAK BAYOU](#) **May 17, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.**, cycling along White Oak Bayou & Heights trails, pit stop at Cycle Bike Shop, 2040 E. T.C. Jester Blvd., beer party at 6:30 p.m.





at King's BierGarten, 2044 E. T.C. Jester Blvd.,

<https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!event/2017/5/17/white-oak-ride-to-work> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [outside](#)

**BEFORE THE FLOOD SCREENING** **May 23, 6:30 p.m.**, climate change documentary screening, Emerson Unitarian Universalist Church, reception with screening at 7p.m., `900 Bering Dr., contact [abmay11@gmail.com](mailto:abmay11@gmail.com) for more information [learn](#), [media](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

**SPRING CREEK PARK HERITAGE FESTIVAL** **May 20, 10 a.m.**, senior outing, enjoy historical festival in the park, Spring, transportation provided from Kingwood Library, 4400 Bens Veiw Ln. Or St. Luke's - The Vintage Hospital, 20171 Chasewood Park Dr., <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**BABY BIRD ORIENTATION** **May 22 & Jun. 3, 2 p.m.**, learn to care for baby birds, Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, 10801 Hammerly Blvd., <http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/> [learn](#), [care](#), [class](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**BIKE TO WORK/PLAY – GREENWAY PLAZA** **May 18, 7 - 8:30 a.m.**, light breakfast provided to commuting cyclists, Green Square, 3 Greenway Plaza, <http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1101570321083&ca=10fc32fe-e7aa-4ead-b085-13977795d574> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [outside](#)

**NIGHT HIKES** **May 17, May 22, May 24, & May 29, 7 p.m.**, join group hikes along Buffalo Bayou, meet at Water Works, 105 Sabine St., <https://www.meetup.com/joinneo/events/> [enjoy](#), [walk](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



REI **BACKPACKING BASICS II** Jun. 6, 7 – 8:30 p.m., learn how to cut weight in your backpack & tailor gear to suit your needs, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, walk, Houston**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** May 19, deadline to submit public comments on new EPA rules around trichlorethylene & methylene, <https://www.regulations.gov/> **care, pollution, Houston**

REI **LIGHTWEIGHT BACKPACKING BASICS** May 20, 2 – 3:30 p.m., learn tips on lightweight backpacking, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, walk, Houston**

**URBAN COMMUNITY CAMP-OUT** May 20 – May 21, large-scale camping event in Levy Park, 3801 Sabine St., 3801 Eastside, <https://www.meetup.com/joinneo/events/> **enjoy, camp, park, Houston**

Spring Creek Greenway & Nature Center **NATURE DRAWING & SKETCHING** May 27, 1:30 p.m., tour thru the wonderful world of drawign with resident artist, kids welcome, with adult, if old enough to participate in class, Spring, [https://www.facebook.com/springcreekgreenwaynaturecenter/events/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/springcreekgreenwaynaturecenter/events/?ref=page_internal) **learn, class, kids, park, outside**

**BIKE TO WORK – ENERGY CORRIDOR** May 18, 6:30 – 7:30 a.m., meet at Terry Hershey Park gazebo to bike to work, 15332 Memorial Dr., <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!event/2017/5/18/btw-energy-corridor> **care, enjoy, cycle, Houston**

REI **WOMEN'S LIGHTWEIGHT BACKPACKING BASICS** May 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., learn tips on lightweight backpacking, including shelters, backpacks, food choices & fuel, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, walk, Houston**



**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [GEMS of the SEA – DEEP WATER SHELLS](#) thru May 19, exhibit of shells, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

[OPOSSUM & PAL ORIENTATION](#) May 27 & Jun. 10, 2 – 3:30 p.m., learn to care for opossums & their young, Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, 10801 Hammerly Blvd., <http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/> [learn](#), [care](#), [class](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR: TOURMALINE TREASURES](#) May 17, 6 p.m., get the inside scoop on this exhibit, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Galveston Area Council** [REGIONAL RECYCLING ROUNDTABLE](#) May 19, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., learn about innovations in plastic recycling, 3555 Timmons Ln., <http://www.h-gac.com/home/residents.aspx> [learn](#), [meeting](#), [recycle](#), [Houston](#)

[BIKE TO WORK – DOWNTOWN](#) May 19, 6:30 – 8:30 a.m., guided ride to work in downtown, 4 different routes available, also celebratory short ride in downtown at 7:30 a.m., <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!event/2017/5/19/bike-to-work-downtown> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

[REPTILE LIFESTYLE](#) May 25, 9 & 10:30 a.m. & 12:45 & 2 p.m., youth videoconference for grades 1 – 6, students learn body structure/functions, how reptiles eat, survive in their habitat & protect themselves from predators, <https://www.texas-wildlife.org/resources/events/> [learn](#), [class](#), [media](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)



**Discovery Green JAM AT DISCOVERY GREEN May 18 & May 25, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, concerts with variety of music, such as jazz, big band & more, 1500 McKinney, [http://www.discoverygreen.com/enjoy\\_park, Houston](http://www.discoverygreen.com/enjoy_park_Houston)

**CLIMATE CHANGE & CLIMATE RISK May 24, 5 – 7 p.m.**, panel of scientists, public health experts, investment experts & community leaders discuss climate change and climate-change risks to industry, investors & the community, Rice University library, 6100 Main St., <https://secure.ucsus.org/onlineactions/7mdODipF7EiEcsTJhiPJDw2> [learn](#), [lecture](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

**RIDE OF SILENCE May 17, 6:30 p.m.**, slow group ride to honor those killed or injured while riding, meet at City Hall, 901 Bagby St., <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!event/2017/5/18/ride-of-silence> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

**CONNECTIONS BETWEEN PEOPLE & NATURE: ENDOCRINE DISRUPTERS May 21, 6 p.m.**, free webinar by Aquinas College dean of sciences/sustainability, register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/connections-between-people-nature-endocrine-disrupters-tickets-33151761812?aff=es2> [learn](#), [lecture](#), [media](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR EXHIBIT thru Jun. 4**, exhibit showcases award-winning photography of nature, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [enjoy](#), [photo](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

**LEARN TO RIDE CLASSES May 20 & Jun. 3, 1 – 2 p.m. & 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. (& 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on 6/3)**, one-on-one classes by certified instructors to learn to ride a bike, for all ages, this is a



two-part class, Bethany Methodist Church, 3511 Linkwood Dr.,  
<https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!calendar> **learn, class, cycle, kids, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science 3D FILMS ongoing**, wide variety of films being screened, see [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) for current show times/offerings **enjoy, learn, media, Houston**

**HERB SOCIETY MEETING May 17, 6:30 p.m.**, annual meeting potluck, garden pavilion, Hermann Park, 1700 Hermann Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> **learn, meeting, garden, park, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science AMBER SECRETS ongoing**, exhibit of amber gems, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) **enjoy, learn, Houston**

**Hermann Park ORIENTATION May 20 & May 24, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**, for those interested in volunteering in the gardens, Family Garden in McGovern Centennial Garden, 1700 Hermann Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> **care, learn, garden, park, Houston**

**Hermann Park STUDENT PERFORMANCES May 19, 10 a.m., May 20, 10:30 a.m., & May 25, 9 a.m.**, area students perform in the park, Lake Plaza, 1700 Hermann Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> **enjoy, park, Houston**

**REI WOMEN'S ROCKCLIMBING BASICS Jun. 7, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, introduction to rock climbing, including gear specific to women, 7538 Westheimer, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, climb, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science CABINET of CURIOSITIES ongoing**, exhibit of thousands of natural and man-made objects, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) **enjoy, Houston**



**RUN FOR WELLNESS May 28, 8 – 9:30 a.m.**, free 5K run, Freedom Park, 18050 Westheimer, <https://thehwporg.presencehost.net/news-events/event-calendar.html> **enjoy, walk, park, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science TEACHER TUESDAY: DISCOVERING DENSITY May 23, 5 p.m.** teachers learn to build a boat, make a density column & explore sinking, floating. & buoyancy thru hands-on activities for students, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) **learn, class, kids, Houston**

**Hermann Park SMALL SPACE GARDENING May 17, 6 – 7:30 p.m.**, learn vegetable gardening in small spaces, good of apartment or townhome dweller, 1700 Hermann Dr., <https://www.houstonjapanfest.org/> **learn, class, garden, park, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science WEEKDAY LABS May** Deep Sea divers, grades 1 – 8; earth science lab, grades 1 – 8; & techno science lab, grades 1 – 8, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) **learn, enjoy, class, kids, animals, Houston**

**REI KAYAKING BASICS May 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn type of kayak, paddle & PFD that best fits your needs, 7538 Westheimer, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, boat, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science TOURMALINE TREASURES thru Sep. 30**, exhibit of the world's finest naturally crystallized tourmalines, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org), **enjoy, Houston**

**Hermann Park HAPPY HOUR May 24, 6 - 8 p.m.**, fundraiser for park for young professionals, The Owl! Mix, 2221 W. Alabama, <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> **care, park, Houston**



REI **WRENCH NIGHT** Jun. 7, 7 p.m., work on your bike alongside professionals, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

## **ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES IN HOUSTON**

**YOGA AT LEVY PARK** Mon. – Fri., 6 p.m. & Sat./Sun., 10 a.m., yoga class in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [class](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**Sheldon Lake State Park FISHING 101** Sat., 11 – 11:30 a.m., learn basic fishing skills: how to tie knots, best way to cast & angler's toolbox & more, poles available to borrow, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** [enjoy](#), [park](#), [kids](#), [fish](#), [Houston](#)

**Discovery Green SUNDAYS IN THE PARK** Sun., (thru Jun. 25), enjoy music & games in the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 21 & May 28** [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**MEMORIAL VILLAGES FARMERS' MARKET** Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., farmers' market, music, kids' activities, food demonstrations, lectures & more, 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church, 10840 Beinhorn Rd., <http://www.mvfarmersmarket.org/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** [care](#), [farmer](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

**Sheldon Lake State Park CRITTER TOUCH TABLE** Sat., 2 – 2:30 p.m., touch animal skins, pelts, bones, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** [enjoy](#), [park](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)



**Discovery Green** [KIDS LEARN A LANGUAGE](#) Sat., 11:30 a.m. - 12:30p.m., kids, ages toddlers - 10 years, learn Spanish, each lesson is independent, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** learn, class, kids, park, Houston

**NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Board Meeting** 1<sup>st</sup> Tues., 6:30 p.m., board meeting open to the public, C Environmental Institute of Houston, UH – Clear Lake, <http://npsot.org/wp/houston/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 6** learn, meeting, garden, Houston

**Sheldon Lake State Park** [ARTS IN THE PARK](#) Sun., 11 – 11:30 a.m., create art inspired by the park, materials provided, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **May 21 & May 28** enjoy, park, kids, animals, Houston

**CENTRAL CITY CO-OP MARKET** Weds., open market of organic & local fresh produce, Kindred Church, 2515 Waugh Dr., <http://www.centralcityco-op.com/> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** care, farmer, Houston

**Sheldon Lake State Park** [ROAMING FOR REPTILES](#) Sun., 2 – 2:30 p.m., learn about reptiles in the park & join ranger to search for them, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **May 21 & May 28** enjoy, park, kids, animals, Houston

**Sims Bayou Urban Nature Center** [BIRD BUDDIES](#) Fri., 10 – 11:30 a.m. (thru May), kids 3 – 5 discover birds & other animals, includes crafts, games & more, 3997 River Dr., <http://houstonaudubon.org/programs/youth/> Next Opportunities **May 19 & May 26** learn, enjoy, class, bird, kids, Houston





