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

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES IN HOUSTON

LEARN TO RIDE CLASSES Aug. 9/Aug. 10, Aug. 16/Aug. 17, & Aug. 23/Aug. 24, 4 – 5 p.m. & 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., and Aug. 12 & Aug. 26, 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m., 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 Audubon SOLAR ECLIPSE WATCH PARTY Aug. 21, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., join group eclipse watching party at Archbishop Fiorenza Park, phase 2, 13551 Westpark, www.houstonaudubon.org **learn, class, bird, kids, Houston**

FILM SELECTION VIEWING PARTY Aug. 18, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., public invited to view 4 – 5 short films & provide feedback to aid in selection of films for Wild & Scenic Film Festival in January, Citizen's Environmental Coalition, 751 Silver St., #111, see events calendar at www.cechouston.org **enjoy, learn, media, Houston**

WHO'S GOT THE POWER – HOUSTON'S ENERGY OUTLOOK Aug. 9, 7:30 – 9 a.m., discussion of how to continue to deliver resources & technology of modern life as world gets smaller, climate more unpredictable, borders uncertain, & populations less settled, Junior League, 1811 Briar Oaks



Ln., <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E13610&id=21> [learn](#), [meeting](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

LAWN PARTY **Aug. 24, details TBD.**, <http://www.memorialparkconservancy.org/support/urban-wild.html> [care](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

USE OF GPS FOR CONSERVATION PLANNING **Aug. 15, 1 p.m.**, webinar explains how to collect, manage & enter data into Natural Resource Conservation Service GIS applications, <http://www.climatewebinars.net/upcoming-webinars-1> [learn](#), [media](#), [lecture](#), [farmer](#), [Houston](#)

WAUGH BRIDGE BAT COLONY TOUR **Aug. 30, 4:30 p.m.**, senior outing, take pontoon boat ride to view bats emerge at dusk, transportation provided from Oaks Presbyterian Church, 1576 Chantilly Ln., <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> [enjoy](#), [boat](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

COMPUTER MODELS FOR AGRICULTURE **Aug. 16, 1 p.m.**, webinar teaches participants how to discern model usefulness & quality in a comprehensive overview of agricultural modeling, <http://www.climatewebinars.net/upcoming-webinars-1> [learn](#), [media](#), [lecture](#), [farmer](#), [Houston](#)

FRIED CHICKEN FESTIVAL AT LEVY PARK **Aug. 12, 4 - 10 p.m.**, enjoy fried chicken in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

OPENNSPECT TRAINING **Aug. 23**, webinar - learn to use OpenNSPECT to understand relationship of land use and water quality, <https://coast.noaa.gov/digitalcoast/training/opensnspect.html> [learn](#), [media](#), [class](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)



REI **DUTCH OVEN CAMP COOKING BASICS** Aug. 8, 7 – 8:30 p.m., learn recipes, tips & different types of dutch ovens, Kickerillo-Mischer Preserve, 20207 Chasewood Park Dr., see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, walk, Houston**

BOATS, BATS & BREWS Aug. 12, 7:30 – 10 p.m., join group for sunset to dark paddle to view bats emerge from Waugh St. bridge, bring your own canoe or kayak, share some beer afterward, meet at Fonde Center parking lot, 110 Sabine St., <http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3&mo=08&year=2017> **enjoy boat, animals, Houston**

Houston Galveston Area Council **WATER QUALITY REPORT PUBLIC COMMENT** Aug. 12, deadline to tender comments on annual water quality report, 3555 Timmons Ln., <http://www.h-gac.com/community/water/quality/> **learn, care, water, Houston**

Houston Zoo **CUB/BOY SCOUT OVERNIGHT** Aug. 18, interactive activities, guided tour, animal meet & greet, dinner/breakfast, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **enjoy, learn, kids, animals, Houston**

REI **CAMPING BASICS** Aug. 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., learn gear & equipment, fun activities, & local areas to camp, 7538 Westheimer, see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, camp, Houston**

Houston Arboretum & Nature Center **ARBORETUM AT NIGHT: DOG DAYS OF SUMMER** Aug. 12, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., enjoy guided hike along arboretum trails with your dog, social afterward with drinks/snacks for both humans and canines, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> **enjoy, walk, animals, Houston**



Houston Arboretum & Nature Center [SWEET SALADS](#) Aug. 19, 10 a.m. - noon, learn to prepare 3 healthy and delicious lunch or dinner salads, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Zoo [BEARS & BREWS](#) Aug. 17, 6 - 9 p.m., young professional event & zoo fundraiser, enjoy light bites, St. Arnold beers, tour the brewery, chat with carnivore keeper, meet education animals, learn about bear care & how zoo reduces paper usage, St. Arnold Brewery, 200 Lyons Ave, <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Galveston Area Council [SOLID WASTE FUNDING PLAN PUBLIC MEETING](#) Aug. 9, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., public can tender comments on municipal solid waste funding plans, 3555 Timmons Ln., <http://www.h-gac.com/community/water/quality/> [learn](#), [care](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

[S'MORES DAY AT LEVY PARK](#) Aug. 10, 5 p.m., girl scouts enjoy s'mores in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office [PESTICIDE RE-CERTIFICATION CLASS](#) Aug.18, 9 a.m. 3 p.m., course to achieve pesticide certification, 3033 Bear Creek Dr., <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. [learn](#), [class](#), [animals](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

[VISIT SEA CENTER TEXAS](#) Aug. 31, 8:30 a.m., senior outing, trip to Sea Center Texas to view aquarium, fish hatchery & nature center, transportation provided from St. Luke's – the Vintage Hospital, 20171 Chasewood Park Dr., <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [recycle](#), [Houston](#)

Hermann Park [GARDEN VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION](#) Aug. 19, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., learn about becoming a regular volunteer in the McGovern Centennial Gardens, includes garden tour, 1500 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> [learn](#), [care](#), [garden](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



Houston Arboretum & Nature Center [ARBORETUM AT NIGHT: SNAKES ALIVE!](#) **Aug. 19, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**, drinks/snacks for adults & kids, guided night hike, learn about snakes & meet some up close & personal, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> [enjoy](#), [walk](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

[HOW TO START A SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY GARDEN](#) **Sep. 9, 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**, learn how to start a school or community garden, University of St. Thomas, 3812 Yoakum, <http://urbanharvest.org/how-to-start-info-session> [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Zoo [COOL NIGHTS](#) **Aug. 11, open until 8:30 p.m.**, zoo open for extended evening hours, enjoy music, outdoor games & more, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [animals](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

[FARMERS MARKET AT ST. ARNOLD'S](#) **Aug. 13, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.**, farm-fresh produce at St. Arnold's beer hall, includes prepared foods, vendors on site until 3 p.m., beer available until 4 p.m., 200 Lyons Ave, <http://urbanharvest.org/how-to-start-info-session> [care](#), [farmer](#), [Houston](#)

[HOUSTON CANOE CLUB MEETING](#) **Aug. 9**, join with other canoe enthusiasts & hear about upcoming events, Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonet, <http://www.houstoncanooclub.org> [learn](#), [meeting](#), [boat](#), [Houston](#)

Buffalo Bayou [BLANKET BINGO](#) **Aug. 17, 6 – 9 p.m.**, bingo fundraiser to benefit the park, Market Square Park, 301 Milam St., www.buffalobayou.org [care](#), [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

[PURPLE MARTIN WATCH EVENT](#) **Aug. 26**, view purple martins at roost in Willowbrook Mall, 12707 N. Gessner, <http://houstonaudubon.org> [enjoy](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)



WETLAND PLANT I.D. Aug. 9 & Aug. 16, 8 a.m. - noon, (Weds. in Aug.), learn from local experts about the 4 families of wetland plants, Sheldon Lake State Park, 14140 Garrett Rd, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> **learn, class, garden, Houston**