**HOUSTON PARKS ACTIVITIES** ongoing, variety of dates/times, many activities offered by the Houston Parks Dept. for people of all ages in various city parks, from sports to tutoring to hands-on stewardship projects and more, see the link to the listing here: <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/> enjoy, park, Houston

**Sheldon Lake State Park BE A SCIENTIST Fri., 2 – 2:30 p.m.**, learn to become a citizen scientist & make a difference, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events)  
Next Opportunities **May 19 & May 26** care, enjoy, park, kids, Houston

**SCIENCE AT LEVY PARK 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 2 p.m.**, kids learn natural science in the park, taught by Houston Museum of Natural Science, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **May 26** learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston

**PERFORMANCE FOR KIDS AT LEVY PARK 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sat., 1 p.m.**, entertainment for kids in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **May 20** enjoy, kids, park, Houston

**DANCE FOR KIDS AT LEVY PARK 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sat., 1 p.m.**, dance class for kids in the park taught by experts from MET, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **May 20** enjoy, learn, class, kids, park, Houston

**ZUMBA AT LEVY PARK Mon., 6:30 p.m.**, zumba class in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **May 22 & May 29** enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston



**GROWING ORGANIC VEGETABLES SERIES** some Thurs., 6:30 - 9 p.m. (thru May 18), learn everything you need to know about growing organic vegetables, UH – Central Campus, McElhinney Hall, Wheeler Ave/Cullen, <http://urbanharvest.org/> Next Opportunity **May 18** learn, class, garden, Houston

**BIKE TOURS** daily, Bayou City Bike Tours offers guided rides for groups along Heights Blvd. & Buffalo Bayou, 1824 Spring St., <http://www.bayoucitybiketours.com/book-a-tour/> enjoy, cycle, Houston

Discovery Green **DANCING IN THE STREETS** Thurs. 7 - 9 p.m., learn to dance on the Avenida, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** learn, enjoy, park, Houston

Discovery Green **ROLLER RINK** Daily, 5 - 10 p.m. (11 p.m. on Fri.), Sat., 11 a.m. – 11 p.m. & Sun., 11 a.m. – 9 p.m., skate outdoors to music, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> enjoy, park, Houston

**INSPIREFIRE WORKSHOP AT LEVY PARK** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 3 p.m. (thru Aug.), workshop in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **May 26** learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston

**DRUM JAM AT LEVY PARK** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 2:30 p.m., enjoy drum concert in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 11** learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston



**DON GREENE PARK WORK DAY** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers plant trees & pocket prairie, and clear non-native plants, 6009 Cypress St., <https://www.facebook.com/friendsofdongreene/> Next Opportunity **May 20**

**HOUSTON RENEWABLE ENERGY GROUP MEETING** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., monthly meeting of group promoting renewable energy in Houston, Carnegie Neighborhood Library, 1050 Quitman St., <http://houstonrenewableenergy.org/> Next Opportunity **May 16**, Topic: retail electricity plans

Discovery Green **KAYAK & SUP** weekends, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m., (thru May 29), rent kayaks, SUPs, remote controlled sailboats, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20/May 21 & May 27/May 28** enjoy, boat, park, Houston

Discovery Green **RECYCLING SATURDAYS** most Sat., 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., recycle paper, plastic and glass at the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** care, recycle, park, Houston

**HULA HOOPING AT LEVY PARK** Tues., 11:30 a.m., hula-hooping class in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston

**SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM WORKSHOP** last Fri., 2 – 4 p.m. (thru Nov.), free workshop teaches basics of solar system installation & operation, covers types of solar arrays, costs, labor, permitting, energy savings & reliability, TXRX, 205 Roberts, <http://houstonrenewableenergy.org/2016/07/solar-energy-system-workshop/> Next Opportunity **May 26** learn, class, pollution, Houston



**Discovery Green PARKOUR Thurs., 6:30 - 8 p.m.**, experienced coaches turn work-out into play, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** **enjoy, class, park, Houston**

**Houston Zoo ZOO SPROUTS I one Thurs. or Sat./month, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.**, (during school year), kids ages 18 – 23 months learn about animals thru activities designed to develop motor skills, meet/touch live animals, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., [www.houstonzoo.org](http://www.houstonzoo.org) Next Opportunities **TBD** **learn, enjoy, class, kids, animals, Houston**

**Discovery Green HATHA YOGA Sat., 9 - 10 a.m.**, practice yoga for enhanced awareness & a strong, healthy body, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** **enjoy, class, park, Houston**

**VEGAN FOR LIFE Meeting last Sat., 7 p.m.**, monthly meeting for vegans to plan activities & activism, Central Market Community Room, 3815 Westheimer, Next Opportunity **May 27** **learn, meeting, Houston**

**BIKE RIDES various days/times**, join group rides, various locations, organized by Bike Barn stores, <http://bikebarn.com/articles/upcoming-rides-pg66.htm> **enjoy, cycle, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science BOY SCOUT CLASSES dates/times vary**, classes for boy scouts of all ages, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) Next Opportunities **May 20, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** Merit Badges – Collections, geology, & weather; **10 a.m. – noon**, Webelos: Art Explosion; Bears: Make It move; & Wolves: Motor away; **1 – 3 p.m.** Wolves: Grow Something; Webelos: Looking back, looking forward, <http://www.hmns.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/2017-Spring-Schedule-Interactive-Final.pdf> **learn, enjoy, class, kids, Houston**



**Discovery Green** [SCREEN ON THE GREEN](#) **varies**, family-friendly movie in the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **TBD** [enjoy, media, kids, park, Houston](#)

**Houston Zoo** [ZOO SPROUTS II](#) **one Mon. or Sat./month, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.**, kids ages 2 – 3 learn about animals thru hands-on activities & meet/greet live animals, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., [www.houstonzoo.org](http://www.houstonzoo.org) Next Opportunity **May 20**, Topic: Radical Red Pandas [learn, enjoy, class, kids, animals, Houston](#)

**Discovery Green** [CORE-FOCUSED YOGA](#) **Tues., 6:30 – 7:30 a.m. (in Mar.)**, practice yoga for strength and flexibility, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** [enjoy, class, park, Houston](#)

**Discovery Green** [YOUNG WRITERS WORKSHOP](#) **Sat., 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.**, kids learn to express their thoughts & develop language skills, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** [learn, class, kids, park, Houston](#)

**Discovery Green** [AVENIDA LIVING ART](#) **Tues., 7 - 9 p.m.**, live art on the Avenida, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** [enjoy, park, Houston](#)

[KEEP 5 ALIVE](#) **2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 9 – 11 a.m.**, volunteers pick up trash & clean flower beds in Fifth Ward Civic Club, corner of Market & Lockwood, <http://www.houstonbeautiful.org/news--events.html> Next Opportunity **Jun. 10** [care, pollution, garden, Houston](#)

**Discovery Green** [CIRCUS ARTS](#) **Tues., 6 – 8 p.m.**, ground arts & acrobatics, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** [enjoy, class, park, Houston](#)



**Houston Zoo ZOO SPROUTS III one Weds. or Sat./month, 10:30 – 11:20 a.m. on Weds, 2 - 3 a.m. on Sat.,** kids ages 4 – 5 learn how animals interact with their environment & see if they can do the same, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., [www.houstonzoo.org](http://www.houstonzoo.org) Next Opportunities **May 24 or May 27,** Topic: Humongous Horns **learn, enjoy, class, kids, animals, Houston**

**Hermann Park SPANISH LANGUAGE CONVERSATION GROUP certain Fri., noon - 1 p.m.,** group meets to converse in Spanish, bring your own lunch, McGovern Centennial Gardens Family Pavilion, 1700 Hermann Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> Next Opportunity **TBD enjoy, park, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science GIRL SCOUT CLASSES dates/times vary,** classes for girl scouts of all ages, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) Next Opportunities **May 20, 10 a.m. - noon,** Daisies/Brownies: Butterfly Trails; Brownies: Painting; & Juniors+: Careers in Science: Astronomy; **1 – 3 p.m.,** Brownies: First aid; Juniors: Detective, <http://www.hmns.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/2017-Spring-Schedule-Interactive-Final.pdf> **learn, enjoy, class, kids, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science EARLY OPENING 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8 a.m.,** the museum opens one hour early for members on the second Saturday, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org), Next Opportunity **Jun. 10 enjoy, Houston**

**Discovery Green STEM SATURDAYS Sat., 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.,** fun, hands-on science, technology, engineering & math education program for kids, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27 learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston**



**PIANO CONCERT AT LEVY PARK** **Weds., noon**, enjoy piano concert in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** enjoy, park, Houston

**OLIVEWOOD CEMETERY CLEAN-UP** **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon**, volunteers remove brush & do landscaping at historic cemetery, 1300 Court St., <http://www.descendantsofolivewood.org/category/events/> Next Opportunity **May 20** care, garden, Houston

**Houston Museum of Natural Science PLANETARIUM SHOWS** ongoing, times vary, wide variety of shows, Burke Baker Planetarium, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., see [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) for offerings & times enjoy, learn, media Houston

**Bike Houston BOARD MEETING** **2<sup>nd</sup> Tues., 7 – 8 p.m.**, board meeting open to public, Central Market, 3815 Westheimer, <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!/calendar> Next Opportunity **Jun. 13** learn, meeting, cycle, Houston

**Hermann Park CHILDREN'S STORY HOUR** **most Fri., 10 - 11 a.m.**, little ones listen to story in McGovern Centennial Garden, 6100 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> Next Opportunities **May 19 & May 26** enjoy, boat, park, Houston

**Discovery Green ZUMBA** **Weds., 6 - 7 p.m.**, personal trainer shows you how to make your workout a party, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** enjoy, class, park, Houston

**Exploration Green NATIVE TREE NURSERY WORK DAY** **certain Sat., 8 a.m. – noon**, volunteers re-pot, stake, & prune trees that will be used to transform a former golf course into greenspace,



Exploration Green nursery, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake,  
<http://www.explorationgreen.org/#!calendar/c1xzt> Next Opportunity **Jun. 10** care, tree, park, Houston

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** HMNS AFTER DARK monthly, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m., museum open late one day/month, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) Next Opportunity **May 31** enjoy learn, Houston

NATURE & ECLECTIC OUTDOORS MONTHLY MEETING date/time varies, informal meeting to discuss upcoming events & volunteer opportunities, <https://www.meetup.com/joinneo/events/> Next Opportunity **TBD** learn, meeting, Houston

CANOEING/KAYAKING/SUP/SURFING daily, rentals, guided tours & lessons available, variety of locations, Bayou City Adventures, 1520 Silver St., <http://bayoucityadventures.org/> enjoy, boat, Houston

**Exploration Green** TRAIL BLAZING DAY some Sat.s, 8 a.m. – noon, volunteers clear trails in new park, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake, <http://www.explorationgreen.org/#!calendar/c1xzt> Next Opportunity **May 20** care, walk, park, Houston

**Hermann Park** PEDAL BOATS Fri. - Sun., 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., rent pedal boats to use on pond in Hermann Park, 6100 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> Next Opportunities **May 19 – May 21 & May 26 – May 28** enjoy, boat, park, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center** SCIENCE SPROUTS some Thurs., 10:30 – 11:45 a.m. (during school year), kids 4 & 5 learn about science/nature, take guided walk, get up close with





nature, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://houstonarboretum.org/> Next opportunity **TBD**, Topic: TBD **learn, kids, class, animals, walk, Houston**