Houston Museum of Natural Science **BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR – BUTTERFLY CENTER** Aug. 8, 6 p.m., visit areas not normally open to the public, such as containment room & rooftop greenhouse, tour also includes Hall of Entomology & public portions of the Butterfly Center 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org **enjoy, learn, animals, Houston**

Houston Museum of Natural Science **SUMMER SCIENCE CAMP** Aug. 7 – Aug. 11 & Aug. 14 – Aug. 18, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., ages 6 – 12 learn sensational science on variety of topics, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org **learn, enjoy, kids, Houston**

RESALE SHOP HOP Aug. 29, 9 a.m., senior outing, trip to 3 different resale shops, transportation provided from Fairbanks Library, 7122 Gessner, <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **care, enjoy, recycle, Houston**

EXPLORING THE LINK BETWEEN GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE & AIR QUALITY Aug. 9, 12 – 1:30 p.m., EPA webinar in which experts discuss research into benefits of green infrastructure, <https://www.epa.gov/green-infrastructure/green-infrastructure-webcast-series> **learn, media, garden, tree, Houston**

Buffalo Bayou **WAUGH BAT COLONY BOAT TOUR** Aug. 10, Aug. 12, & Aug. 18, dusk, 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, 1.5 hour tour, from Allen's Landing, 1001 Commerce St., www.buffalobayou.org [enjoy](#), [boat](#), [animals](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Zoo [CAMP ZOOFARI](#) daily (Mon. – Fri. thru Aug. 11), full or half day, summer camp for kids, half day available for ages 4 - 5, full day for 4 – 16, kids learn about the zoo & animals, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/education/camp-zoofari/> [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [class](#), [animals](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Zoo [FAMILY OVERNIGHT](#) Aug. 19, 6 p.m. – 9 a.m. (Aug. 20), experience the zoo after dark, flashlight tour to see nocturnal animals on the move, learn how zoo cares for animals, meet ambassador animals, dinner, snack, & breakfast included, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [kids](#), [walk](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

[GREENS BAYOU MASTER PLAN KICK-OFF](#) Aug. 9, 1 – 2 p.m., meeting to solicit public input on master plan update for Green's Bayou, 12450 Greenspoint Dr., see events calendar at www.cechouston.org [learn](#), [care](#), [meeting](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

Nature Discovery Center [SNEAK A PEEK](#) Aug. 8 - Aug. 10, 10 – 11:15 a.m., pre-schooler class, ages 3 – 5, hands-on & fun learning activities, Topic: Let's explore pond life, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

[SKILLS CLINIC](#) Aug. 12, 9 a.m. - noon, learn bike mechanics, riding, handling, balance, safety, trail etiquette, & various mountain biking skills, includes group trail ride, Memorial Park trails, Memorial & N. Picnic Ln., <http://ghorba.org/events/> [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [park](#), [outside](#)

Discovery Green [COLOR CONDITION](#) Aug. 17, new outdoor art installation opens, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office [MASTER GARDENER CLASS](#) **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Weds. thru Aug. 23)**, learn to be a master gardener, 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd, fun & education for adults/kids, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/> [learn, enjoy, class, garden, Houston](#)

Nature Discovery Center [WHO IS HUNGRY? CAMP](#) **Aug. 7 – Aug. 11 & Aug. 14 – Aug. 18, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**, games, crafts, nature hikes, observation studies & live animal lectures, learn about what animals eat, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> [enjoy, learn, kids, animals, Houston](#)

REI [WOMENS' BIKE MAINTENANCE BASICS](#) **Aug. 15, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**, learn routine maintenance to keep your ride smooth & prolong life of your bike, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at www.rei.com [learn, class, cycle, Houston](#)

Houston Museum of Natural Science [MIXERS & ELIXIRS](#) **Aug. 11, 7 - 10 p.m.**, enjoy the museum with a drink in your hand, and while listening to music, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org [enjoy, Houston](#)