**HULLABALOO** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6 – 8 p.m., cyclist get-together, location varies, partners each month with a like-minded organization, [www.bikehouston.org](http://www.bikehouston.org) Next Opportunity **TBD**, Location: TBD **enjoy, cycle, Houston**

**PLANT PROPAGATION PROGRAM** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs., 9a.m. - noon, volunteers work in park greenhouse to propagate plants, south side of Memorial Dr. E., Memorial Loop & Crestwood, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **May 25** **care, garden, Houston**

**SATURDAY MORNING WALKS** Sat., usually 8:30 a.m., join group walk 3 – 4 mi. walk in Terry Hershey Park, meet at gazebo near restrooms, <http://www.meetup.com/Casual-Walking-and-Hiking-in-West-Houston/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** **enjoy, walk, park, Houston**

**Sheldon Lake State Park** **PRAIRIE RESTORATION** Tues., 8 a.m. – noon, ongoing restoration of tall grass prairie, 14140 Garrett Rd, <http://prairiepartner.org/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** **enjoy, park, garden, Houston**

**Discovery Green** **BLUES AT THE BROWN** Weds., 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., free lunchtime blues concert, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** **enjoy, park, Houston**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** **FREE THURSDAYS** Thurs., 2 – 5 p.m., free admission to permanent exhibits, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** **learn, Houston**



**Sheldon Lake State Park BIRD SURVEY 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. (Sep. – May)**, bird survey in the park, contact [Hannah.Buschert@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:Hannah.Buschert@tpwd.texas.gov) for details, 14140 Garrett Rd. Next Opportunity **May 20** enjoy, park, garden, Houston

**TAI CHI AT LEVY PARK Weds., 6 p.m.**, enjoy tai chi in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston

**STORMWATER WETLAND PROGRAM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon**, volunteers propagate plants in nursery at Exploration Green, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake, or at Gulf Coast Bird Observatory in Lake Jackson, Contact [Mcedwards@tamu.edu](mailto:Mcedwards@tamu.edu) for details, <http://www.explorationgreen.org/#!calendar/c1xzt> Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** care, garden, water, Houston

**Discovery Green YOGA Mon., 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**, strengthen, relax & recharge, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunity **May 22 & May 29** enjoy, class, park, Houston

**WILDLIFE for LUNCH usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 12 - 1 p.m.**, online course by expert on each monthly topic, offered by Texas Wildlife Association., <https://www.texas-wildlife.org/resources/events/> Next Opportunity **May 18**, Topic: Agricultural Conservation Easements learn, class, media, animals, Houston

**Discovery Green TODDLER TUESDAYS Tues., 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**, toddlers enjoy story & activity in the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** enjoy, kids, park, Houston



**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary FAMILY WORK DAY usually 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon (except summer),** maintain bird sanctuary, children 5+ welcome, 440 Wilchester Blvd., register with [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunity **May 27** care, kids, Houston

**BOOTCAMP AT LEVY PARK Sat., 8:30 a.m.,** intense exercise class in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston

**DANCE FOR ADULTS AT LEVY PARK Thurs., 6 p.m.,** dance class for adults in the park with MET, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** enjoy, kids, park, Houston

**PILATES AT LEVY PARK 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri., 4 p.m.,** pilates in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **May 19** enjoy, kids, park, Houston

**Exploration Green WORK DAY 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon,** volunteers plant along shores of the new lake, 1800 Reseda, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **May 27** care, walk, park, outside

**PHOTO WORKSHOP AT LEVY PARK 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 9 – 10:30 a.m.,** learn photography in the park with Houston Center for Photography experts, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **May 18** learn, enjoy, class, photo, park, Houston



**PAWSITIVE PUPS AT LEVY PARK** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 2:30 p.m., kids read to trained therapy dogs in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 11** enjoy, kids, animals, park, Houston

**Sheldon Lake State Park WETLAND RESTORATION** Weds., 9 a.m. – noon, ongoing restoration of wetlands, 14140 Garrett Rd, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** enjoy, park, garden, Houston

**Discovery Green CIRCO AVENIDA** Fri., 7 - 10 p.m., circus on the Avenida, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 19 & May 26** enjoy, class, park, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Ctr TADPOLE TROOPERS** one Sat./month, 9 – 10:15 a.m., 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. & 1 – 2:15 p.m., (during school year), kids ages 3 – 5 (with parent) learn natural science, do craft, walk outside, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://houstonarboretum.org/> Next Opportunity **TBD** learn, class, kids, animals, Houston

**Exploration Green PLANT PROPAGATION** Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers propagate plants in wetland nursery at Exploration Green, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** care, garden, park, Houston

**Buffalo Bayou LOOKING BACK BOAT TOUR** usually 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 10 - 11:30 p.m., guided historical tour along Buffalo Bayou, from 150 Sabine St., [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) Next Opportunity **TBD** enjoy, boat, park, Houston

**Buffalo Bayou VOLUNTEER DAY** 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., volunteers help maintain the park, meet at Water Works, 105 Sabine St.,



<https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/BuffaloBayouPartnership/volunteerwaiver.html> Next Opportunity **May 20** care, park, water, Houston

**Buffalo Bayou 2<sup>nd</sup> SATURDAY BOAT RIDE** usually **2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, 30 minute boat rides along Buffalo Bayou, from 150 Sabine St., [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) Next Opportunity **May 20** enjoy, boat, park, Houston

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GREEN THUMB LECTURE** (Jan – Oct.): **2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Barbara Bush Library, 6817 Cypresswood Dr., **3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Spring Branch Memorial Library, 930 Corbindale, **3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Ln, register 281-855-5600, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunities **TBD, May 16, & May 18**, respectively, May Topic: Insects in the Garden learn, lecture, garden, Houston

**MOUNTAIN BIKING at ANT HILLS** **Tues., 6:15 p.m.**, join group ride at Hershey Park, 15200 Memorial, <http://www.meetup.com/HoustonCyclingClub/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** enjoy, cycle, park, Houston

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary NATURE EXPLORERS CLUB** usually **3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 4 – 5:30 p.m.** (during school year), school-age kids 6 - 12 learn about nature, make craft, take hike & more, 440 Wilchester Blvd., register with [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunity **May 18**, Topic: Bayou Animals learn, enjoy, kids, Houston

**Buffalo Bayou WALKING TOUR** usually **3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., (time varies seasonally)** guided tour by naturalist, meet at Water Works, 105 Sabine St., [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) Next Opportunity **May 20** enjoy, park, water, walk, Houston



**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary** [SATURDAYS in NATURE](#) 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon (during school year), hands-on science program for families, 440 Wilchester Blvd., register with [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), <http://www.houstonaudubon.org> Next opportunity **TBD**, Topic:TBD  
**learn, enjoy, kids, Houston**

**Discovery Green** [STROLLING SATURDAYS](#) Sat., 7 - 10 p.m., strolling musicians along Avenida, different musical styles each week, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** **enjoy, class, park, Houston**

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office** [GARDENS LECTURE](#) (Jan – Oct.): 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Genoa Friendship Garden, 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd., <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunity **Jun. 8**, Jun. Topic: All about beneficials **learn, lecture, garden, Houston**

**Discovery Green** [GREEN FLEA BY NIGHT](#) usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 6 – 10 p.m., flea market, artful kitsch, vintage items, recycled/repurposed, collectibles & more, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/flea> Next Opportunity **May 20** **care, recycle, park, Houston**

[TOUR DE CYPRESSWOOD](#) Tues., 6 p.m., join group ride for beginners on Cypresswood trails, Cypress, <http://www.meetup.com/HoustonCyclingClub/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** **enjoy, cycle, outside**

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Ctr** [NATURALIST EXPLORERS](#) one Sat. each month, 9 – 11 a.m. (during school year), kids ages 5 - 8 learn natural science thru instruction & hands-on activities, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://houstonaarboretum.org/> Next Opportunity **TBD** **learn, class, kids, Houston**



**Discovery Green MEDITATION Mon., 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.**, take time to tune into your heart, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 22 & May 29** enjoy, class, park, Houston

**HISTORIC HOUSTON SALVAGE WAREHOUSE open by appointment**, purchase materials reclaimed from historic homes, 4300 Harrisburg Blvd, (713) 522-0542, <http://www.historichouston.org/care, recycle, Houston>

**Discovery Green BOLLYWOOD FUN & FIT Mon., 7 - 8 p.m.**, get fit in the park with Bollywood dancing, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **May 22 & May 29** enjoy, class, park, Houston

**ENVIRONMENT MATTERS monthly, 6 – 7 p.m.**, monthly social for anyone interested in the environment, learn from experts, hear about upcoming events, & enjoy the get-together, Eureka Heights Brewing Co., 941 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St., see calendar at [www.cechouston.org](http://www.cechouston.org) Next Opportunity **TBD** learn, meeting, Houston

**BIRD WALK 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 7:30 a.m. (Sep. - May)**, meet at cabin, Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary, 440 Wilchester Blvd., 713-464-4900 or <http://www.houstonaudubon.org>. Next Opportunity **TBD** enjoy, bird, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Ctr HOME SCHOOL PROGRAM 3 Mon.s/month, 1 – 3 p.m. (during school year)**, kids ages 5 - 12 learn natural science thru instruction, hands-on activities, & guided nature walks, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://houstonarboretum.org/> Next Opportunity **May 22**, Topic: Scientific Inquiry learn, class, kids, Houston



**POETRY AT LEVY PARK** 1<sup>st</sup> Fri., 7 - 9 p.m., teens perform poetry, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 2** [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**ECO-LOGY** Tues., 3 – 4 p.m., **EXPLORATION** Mon. 5 – 6 a.m., **VEGAN WORLD** Tues., 8 – 9 p.m., KPFT. Next opportunities **May 16, May 22, May 23, & May 29** [learn](#), [care](#), [media](#), [Houston](#)

**RECYCLE ALMOST ANYTHING** <http://texastakeback.com/>, a comprehensive guide to recycling. [care](#), [recycle](#), [Houston](#), [outside](#), [media](#)

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Ctr** **BIRD COUNT** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 8 – 10 a.m., meet in front of center to document birds in arboretum, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://houstonarboretum.org/> Next Opportunity: **May 20** [care](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**Wildlife Center VOLUNTEER TRAINING** usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 10 – 11:30 a.m., (except Nov./Dec.) 7007 Katy Rd, 713 861-9453, <http://www.wildlifecenteroftexas.org/>. Next opportunity **May 20** [learn](#), [care](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#), [class](#)

**SIERRA CLUB Monthly Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs., 7 – 10 p.m., St. Stephen's Pecore Hall, 1805 W. Alabama, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 8**, Topic: TBD [care](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Galveston Area Council** **PARKS & NATURAL AREAS Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., discussion of parks/natural areas in 13-county region, 3555 Timmons Ln., [justin.bower@h-gac.com](mailto:justin.bower@h-gac.com) Next Opportunity **Jun. 12** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)





**PROJECT BLAZING STAR** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers plant native grasses, forbes & wildflowers, Bayou Parklands, meet at pavilion near 6520 Almeda, parking lot P, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **Jun. 10** care, garden, Houston

**NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Monthly Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 6:45 p.m., University of Houston – Clear Lake, Clear Lake <http://npsot.org/wp/houston/> Next opportunity **Jun. 12**, Topic: TBD learn, meeting, lecture, garden, Houston

**URBAN FOREST MICRO-GRANT** 15<sup>th</sup> of each month, deadline to apply for micro matching (1:1) grant of \$500, <http://www.texasurbantrees.org/> Next Deadline **Jun. 15** care, tree, Houston

**BAYOU RIDE** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun., 8 – 11 a.m., Bike Houston offers guided educational ride, start at NikosNikos Market Square, 301 Milam, moderate pace with stops, [www.bikehouston.org](http://www.bikehouston.org) Next Opportunity **TBD** enjoy, cycle, water, Houston

Houston Galveston Area Council **LIVABLE HOUSTON INITIATIVE** 4<sup>th</sup> Weds., 12 - 1:30 p.m., discuss vision of desired future for Houston residents & how to achieve, 3555 Timmons Ln., [justin.bower@h-gac.com](mailto:justin.bower@h-gac.com) Next Opportunity **May 24** learn, meeting, park, Houston

**LOCAL ECONOMY ACTION GROUP Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds., 6:30 p.m., seedbed for approaches to sustainable businesses, Start Houston, 1121 Delano St., Next Opportunity **Jun, 14** care, meeting, learn, Houston

**BAT CHAT** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> Fri., 30 min. before sunset, Waugh Street Bridge Allen Pkwy & Waugh, [www.waughbatmonitor.org](http://www.waughbatmonitor.org) Next Opportunities **May 19 & May 26** learn, enjoy, animals, Houston



**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary** [RUMMEL CREEK STREAM TEAM WORK DAY](#) 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., (in season) remove invasives/litter, plants natives, 440 Wilchester Blvd., contact [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunity **TBD** [care, water, Houston](#)

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center** [NATURE REVEALED](#) usually one Sat./month, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. & some Tues., 2 – 4 p.m., learn about plants & animals, ages 13+, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org) Next Opportunity **May 27**, Topic: The Hidden Kingdom of Mushrooms [learn, class, animals, garden, Houston](#)

[CITY HALL FARMERS' MARKET](#) Weds., 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., (except summer/winter) in front of city hall, 901 Bagby, [www.urbanharvest.org](http://www.urbanharvest.org) Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** [care, farmers, Houston](#)

[TRANSITION HOUSTON Monthly Meeting](#) 1<sup>st</sup> Tues., 7 – 9 p.m., Group supports transition from oil dependency to local resilience, location varies, [www.transitionhouston.org](http://www.transitionhouston.org) Next Opportunity **Jun. 6**, Topic: TBD [learn, meeting, Houston](#)

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary** [TUESDAY TRAIL CREW](#) Tues., 9 a.m. – noon, trail maintenance, 440 Wilchester Blvd., contact [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunities **May 16 & May 23** [care, walk, Houston](#)

**Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center** [VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION](#) usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 10 – 11:30 a.m., learn to care for animals in center, 10801 Hammerly Blvd., <http://www.twrc-houston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 10** [care, learn, class animals, Houston](#)



**NATURE PHOTO ASSOC Meeting** usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds., 7 p.m., (Sep. – May) meet at library, Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary, 440 Wilchester Blvd., 713-464-4900, <http://www.houstonaudubon.org/> Next Opportunity **May 17**, Topic: Gulf Coast Bird Photography [enjoy](#), [photo](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**HOUSTON CLIMATE PROTECTION ALLIANCE Meeting** usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 1:15 p.m., speakers on climate science, 1<sup>st</sup> Unitarian Church, 5200 Fannin, <http://www.houstonclimateprotection.org/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 11** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Audubon **ARCHBISHOP FIORENZA PARK BIRD SURVEY** usually 4<sup>th</sup> Weds., 8 a.m., join group to survey birds, 13551 Westpark, [maweber@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:maweber@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunity **May 24** [care](#), [enjoy](#), [walk](#), [park](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office **OPEN GARDEN DAY** 4<sup>th</sup> Tues., (except Dec.), 9 – 11:30 a.m., workshop & childrens' activity at 10 a.m., self-guided garden tours, 3033 Bear Creek Dr., 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon, 8:30 – 11 a.m., 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd, fun & education for adults/kids, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/> Next Opportunities **May 23 & May 16**, respectively [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [garden](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary **NATIVES NURSERY VOLUNTEERS** Fri., a.m., separate seedlings, re-pot plants, 440 Wilchester Blvd., contact [fhannah@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:fhannah@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunities **May 19 & May 26** [care](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

**CITIZENS' TRANSPORTATION COALITION Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 5:30 p.m., group focusing on public transportation, Rudyard's Pub, 2010 Waugh, <http://www.ctchouston.org/wordpress/> Next Opportunity **May 18** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)



**HOUSTON CRITICAL MASS Cycling Event** last Fri., 7 p.m., meet other cyclists at Market Square Park in downtown to ride around Houston, to make Houston more bike-friendly.  
<http://houstoncriticalmass.com/> Next opportunity **May 26** care, enjoy, cycle, Houston

**BAYOU BIKERS** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun., 8 a.m., meet at Market Square, bike 25 – 40 miles.  
<http://www.marketsquarepark.com/calendar/> Next opportunity **Jun. 4** enjoy, cycle, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center** **PHENOLOGY WALK** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m., guided walk along phenology trails, 4501 Woodway Dr., Next Opportunity **May 27** learn, walk, Houston

**Rice University FARMERS MARKET** Tues., 3:30 – 6:30 p.m., 5491 Greenbriar. Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** care, farmers, Houston,

**SENIOR BIRDING BUS TRIPS** usually monthly, day varies, normally 8 or 9 a.m., bus transport from Memorial City Mall, snack & guide, reservations required, [maweber@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:maweber@houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **May 30, 8 a .m. – 4 p.m.** Location: High Island & Bolivar Flats enjoy, learn, walk, bird, Houston

**NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Monthly Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:45 – 9:30 p.m., **Houston Arboretum & Nature Center**, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://npsot.org/wp/houston/> Next opportunity **May 18**, Topic: Follets Island Conservation Initiative learn, meeting, lecture, garden, Houston

**HOUSTON RE-MARKET** 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., 4302 Harrisburg Blvd, Sustainable crafts, garage sales, swap meet, and recycling drop-off, Next opportunity **May 27** care, recycle, Houston



**Nature Discovery Center** [CURIOUS KIDS](#) Tues., 10 – 11:15 a.m. or 4 – 5:15 p.m. (during school year), pre-K science program, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** [learn, enjoy, class, kids, Houston](#)

[GREATER EAST END FARMERS' MARKET](#) Sun., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., 2700 block of Navigation, across from Ninfa's. Next opportunities **May 21 & May 28** [care, farmers, Houston](#)

**Nature Discovery Center** [WALK ON THE WILD SIDE](#) one Sat./month., 10 a.m., fun family-friendly walks to learn about wild nature, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **TBD** [learn, enjoy, class, kids, Houston](#)

**City of Houston** [MATTRESS RECYCLING](#) 2240 Central Street or 5565 Kirkpatrick. **Weds. - Sun. 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.** (Daylight Savings Time) & **9 a.m. - 6 p.m.** (Non-Daylight Savings Time) [care, recycle, Houston](#)

**Nature Discovery Center** [TREE I.D.WALK](#) 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 10 – 11 a.m. guided tree walks in park to learn to identify trees, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 3** [learn, enjoy, walk, tree, park, Houston](#)

[TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE on PBS](#) Mon. – Fri., 6 p.m. & Sat. 3 p.m., [HTTP://WWW.HOUSTONPUBLICMEDIA.ORG/TV8/](http://www.houstonpublicmedia.org/tv8/) Next opportunities **May 15 – May 19 & May 20 & May 22 – May 26 & May 27** [learn, Houston, outside, park, animals, media](#)

[HOUSTON COMMUNITY TOOLBANK WAREHOUSE TOUR](#) 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 9 – 10 a.m., toolbank lends tools to nonprofits, community groups & corporate volunteers doing charitable work, 1215 Gazin St.,



<https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07e9wwgro7d5ce3ee6&oseq=&c=&ch=> Next Opportunity **May 18** care, Houston

**Houston Audubon BIRDING CLASS & FIELD TRIP usually 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Sat. & prior Tues. (except summer)**, birding trips in/outside Houston for ages 12+, see calendar at [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org)  
Next Opportunities **May 23 & May 27**, Topic: Shorebirds, Location: TBD enjoy, bird, Houston

**VOLUNTEER TUESDAYS Tues., 9 – 11 a.m.**, volunteer in demonstration habitat, Environmental Institute of Houston, UH-Clear Lake, 2700 Bay Area Blvd., <http://prtl.uhcl.edu/portal/page/portal/EIH>  
Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** care, garden, Houston

**Houston Audubon MEMBER BIRDING CLASS & FIELD TRIP usually 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Sat. & prior Tues. (except summer)**, birding trips in/outside Houston for ages 12+, see calendar at [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org)  
Next Opportunity **May 27**, Location: TBD enjoy, bird, Houston

**WHITE OAK BAYOU BOARD MEETING 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. (except November), 7 – 8 p.m.**, monthly board meeting of the White Oak Bayou Association, location varies, to attend, call them at 765-426-1743, <http://whiteoakbayou.org>  
Next Opportunity **Jun. 13** learn, meeting, water, Houston

**Houston Zoo MEMBER MORNINGS 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 8 a.m.**, members get in one hour early, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., [www.houstonzoo.org](http://www.houstonzoo.org)  
Next opportunity **Jun. 3**, Topic: Sea Lions enjoy, animals, Houston

**WESTBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN WORK DAY usually 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 12:30 – 4 p.m.**, volunteers tend the garden, 12581 Dunlap, <http://westburycommunitygarden.org/>  
Next Opportunity **May 20** care, garden, Houston



**WESTBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN BOARD MEETING** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., monthly board meeting open to all garden members, Platou Community Center, 11655 Chimney Rock, <http://westburycommunitygarden.org/> Next Opportunity **May 16** [learn, care, garden, meeting, Houston](#)

**YOUR LIVABLE GARDEN Radio Show** Sat., 6 – 8 a.m. KSEV 700 AM & Sun., 9 – 11 a.m. KPRC 950 AM. Next opportunities **May 20/May 21 & May 27/May 28** [learn, Houston, garden, media](#)

**Nature Discovery Center** **MONDAY MORNING GARDENING** 1<sup>st</sup> Mon., 9:30 a.m. – noon (except summer), learn about native plant gardening & assist center, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 5** [learn, care, garden, Houston](#)

**Hogg Bird Sanctuary** **BIRD SURVEY** usually 1<sup>st</sup> Mon., 8:30 - 11 a.m., 1 Westcott St., Contact Aaron at [aandkstoley@yahoo.com](mailto:aandkstoley@yahoo.com) or 713-781-1372, <http://www.houstonaudubon.org/> Next opportunity **Jun. 5** [care, Houston, bird](#)

**Sims Bayou Urban Nature Center** **GIRL SCOUT CLASSES** occasionally during school year, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., birds & bayous for brownies & juniors, 3997 River Dr., [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunity **TBD**, [learn, enjoy, class, kids, bird, water, Houston](#)

**Houston Zoo** **FREE AFTERNOON** 1<sup>st</sup> Tues., noon - closing, (Sep. – May) visit zoo for free, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., [www.houstonzoo.org](http://www.houstonzoo.org) Next opportunity **Jun. 6** [enjoy, animals, Houston](#)

**WOODLAND PARK BIRD SURVEY** usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 7:30 - 9:30 a.m., join group for birding, 212 Parkview, [jason.bonilla@gmail.com](mailto:jason.bonilla@gmail.com) or [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **Jun. 10** [enjoy, walk, bird, Houston](#)



**BUTTERFLY ENTHUSIASTS OF SOUTHEAST TX MEETING** 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. (every other month), 7 p.m., social & lecture at each meeting, Houston Museum of Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.naba.org/chapters/nababest/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 6**, Topic: TBD **learn, meeting, animals, Houston**

**Willow Waterhole Reserve** **BIRD COUNT** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 8 – 11 a.m., <http://wwgc.org/> or [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **May 20** **care, bird, Houston**

**MASTER NATURALIST Monthly Meeting** 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 9 p.m., guest speaker at each meeting, Judson Robinson Jr. Recreation Center, 2020 Hermann Dr., Next opportunity **Jun. 1**, Topic: TBD **learn, lecture, meeting, Houston**

**Hermann Park** **BIRD SURVEY** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. Call Jim or Harlan at 713-932-1639, [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunity **Jun. 12** **care, bird, Houston**

**Houston Galveston Area Council** **PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE Subcommittee Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs, bimonthly, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., 3555 Timmons Lane, Call 713-993-2497, Next opportunity **May 18** **learn, cycle, meeting, Houston**

**EASTSIDE FARMERS MARKET** Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, 300 Richmond Ave. Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** **care, farmers, Houston**

**FOOD POLICY WORKGROUP Monthly Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds., 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Bring your own lunch, Upper Kirby Building, 3015 Richmond Ave, RSVP [jay.crossley@houstontomorrow.org](mailto:jay.crossley@houstontomorrow.org), Next opportunity **Jun, 14** **learn, meeting, Houston**





**HOUSTON URBAN GARDENERS Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 6:30 pm, 1475 W. Gray, 832-345-7333, <http://www.houstonurbangardeners.org/where-we-meet/> Next opportunity **Jun. 12** care, learn, meeting, garden, Houston

**BRAYS BAYOU ASSOCIATION MEETING** 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon., 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., monthly meeting of the association, speaker at each meeting, The Gathering Place, 5310 S. Willow Dr., Contact [bobx206@gmail.com](mailto:bobx206@gmail.com) Next Opportunity **Jun. 19** learn, meeting, water, Houston

**Nature Discovery Center BELLAIRE GARDEN CLUB Meeting** 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs., 7 p.m., 7112 Newcastle St, Bellaire, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/>, Next opportunity **Jun. 1** learn, enjoy, kids, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center NATURALLY WILD FAMILIES** one Sat./month, times varies, outdoor experiences for families with naturalist guide/instructor, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org) Next Opportunity **TBD**, Topic: TBD learn, enjoy, kids, Houston

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary TITMOUSE CLUB** Tues. & Wed, 10 a.m., (Sep. – May), ages 2.5 - 5, stories, hands-on activities, nature walks & crafts, [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunities **May 22/May 23**, Topic: Come Along Camp enjoy, learn, kids, animals, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center BOY SCOUTING CLASSES** occasionally, times varies, boy scouts learn about nature, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org). Next Opportunity **TBD** enjoy, learn, kids, Houston



**HEART & SOUL ACTION GROUP MEETING** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., group supporting simpler living, <http://www.transitionhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **May 25** [care](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center** **GIRL SCOUTING CLASSES** monthly, times varies, girl scouts learn about nature, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org). Next Opportunities **May 20**, Juniors: **9 a.m. – noon**, Flowers; Brownies: **9 – 11 a.m.** WOW Journey & **1 – 3 p.m.**, Bugs; Cadettes: **6 – 9 p.m.**, Night Owls [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center** **TYKE HIKE** some Mon.s, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m., (except **June/July**), kids 18 mo. – 3 with parent, story, craft & stroller-friendly hike, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org). Next Opportunity **May 22** [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [walk](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

**OUTDOOR NATURE CLUB, ORNITHOLOGY Meeting** 1<sup>st</sup> Mon., 6:30 – 8 p.m., 713-664-5206, Bayland Community Ctr, 6400 Bissonet, Speaker each month, Next opportunity **Jun. 5**, Topic: Birding in Cuba [learn](#), [Houston](#), [meeting](#), [lecture](#), [bird](#)

**WESTCHASE FARMERS MARKET** Thurs., 3 – 6 p.m., Parking lot of St. Cyril's of Alexandria Church, 10503 Westheimer Rd. Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** [care](#), [farmers](#), [Houston](#)

**NATIVE PRAIRIES ASSOCIATION of TEXAS Meeting** usually 4<sup>th</sup> Weds. (except Nov./Dec.), 6:45 – 8:30 p.m., McGovern Centennial Gardens, 1500 Hermann Dr., Speaker each month, [HNPAT@texasprairie.org](mailto:HNPAT@texasprairie.org), <https://hnpat.wordpress.com/> Next opportunity **May 24**, Topic: Dragonflies of the TX prairie [learn](#), [meeting](#), [lecture](#), [Houston](#)



**Don Greene Park WORK DAY 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon**, volunteers work to restore new pocket park, 6009 Cypress St., [www.facebook.com/friendsofdongreene](http://www.facebook.com/friendsofdongreene) Next Opportunity **May 20** care, garden, park, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center BIRD WALK 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8 - 10 a.m., (except summer)**, enjoy relaxed guided walk to look for/observe birds, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org) Next Opportunity **TBD** enjoy, walk, bird, Houston

**ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS EXCHANGE Meeting** usually 1<sup>st</sup> Weds., (Feb., May, Aug., Nov.), time varies, potluck meeting to share ideas/resources, location varies, [smithedith@aol.com](mailto:smithedith@aol.com) <http://hunstem.uhd.edu/EEE/> Next opportunity **TBD** Details: TBD learn, meeting, kids, Houston

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### **UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE HOUSTON**

**PIERCE RANCH FIELD TRIP May 27, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, join group outing to ranch, explore habitats & see restoration efforts, Pierce, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> enjoy, walk, garden, outside

**Galveston Island State Park GO FISH! May 20, 9 a.m. – noon**, learn basics of fishing thru fun, hands-on activities, youth & adults, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) learn enjoy, kids, fish, park, outside



**BIRDING 201** **May 20, 9 – 11 a.m.**, free class to educate on bird life in Galveston, Moody Gardens, Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/naturecalendar.asp#/?i=1> **learn, class, bird, outside**

**RUN FOR WELLNESS** **May 21, 8 – 9:30 a.m.**, free 5K in LaPorte, <https://thehwporg.presencehost.net/news-events/event-calendar.html> **enjoy, walk, outside**

**RIVER RESCUE CLASS** **May 28, 8:30 a.m.**, ladies-only event, learn to rescue self & others using rope throw, stuck on rock, swimming in rapids & more, all equipment provided by SouthWest Paddle Sports, Navasota, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> **learn, class, boat, swim, outside**

**SHADOW CREEK RANCH HIKE** **May 20, 9 a.m.**, join group 11mi. hike along bayous along Shadow Creek Ranch Nature Trail, Pearland, meet at parking lot across from trailhead, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/> **enjoy, walk, water, park, outside**

**ENDANGERED SPECIES DAY** **May 19**, learn about the importance of protecting endangered species & what you can do, Galveston, <http://flowergarden.noaa.gov/newsevents/calendar.html> **learn, care, animals, outside**

**COASTAL CONSERVATION BANQUET** **May 18, 6 p.m.**, fundraiser for Coastal Conservation Association, dinner, drinks, auctions, raffles, The Grand Palace, The Woodlands, <http://www.ccatexas.org/> **care, enjoy, fish, beach, water, outside**



**ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING May 17, 1 p.m.**, meeting open to the public for their comments, Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary, Galveston, <http://flowergarden.noaa.gov/newsevents/calendar.html> **learn, care, animals, outside**

**Armand Bayou Nature Center MEET THE BATS May 19, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.**, outdoor presentation, short walk along ponds to watch sun set, listen to night sounds & to look for 3 species of bats that feed nearby, ages 6+. Pasadena, [www.abnc.org](http://www.abnc.org) **enjoy, walk, kids, animals, outside**

**MASTER GARDENER'S DEMONSTRATION May 20**, visit demonstration gardens of fruit growers to learn from the experts, various locations (Santa Fe, La Marque & Dickinson), <http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/> **learn, enjoy, garden, outside**

**Galveston Island State Park SAND CASTLE CONTEST May 28 & May 29, 4 – 5 p.m.**, ocean-inspired sand sculpture contest for families, gear provided, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) **enjoy, kids, beach, park, outside**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD May 19**, deadline to submit public comments on new EPA rules around trichlorethylene & methylene, <https://www.regulations.gov/> **care, pollution, outside**

**DAYLILY FARM OPEN HOUSE May 21**, visit Crainer's Day Lily Farm, Brazoria, <http://www.crainersdaylilyfarm.com/gulf-coast-daylilies.html> **enjoy, garden, outside**

**Galveston Island State Park EDIBLE PLANTS May 20 & May 27, 1 – 2 p.m.**, short presentation followed by guided hike to find edible plants, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) **learn enjoy, garden, park, outside**



**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL** May 20, 10 a.m., senior outing, enjoy all things strawberry, Pasadena, transportation provided from Barbara Bush Library, Spring, <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **enjoy, farmers, outside**

**BACKCOUNTRY NAVIGATION WITH MAP & COMPASS** May 27 & Jun. 10, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., learn to translate map to surroundings, use compass to find your location & put map & compass together to plan a route, Cullinan Park, Sugarland, see classes & events at: [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, walk, outside**

**Katy Prairie Conservancy FRIDAY NIGHT FIREFLIES** May 26, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., explore preserve to view large numbers of fireflies, learn about firefly communication, snacks provided, Indiangrass Preserve, Waller, <http://www.katyprairie.org/25th-anniversary-bash/> **enjoy, learn, animals, walk, outside**

**QUICK START TO KAYAKING** May 21, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., entry level course for all types of kayaks, Sugarland Memorial Park, Sugarland, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **learn, enjoy, class, boat, park, outside**

**COASTAL CONSERVATION BANQUET** May 19, 6 p.m., fundraiser for Coastal Conservation Association, dinner, raffles, auctions, Brazosport College, Lake Jackson, <http://www.ccatexas.org/> **care, beach, water, outside**

**QUICK START TO SUP** May 21, 1 – 3 p.m., entry level course for SUP, low student-teacher ratio for personal attention, Sugarland Memorial Park, Sugarland, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **learn, enjoy, class, boat, park, outside**



**LAKE WOODLANDS PADDLE** **May 19, 5 p.m.**, join group kayaking outing on Lake Woodlands & concert afterward, The Woodlands, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **enjoy, boat, outside**

**REI MOUNTAIN BIKING BASICS** **Jun. 6, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn about gear, safety, trail responsibility, bike maintenance & more, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, cycle, outside**

**INTRO. TO GOLF** **Jun. 7, 8 a.m.**, senior outing, learn to play golf at Cypresswood Golf Course, transportation provided from Barbara Bush Library, Spring, <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **learn, class, outside**

**KAYAK SAFETY & RESCUE CLASS** **May 21, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.**, learn to rescue self & others in emergency on the water, Sugarland Memorial Park, Sugarland, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **learn, enjoy, class, boat, park, outside**

**PADDLE & POTLUCK** **May 20, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**, join group kayaking outing Sugarland Memorial Park, followed by potluck, kid-friendly, Sugarland, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **enjoy, boat, kids, park, outside**

**REI BIKE MAINTENANCE BASICS** **May 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn routine bike maintenance to keep you riding smoothly & prolong the life of your bike, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, cycle, class, outside**



**MOUNTAIN DREAM ALPACAS** **May 17, 8 a.m.**, senior outing, tour Alpaca ranch, transportation provided from Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church, Spring, <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **enjoy, animals, outside**

**DC'S STORMWATER RETENTION CREDIT PROGRAM** **May 23, 1 – 2 p.m.**, webinar provides in depth overview of first ever stormwater retention credit program, [https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter/leading-edge-stormwater-financing-webinars?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter/leading-edge-stormwater-financing-webinars?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) **learn, lecture, water, media, outside**

**DRIVES FOR DUCKS GOLF TOURNAMENT** **May 19, 10 a.m. – 7p.m.**, fundraiser for ducks unlimited, Greatwood Golf Club, Sugarland, <http://www.ducks.org/texas/events/45282/west-houston-dinner> **care, birds, outside**

**CONCERT IN THE PARK** **May 21, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.**, family concert in the park, Northshore Park, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/> **enjoy, park, kids, outside**

**TOMATO CONTEST** **Jun. 3, 10 a.m.**, judges choose best-tasting as well as largest fruits, various categories, Arbor Gate, Tomball, <http://arborgate.com/classes/> **enjoy, garden, outside**

**REI TEXAS! CAMPING BASICS** **Jun. 8, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn TX camping basics: gear & equipment, local activities, regional resources & more, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, camp, outside**

**PADDLING TRIP IN ARKANSAS** **thru May 26**, join group kayaking trip to Arkansas, kayak the Buffalo River, Arkansas, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **enjoy, boat, camp, outside**





**Sea Center Texas FLY-TYING CLASS May 20, 9 a.m. – noon**, learn basics of fly-tying for 3 saltwater flies, 300 Medical Dr, Lake Jackson, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/visitorcenters/seacenter/> **learn, class, fish, outside**

**Galveston Island State Park PAINT PARTY May 20 & May 27, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.**, create nature-inspired art, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) **enjoy, park, outside**

**REI YOGA ON THE LAWN May 16 & May 25, 7 – 8 p.m.**, yoga on the lawn on the Baybrook Mall, Friendswood, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, outside**

**BIKE TO WORK DAY May 19, 6:30 – 9 a.m.**, event to encourage people to try commuting by bike, refreshments provided at two locations, experienced bike commuters to give advice on routes/gear, etc., The Woodlands <http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/Calendar.aspx?EID=5851&month=5&year=2017&day=19&calType=0> **care, enjoy, cycle, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park BITES, STINGS & ITCHES May 20, 10 a.m.**, learn about summer outdoor hazards, learn how to avoid/treat them, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Community/Parks/Jones/Programs> **learn, class, animals, garden, park, outside**

**COASTAL CONSERVATION BANQUET May 18, 6 p.m.**, fundraiser for Coastal Conservation Association, dinner, drinks, auction, raffle, Palacio Maria, Katy, <http://www.ccatexas.org/> **care, beach, water, outside**



**Jesse Jones Park [SNAKES OF HARRIS COUNTY](#) May 20, 1 p.m.**, learn about local snakes, how to identify them & how they benefit us, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Community/Parks/Jones/Programs> **learn, class, animals, park, outside**

**[HELPING BIRDS ALONG THE WAY](#) May 20, 8 - 11 a.m.**, family-friendly bird hikes, bird crafts, bird games & learn how to make your home a bird migratory stopover, Indiangrass Preserve, Waller, <http://www.katyprairie.org/events/?view=calendar&month=May-2017> **enjoy, learn, walk, kids, bird, outside**

**[CONNECTIONS BETWEEN PEOPLE & NATURE: ENDOCRINE DISRUPTERS](#) May 21, 6 p.m.**, free webinar by Aquinas College dean of sciences/sustainability, register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/connections-between-people-nature-endocrine-disrupters-tickets-33151761812?aff=es2> **learn, lecture, media,, outside**

**[HIKE BRAZOS BEND STATE PARK](#) May 27, 8 a.m. – noon**, join group 10 mi. hike in Brazos Bend State Park, Needville, meet in 40-Acre Lake parking lot, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/> **enjoy, walk, park, outside**

**[MASTER NATURALIST TRAINING](#) May 20**, volunteer training & development program covering a variety of topics, such as botany, ecology, geology, weather, climate, animals, & more, various location in Fort Bend & Waller counties, <http://txmn.org/coastal/about-our-chapter/tmn-training-information/> **learn, class, garden, animals, outside**



**CAMPOUT ON THE COLORADO May 27 – May 29**, join group outing to camp & canoe along the Colorado River in TX, LaGrange,  
[http://www.houstoncanooclub.org/content.aspx?page\\_id=87&club\\_id=496051&item\\_id=617821](http://www.houstoncanooclub.org/content.aspx?page_id=87&club_id=496051&item_id=617821)  
**enjoy, camp, boat, outside**

**SKUNKS & ARMADILLOS May 16, 9 & 10:30 a.m. & 12:45 & 2 p.m.**, youth videoconference for grades 1 – 6, students learn body structures, functions & ecological benefits of these animals,  
<https://www.texas-wildlife.org/resources/events/> **learn, class, media, kids, animals, outside**

**PATHWAY CLEAN-UP Jun. 3, 8:30 a.m.**, join volunteers in cleaning up paths in Shadowbend Park, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandsgreen.org/calendar> **care, pollution, park, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park ALL ABOUT ALLIGATORS HIKE May 20, 3 p.m.**, learn about alligators along this hike, meet at Elm Lake restrooms, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org) **enjoy, learn, animals, park, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park WATER ECOLOGY WORKSHOP May 27, 10 a.m.**, learn what lives in the park'[s] waterways in hands-on investigation, ages 10+, Humble,  
<http://www.hcp4.net/Community/Parks/Jones/Programs> **learn, class, animals, fish, kids, park, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park NATURE HIKE May 20 & May 21, 10 a.m.**, guided ½ mile nature hike, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org), **enjoy, walk, kids, park, outside**

**MEMORIAL DAY IN THE PARK May 28, 4 – 9 p.m.**, Memorial Day celebration in Town Green Park, music, kids' activities, entertainers, & fireworks, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/calendar.aspx?view=list&year=2017&month=5&day=28> **enjoy, kids, park, outside**



**Brazos Bend State Park STORY TIME May 20, 11 a.m.**, kids enjoy nature-focused story, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org), [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [outside](#)

**RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP May 20, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**, learn to use a rain barrel, rain barrel kit included in price, Nassau Bay, <http://www.galvbay.org/events/bay-day-festival/> [care](#), [learn](#), [water](#), [outside](#)

**REI WRENCH NIGHT Jun. 10, 1 – 2 p.m. & 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.**, work on your bike alongside expert guide, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [cycle](#), [outside](#)

**RIVER KAYAK CLASS May 27, 8:30 a.m.**, ladies-only event, learn to kayak on creeks, streams & rivers, all equipment provided by SouthWest Paddle Sports, Spring, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> [learn](#), [class](#), [boat](#), [outside](#)

**TENNIS TOURNAMENT May 20, 9 a.m. – noon**, tournament for kids under 10, Bear Branch Park, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/> [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [outside](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science WEEKDAY LABS TBD**, see their website, Sugarland, [www.hmns.org/sugarland](http://www.hmns.org/sugarland) [learn](#), [class](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [outside](#)

**PADDLES & PAWS May 22 & May 29, 2 - 8 p.m.**, explore Lake Woodlands with man's best friend, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/> [enjoy](#), [animals](#), [boat](#), [park](#), [outside](#)



**KAYAK TOURING CLASS** Jun. 4, ladies-only event, learn advanced skills to kayak on big lakes or bays, all equipment provided by SouthWest Paddle Sports, Spring, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> [learn, class, boat, outside](#)

**Brazos Bend State Park WILDLIFE VIEWING** May 21, 1:30 p.m., meet ranger at viewing platform to view wildlife on Elm Lake, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org) [enjoy, learn, animals, park, outside](#)

**BIKE THE WOODLANDS MONTH** May, wide variety of cycling events to celebrate National Bike Month in May, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/> [care, enjoy, cycle, outside](#)

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center FIELD TRIP: BRAZOS BEND STATE PARK** Jun. 3, 8 - 11 a.m., enjoy guided bird watching experience in state park, learn about bird habitat, Needville, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> [enjoy, learn, walk, bird, park, Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science BOY SCOUT CLASSES** dates/times vary, classes for boy scouts of all ages, Sugarland, <http://www.hmns.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/2017-Spring-Schedule-Interactive-Final.pdf> Next Opportunities **TBD** [learn, enjoy, class, kids, outside](#)

**CAMPING/HIKING TRIP TO SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK** May 26 – May 29, join group trip to camp & hike in Shenandoah National Park in Virginia, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/> [enjoy, camp, walk, park, outside](#)

**INTRO. TO PADDLING** Jun. 11, 8:30 a.m., ladies-only event, learn to kayak, canoe & paddleboard, all equipment provided by SouthWest Paddle Sports, Spring, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> [learn, class, boat, outside](#)



**REPTILE LIFESTYLE** **May 25, 9 & 10:30 a.m. & 12:45 & 2 p.m.**, youth videoconference for grades 1 – 6, students learn body structure/functions, how reptiles eat, survive in their habitat & protect themselves from predators, <https://www.texas-wildlife.org/resources/events/> **learn, class, media, kids, animals, outside**

**SPRING CREEK PADDLE TRIP** **Jun. 18, 8:30 a.m.**, ladies-only event, easy 2 – 3 hour trip along Spring Creek, equipment available from SouthWest Paddle Sports, Spring, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> **enjoy, boat, outside**

**Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Garden** **BROMELIAD SHOW & SALE** **May 19 – May 21**, enjoy plant show & purchase plants to take home, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercero/>. **care, enjoy, garden, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park** **BE A MICRO-MONSTER HUNTER** **May 20, 10:30 a.m. - noon**, look through pond water & sort out aquatic organisms, meet at side of nature center, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org), **enjoy, learn, animals, water, park, outside**

## **ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE HOUSTON**

**Mercer Arboretum** **STROLLER STROLLS** **1<sup>st</sup> Thurs., 9 – 10 a.m.**, join other parents to get active in an outdoor setting, monthly tour of the garden with kids in strollers, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Community/Parks/Mercer/Programs> Next opportunity **Jun. 1** **enjoy, kids, walk, garden, outside**



**TEXAS CITY PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAY** 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., volunteers remove invasive species, harvest native seeds, plant marsh grasses & tend butterfly garden, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **Jun. 9** care, enjoy, garden, outside

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** **GIRL SCOUT CLASSES** dates/times vary, classes for girl scouts of all ages, Sugarland, electronics Next Opportunities **TBD** learn, enjoy, class, kids, outside

**Lake Houston Wilderness Park** **FAMILY ACTIVITY** Sun., 2 – 3 p.m., different activity each Sunday, from archery to fly fishing, New Caney, see activities catalog link at: <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/> Next Opportunities **May 21 & May 28** enjoy, learn, kids, park, outside

**ELECTRONICS RECYCLING** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., City of Houston & Compucycle offer recycling of electronics, Ellington Field/Clear Lake Neighborhood Recycling Center, Webster, <http://www.compucycle.net/residential-recycling/collection-events/month.calendar/2017/2/1/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 10** care, recycle, outside

**Lake Houston Wilderness Park** **ANIMAL CLASSES** Sat., 10 – 11 a.m. & 2 – 3 p.m., learn about animals in the park, New Caney, see activities catalog link at: <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/> Next Opportunities **TBD** learn, enjoy, animals, kids, park, outside

**Gulf Coast Bird Observatory** **NURSERY WORK DAY** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers work in wetland nursery in Lake Jackson, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **May 18** care, enjoy, garden, outside



**SEABORNE CREEK BIRD WALK** 1<sup>st</sup> Weds., 8 - 10 a.m. (Nov. – May), join group for birding walk in park, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 7** enjoy, walk, bird, park, outside

**CEDAR BAYOU FRIENDS MEETING** 1<sup>st</sup> Tues., 7 p.m. (every other month), group dedicated to preserving & protecting Cedar Bayou, Roseland Park Pavilion, Baytown, <https://www.facebook.com/cedarbayoufriends> Next Opportunity **TBD** learn, care, meeting, water, outside

**Lake Houston Wilderness Park NATURE HIKE** Sun., 8 a.m., guided stroll with naturalist, meet at Nature Center, New Caney, see activities catalog link at: <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/> Next Opportunities **May 21 & May 28** enjoy, learn, walk, kids, park, outside

**George Observatory SCOUTING at the OBSERVATORY** dates vary, courses for scouts of all ages, Needville, [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) Next Opportunities **TBD** Topic: TBD learn, enjoy, kids, outside

**Galveston Island State Park BEACH EXPLORATION** Sat., 10 – 11:30 a.m., guided exploration of beach, includes seining, searching for crabs and beachcombing, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** enjoy, kids, park, outside

**Seaborne Creek Nature Park PLANT WALK** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8:30 – 11 a.m., educational plant walk with handouts, includes learning session, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 10** learn, garden, walk, outside





**Galveston Island State Park BAY EXPLORATION Sun., 10 – 11:30 a.m.**, guided exploration of bay, includes seining, crab sighting, learning about edible plants & adaptation & more, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) Next Opportunities **May 21 & May 28**  
**enjoy, kids, park, outside**

**PLANT STUDY GROUP 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.**, join group for classroom study on Tuesday, followed by plant walk in park on Saturday, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 6** **learn, enjoy, class, walk, bird, park, outside**

**COASTAL PRAIRIE MASTER NATURALIST Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, social/snacks followed by expert presentation & then chapter business, Rosenberg Civic Center, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/events/> Next Opportunity **Jun. 1**, Topic: TBD **learn, meeting, garden, outside**

**SURF, PADDLE, KAYAK SURFSIDE BEACH daily**, rent surf or paddle boards & kayaks at Surfside Beach, <http://bayoucityadventures.org/> **enjoy, boat, beach, outside**

**COASTAL PRAIRIE MASTER NATURALIST Board Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 10 a.m. - noon**, members invited to attend board meeting, Agrilife Extension Board Room, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/events/> Next Opportunity **May 16** **learn, meeting, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park GARDENING DAZE Weds., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.**, volunteers engage in native plant landscaping & habitat restoration, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** **care, garden, park, outside**



**SEABORNE CREEK NATURE PARK WALK** 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 10 a.m. - noon, guided interpretive walks in park, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **May 27** enjoy, walk, park, outside

**Jesse Jones Park FRIENDS MEETING** 1<sup>st</sup> Fri., 1 p.m. (thru Apr. 7), seniors meet to enjoy programs on natural history, guided walks & fun environmental activities, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunity **TBD** care, garden, animals, park, outside

**Jesse Jones Park BIRDING** 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 7:45 a.m. (thru Apr. 1), join naturalist for walk to glimpse birds, bring your own binos, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunity **Jun. 3** care, garden, animals, park, outside

**Jesse Jones Park INVASIVES BEWARE** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun., 9 - 11 a.m., document & remove invasive plants & animals, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunity **May 21** care, garden, animals, park, outside

**Jesse Jones Park TADPOLES** Weds., 10:30 a.m. or 1 p.m. (March), pre-school children are introduced to nature thru animals, puppets, walks, crafts & stories, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunities **May 17 & May 24** care, garden, animals, park, outside

**SEABORNE DEMO GARDEN WORK DAY** usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds. & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 8:30 – 10:30 a.m., volunteers work in educational demo garden, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **May 17** care, enjoy, garden, beach, outside



**BUCKET BRIGADE INTERPRETIVE BEACH TOURS** daily, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (curing summer), free interpretive beach tours, for all ages, on the half hour, Stewart Beach, plus several other locations (**Thurs. – Sun. only**), Galveston, <http://www.artistboat.org/take-a-tour.html> **learn, enjoy, beach, outside**

**SEABORNE VOLUNTEER DAY** usually 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. & 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Weds., 9 – 11 a.m., volunteers work in gardens, or greenhouse, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **May 24** **care, enjoy, garden, outside**

**SUP RENTALS** daily (**May – Oct.**), rentals & guided stand-up paddle tours in various locations, <http://www.surfsuptx.com/event-calendar/> **enjoy, boat, outside**

**STORMWATER WETLAND PROGRAM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY** Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers propagate plants in nursery at Exploration Green, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake, or at Gulf Coast Bird Observatory in Lake Jackson, Contact [Mcedwards@tamu.edu](mailto:Mcedwards@tamu.edu) for details, <http://www.explorationgreen.org/#!/calendar/c1xzt> Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** **care, garden, water, Houston**

**LADIES SUP CLUB** Fri., 6 p.m., join other ladies for stand-up paddling at Northshore Park, The Woodlands, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> Next Opportunities **May 19 & May 26** **enjoy, boat, park, outside**

**KAYAKING & STAND UP PADDLEBOARDING** normally Thurs. – Mon., 9 a.m. - sunset, kayaks and paddleboards for rent at Riva Row Boat House on Lake Woodlands, The Woodlands,



<http://www.thewoodlandtownship-tx.gov/rivarowboathouse> Next Opportunities **May 18 – May 22 & May 25 – May 29** enjoy, boat, outside

**WILDLIFE for LUNCH** usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 12 - 1 p.m., online course by expert on each monthly topic, offered by Texas Wildlife Association., <https://www.texas-wildlife.org/resources/events/> Next Opportunity **May 18**, Topic: Agricultural Conservation Easements learn, class, media, animals, outside

**SATURDAYS at the GEORGE** Sat., 3 – 10 p.m., stargazing at the George Observatory, Needville, [www.hmns.org/observatory](http://www.hmns.org/observatory) Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** enjoy, outside

**DEER PARK PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAY** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds. & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. - noon, join Houston chapter of Native Prairies Assoc. of TX in work at preserve, 1222 E. Purdue Ln, Deer Park, HNPAT@TexasPrairie.org <https://hnpat.wordpress.com/hnpat-activities/field-trips/> Next Opportunities **May 27 & Jun, 14** care, enjoy, garden, outside

**Jesse Jones Park TAI CHI in the PARK** Weds., 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. beginner class taught by third degree black belt, low impact stretching, range of motion exercises, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/jones/>, Next opportunities **May 17 & May 24** enjoy, park, outside

**DEER PARK BIRD SURVEY** 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 7:30 – 9 a.m., Deer Park Prairie, 1222 E. Purdue Ln, Deer Park, 936-827-7973. Next Opportunity **May 27** care, bird, park, outside

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GREEN THUMB LECTURE** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 10 a.m. – noon, (Jan. – Oct.) Maude Marks Library, 1815 Westgreen Blvd, Katy, register 281-855-5600,



<http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunity **May 20**, Topic: Insects in the Garden **learn, lecture, garden, Houston**

**NECHES RIVER ADVENTURE** Sat., 10 a.m. – noon, (except Dec/Jan) Riverfront Park, Beaumont, boat trip in Big Thicket National Preserve, 409-651-5326 for tickets. Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** **enjoy, boat, outside**

**KINGWOOD FARMERS MARKET** Thurs., 3 – 7 p.m., Town Center Park, 8 North Main St., Kingwood. Next Opportunities **May 18 & May 25** **care, farmers, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park SECOND SUNDAY PICKERS** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 2 – 4 p.m., concert in the park, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/jones/>, Next opportunity **Jun. 11** **enjoy, park, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park VOLUNTEER Meeting** usually 4<sup>th</sup> Mon., 7 p.m., programs on nature, open to all, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/jones/> **learn, meeting, park, outside** Next Opportunity **May 22**

**KATY FARMERS' MARKET** Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, Church of the Holy Apostles, Katy. Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** **care, farmers, outside**

**Attwater Prairie Chicken National Wildlife Refuge ATTWATER PRAIRIE CHICKEN VAN TOURS** 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 8 – 10 a.m., Eagle Lake, Call (979) 234-3021, ext. 221 or 223 Next opportunity **Jun. 3** **enjoy, bird, outside**



**HUNTSVILLE AUDUBON SOCIETY MEETING** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. (except Dec.), Huntsville Service Center, Huntsville, <http://www.huntsvilleaudubon.org/index.html> Next Opportunity **May 18** learn, meeting, bird, outside

**CROSBY FARMERS' MARKET** Tues., 3 - 7 p.m., 311 Wahl St., Crosby Next Opportunities **May 16 & May 23** care, farmers, outside

**PINEY WOODS WILDLIFE SOCIETY Monthly Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Dennis Johnston County Park, 709 Riley Fuzzel Road, Spring, Educational talks & birding information. Call 281-444-6204 for information, Next opportunity **May 16** learn, meeting, lecture, bird, outside

**ELECTRONICS RECYCLING** 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., Kingwood Metro Park & Ride, <http://keepkingwoodgreen.org/LocalRecyclingGuide.html> Next opportunity **Jun. 3** care, recycle, outside

**Kleb Woods Nature Center** **BIRD WALK** Weds., 8:30 – 9:30 a.m., 20303 Draper Rd, Tomball, 281-357-5324. Next opportunities **May 17 & May 24** enjoy, outside, bird, walk

**MARYSEE PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAYS** 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., 220 County Rd. 2077, Hull, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events>, Next opportunity **Jun. 3** care, outside

**KAYAK ADVENTURES** usually Sat./Sun. & occasional Fri./holiday, times vary guided/interpretive kayak trips on Galveston Bay, kids 7+ may accompany parents, includes equipment, Galveston, <https://kayak.destinationnext.com/> Next Opportunities **May 20, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, Location: Coastal Heritage Preserve, **May 21, 10 a.m. – noon & 1 – 3 p.m.**, Location: East



End Lagoon; **May 27, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, Location: Galveston Island State Park, **May 28, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, Location: Christmas Bay; **May 29, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, Location: Drum Bay **enjoy, boat, kids, outside**

**Baytown Nature Center BIRD SURVEY 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 8 a.m. – 9 a.m., (except summer), 6213 Bayway Dr, call (281) 424-9198, [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **May 18** **care, bird, outside****

**Baytown Nature Center TYKE HIKE some Fri., 10 a.m., 6213 Bayway Dr, call (281) 424-9198, <http://www.baytown.org/city-hall/departments/parks-recreation/baytown-nature-center/calendar>, Next opportunities **May 19 & May 26** **care, bird, outside****

**Baytown Nature Center NURTURE NATURE SERIES usually 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 10 - 11 a.m., 6213 Bayway Dr, 281-424-9198, <http://www.baytown.org/city-hall/departments/parks-recreation/baytown-nature-center/calendar>, Next opportunity **Jun. 3** **learn, kids, outside****

**Baytown Nature Center FULL MOON HIKE one Sat./month., start time varies, enjoy 90 minutes guided hike by moonlight, for adults/older children, 6213 Bayway Dr, call (281) 424-9198, <http://www.baytown.org/city-hall/departments/parks-recreation/baytown-nature-center/calendar>, Next opportunity **TBD** **enjoy, walk, kids, outside****

**GROGAN'S MILL FARMERS MARKET Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, 2230 Buckthorn Pl, Spring. Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** **care, farmers, outside****

**Eddie V. Gray Wetlands Center GATOR TALES Weds., 10 - 11 a.m. (summer/winter), fun/educational series for pre-school children & parents, 1724 Market St, Baytown, 281-420-7128,**



<http://www.baytown.org/city-hall/departments/parks-recreation/eddie-v-gray-wetlands-education-center/calendar>, Next opportunity **TBD** [learn, enjoy, kids, outside](#)

**SUGAR LAND FARMERS MARKET** **Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**, Imperial Sugar Land, 198 Sugarland St, Sugar Land. Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** [care, farmers, outside](#)

**CANOEING/KAYAKING/SUP/SURFING** **daily**, rentals, guided tours & lessons available, variety of locations, Bayou City Adventures, 1520 Silver St., <http://bayoucityadventures.org/> [enjoy, boat, outside](#)

**Eddie V. Gray Wetlands Center** **EPIC SERVICE CLUB** **Weds., 4 p.m. (during the school year)**, free service learning club for high school students interested in learning about & solving coastal environmental problems, 1724 Market St, Baytown, 281-420-7128, <http://www.baytown.org/city-hall/departments/parks-recreation/eddie-v-gray-wetlands-education-center/calendar>, Next opportunity **TBD** [learn, enjoy, kids, outside](#)

**Jesse Jones Park** **BICYCLING** **Daily**, trails open for cycling, children must be accompanied, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/jones/> [enjoy, cycle, garden, kids, outside](#)

**CYPRESS CREEK DAYLILY SOCIETY Meeting** **4<sup>th</sup> Sun., 2 - 4 p.m., (except summer)**, learn about gardening with daylilies, Mercer Botanic Garden, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, 281-443-8731 Next Opportunity **May 28** [care, garden, outside](#)

**BRIDGELAND FARMERS MARKET** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.**, parking lot adjacent to the Activity Center in Bridgeland, 16902 North Bridgeland Lake Pkwy, Cypress. Next Opportunity **Jun. 11** [care, farmers, outside](#)





**Armand Bayou Nature Ctr** **BIRD COUNT** usually **2<sup>nd</sup> Sat.**, 7 – 10 a.m., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org). Next Opportunity **Jun. 10** care, bird, outside

**HEARTWOOD MASTER NATURALIST Chapter Meeting** **1<sup>st</sup> Weds.**, 6 – 8 p.m., for members & prospective members, guest speaker at each meeting, W.G. Jones State Forest Education Bldg., 1328 FM 1488, Conroe, <http://woodtmn.org>, Next opportunity **Jun. 7** learn, meeting, lecture, outside

**Katy Prairie Conservancy** **WORK DAYS** **Tues.**, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. and **Fri & Sat**, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., at Indiangrass Preserve, Waller, remove invasives, mulch trails, restore habitat, remove brush, <http://www.katyprairie.org/field-days>. Next Opportunities **May 16, May 19/May 20 & May 23, May 26/May 27** care, garden, outside

**CLEAR LAKE SHORES FARMERS' MARKET** **Sat.**, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., 1020 Marina Bay Dr, Clear Lake Shores. Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** care, farmers, outside

**BIKE RIDES** **various days/times**, join group rides, various locations, organized by Bike Barn locations, <http://bikebarn.com/articles/upcoming-rides-pg66.htm> enjoy, cycle, outside

**Sea Center Texas** **FISH HATCHERY TOURS** **Tues. - Fri.**, 9, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m., **Sat.**, 10 a.m. & 2:30 p.m., reservations needed, 300 Medical Dr., Lake Jackson, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/visitorcenters/seacenter/>, Next opportunities **May 16 - May 19/May 20 & May 23 - May 26/May 27** care, enjoy, kids, fish, outside

**Sea Center Texas** **WETLAND EXHIBIT GUIDED TOURS** **by reservation**, see wetlands animals & learn how to attract wildlife, 300 Medical Dr, Lake Jackson, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/visitorcenters/seacenter/>, Next opportunity **contact them.** care, enjoy, kids, animals, outside



**CHRYSANTHEMUM SOCIETY Meeting** 4<sup>th</sup> Fri., 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., discuss growing chrysanthemums, Mercer Botanic Garden, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, 281-443-8731 Next Opportunity **May 26** care, garden, outside

**Sea Center Texas STORY TIME** Sat. & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri., check calendar, 300 Medical Dr, Lake Jackson, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/visitorcenters/seacenter/>, Next opportunities **May 19, May 20 & May 27** care, enjoy, kids, fish, outside

**PEARLAND FARMERS MARKET** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, Zychlinski Park, 2243 N Grand Blvd, Pearland, Next Opportunity **May 28** care, farmers, outside

**Gulf Coast Bird Observatory BIRD BANDING** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, 103 Hwy 332, Lake Jackson, [www.gcbo.org](http://www.gcbo.org), Next opportunity **May 20** care, bird, outside

**Mercer Arboretum STORY TIME IN THE GARDEN** 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon., 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercero/>. Next opportunity **Jun. 19** enjoy, kids, garden, outside

**SIERRA CLUB Monthly Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Bay Area Community Ctr, 5002 E. NASA Pkwy, Seabrook, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/> Next Opportunity **May 17**, Topic: Screening of Before the Flood documentary care, learn, Houston

**TOMBALL FARMERS' MARKET** Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., 205 W. Main, Tomball Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** care, farmers, outside



**Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Garden** **VOLUNTEER GARDENING** Tues./Thurs., 9 a.m. - noon, prune, weed, groom plants in Perennial Garden, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercer/>. Next opportunities **May 16/May 18 & May 23/May 25** care, enjoy, garden, outside

**Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Garden** **LUNCH BUNCH** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds., noon – 2 p.m., learn about a gardening topic, bring your own lunch, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercer/>. Next opportunity **Jun, 14**, Topic: TBD learn, enjoy, garden, outside

**Sea Center Texas** **YOUTH CATCH & RELEASE FISHING** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds., ages 7 – 16, by reservation only for groups of 10 - 20, 300 Medical Dr, Lake Jackson, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/visitorcenters/seacenter/>, Next opportunity **May 17** care, enjoy, kids, fish, outside

**HIGH ISLAND WORK DAY** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8:30 a.m. – noon, maintain bird sanctuary, lunch provided, 2088 5th St, High Island, Contact [pdeichmann@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:pdeichmann@houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **Jun. 10** care, bird, outside

**Gulf Coast Bird Observatory** **YOUNG ORNITHOLOGISTS** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m., birding & exploring for kids up to 17, 103 Hwy 332, Lake Jackson, [www.gcbo.org](http://www.gcbo.org), Next opportunity **TBD** care, bird, kids, outside

**NASSAU BAY FARMERS' MARKET** Sat., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., 18045 Upper Bay Rd, Nassau Bay. Next Opportunities **May 20 & May 27** care, farmers, outside



**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [GUIDED HIKE](#) Sat., 10 – 11 a.m. & 2 – 3 p.m. & Sun. 2 - 3 p.m., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunities **May 20/May 21 & May 27/May 28** enjoy, walk, outside

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [NATURAL HISTORY DEMONSTRATION](#) 1 – 4 p.m., Sat. & Sun., learn about bayou animals & their habitat, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunities **May 20/May 21 & May 27/May 28** learn, class, animals, outside

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [ECO-SCHOOLERS](#) Weds./Fri., 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. (during school year), class taught by center biologists for kids 7 – 12, course repeats each week on Weds. & Fri., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunities **May 17/May 19**, Topic: Solar Power; **May 24/May 26**, Topic: Aquatics III: Bayou Wetlands learn, kids, animals, water, outside

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [PRAIRIE FRIDAY](#) Fri., 8:30 a.m. – noon, volunteer stewardship of center, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, registration required, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunities **May 19 & May 26** care, garden, outside

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [PONTOON BOAT CRUISES](#) most Sat.s, 8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. and/or 6 – 7:30 p.m.; 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, Fees & registration may be required. <http://www.abnc.org> Next opportunities **May 20 (a.m. & p.m.) & May 27 (a.m. & p.m.)** enjoy, boat, outside

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [ECO-KIDS](#) Weds. & Fri., 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. (during school year), drop-off program for kids 3 – 6, different nature topic each session, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena,



<http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunities **May 17/May 19**, Topic: Alligators; **May 24/May 26**, Topic: Fish **learn, enjoy, class, kids, outside**

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** **GUIDED CANOE TOUR** normally **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat.s, 8 – 11 a.m.**, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, Fees & registration may be required, <http://www.abnc.org> Next opportunity **May 28** **enjoy, boat, outside**

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** **BOY SCOUTING PROGRAMS** usually monthly during school year, times vary opportunity to earn various badges, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunity **TBD** **learn, class, kids, walk, animals, outside**

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** **STEWARDSHIP SATURDAY** **8 – noon, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat.**, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, registration required, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunity **May 20** **care, outside**

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** **ECO-TOTS** alt. Fri., **9:30 – 11 a.m. (during school year)**, adult + kids 18 mo. – 3, different nature topic each session (course repeats for two successive Fri.), includes story/songs/short hike/etc., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunities **May 19**, Topic: Snakes & **May 26**, Topic: Oposums **learn, enjoy, class, kids, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park** **BRAZOS RIVER PICKERS** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 5 – 7 p.m. (Oct. – Apr.)**, bluegrass/old time music in the park, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org) Next opportunity **TBD** **enjoy, park, outside**



**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [GIRL SCOUTING PROGRAMS](#) usually monthly during the school year, times vary opportunity to earn various badges, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunities Juniors: **May 20, 9 a.m. - noon**, Flowers; Daisies: **May 20, 1 – 2:30 p.m.**, Nature Walks **learn, kids, walk, garden, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park** [BIRD WATCHING HIKE](#) usually every other Fri., 8:30 a.m. & certain Sat./Sun. (Jan. – May), 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org) Next opportunity **TBD** **enjoy, bird, walk, park, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park** [GUIDED PHOTO HIKE](#) usually 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., (except Jan.), start time varies, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org), Next opportunity: **Jun. 3, 5 p.m.** **enjoy, photo, walk, park, outside**

[MILLIKAN RESERVE FARMERS' MARKET](#) 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., 19851 FM2154, College Station, Next Opportunity **May 21** **care, farmers, outside**

[BOLIVAR BEACH RAMBLE](#) 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., explore Bolivar Flats Shorebird Sanctuary, [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunity: **Jun. 3** **enjoy, bird, walk, outside**

[ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS EXCHANGE Meeting](#) usually 1<sup>st</sup> Weds., (Feb., May, Aug., Nov.), time varies, potluck meeting to share ideas/resources, location varies, [smithedith@aol.com](mailto:smithedith@aol.com) <http://hunstem.uhd.edu/EEE/> Next opportunity **TBD**, Details: **TBD** **learn, meeting, kids, outside**

[GALVESTON COUNTY AUDUBON MEETING & BIRDING FIELD TRIP](#) usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. & prior Weds., (except Dec.), time varies, various locations, [galvestoncountyaudubongroup@gmail.com](mailto:galvestoncountyaudubongroup@gmail.com),



<http://houstonaudubon.org/programs/calendar.html> Next opportunity (field trip): **May 20, 7:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.** Location: Galveston **learn, meeting, enjoy, walk, bird, outside**