[AN INCONVENIENT SEQUEL](#) **Aug. 10, 6 p.m.**, join group outing to see the film, An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power, Edwards Houston Marq, 7620 Katy Fwy., <https://www.meetup.com/Environmentally/> [learn, media, pollution, Houston](#)

Houston Museum of Natural Science [FACES FROM THE SOUTHERN OCEAN](#) **ongoing**, exhibit of photography of Antarctica, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org [enjoy, photo, animals, Houston](#)



Houston Museum of Natural Science [DINOSAURS OF THE CRETACEOUS](#) **Aug. 16, 6 p.m.**, guided tour of portion of paleontology hall, includes hands-on fossil experience or short classroom presentation, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

[NIGHT HIKES](#) **Aug. 9, Aug. 14, Aug. 16, & Aug. 21, 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](#)

[CONNECTIONS BETWEEN PEOPLE & NATURE: AN ECONOMIST'S VIEWPOINT](#) **Aug. 27, 6 p.m.**, free webinar by Rice economics professor on topic of connections between people & nature, register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/connections-between-people-nature-an-economists-viewpoint-tickets-35842760662?aff=es2> [learn](#), [lecture](#), [media](#), [Houston](#)

[RUN FOR WELLNESS](#) **Sep. 3, 8 – 9:30 a.m.**, free 5K run along White Oak Bayou, The Heights, <https://thehwporg.presencehost.net/news-events/event-calendar.html> [enjoy](#), [walk](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

[WILD ABOUT HOUSTON](#) **Aug. 23, 6:30 p.m.**, short films about work being done in Houston are to save, restore & teach about ecosystems, panel discussion after screening, Rice Media Center, https://www.facebook.com/pg/HoustonGreenFilmSeries/events/?ref=page_internal [learn](#), [media](#), [animals](#), [garden](#), [beach](#), [Houston](#)

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



WILD & SCENIC FILM FESTIVAL Aug. 17, 6 – 9 p.m., films on environmental topics, featuring spectacular scenery, Star Cinema Grill, 114 Vintage Park Blvd. J, <https://txmn.org/coastal/events/> **learn, enjoy, media, Houston**

RUN FOR WELLNESS Aug. 27, 7 – 8:30 a.m., free 5K run, Freedom Park, 18050 Westheimer, <https://thehwporg.presencehost.net/news-events/event-calendar.html> **enjoy, walk, park, Houston**

BABY SQUIRREL ORIENTATION Aug. 19 & Aug. 23, 12 – 1:30 p.m., learn to care for baby squirrels, Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, 10801 Hammerly Blvd., <http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/> **learn, care, class, animals, 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 **enjoy, Houston**

Houston Arboretum & Nature Center SUMMER CAMP Aug. 7 – Aug. 11, 9 a.m. – noon & 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., summer camp for kids, 3 age groups: 5 – 6, 7 – 8, & 9 – 12, Topic: Going, Going, Gone, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> **learn, enjoy, kids, animals, 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, **enjoy, Houston**

Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston NATIVE PLANTS FOR HOUSES OF WORSHIP Sep. 10, 4 – 5:30 p.m., learn to beautify your landscape & save water while caring for wildlife with native plants, University of St. Thomas, Robertson Hall, or online, register at:



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/interfaith-environmental-network-of-houston-native-plants-for-houses-of-worship-tickets-36427417386?aff=es2> **learn, lecture, garden, Houston**

Nature Discovery Center **FAMILY NATURE NIGHT: BACK TO THE BONE** **Aug. 9, 6:30 – 8 p.m.**, snacks, craft, nature walk, kid-friendly presentation about Texas Snakes, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> **enjoy, learn, walk, animals, kids, Houston**

RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP **Aug. 27, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, learn about water conservation & pollution reduction using rain barrels, includes rain barrel kit, St. Arnold's, 200 Lyons Ave, <http://galvbay.org/events/brews-barrels-saint-arnold-rain-barrel-workshop/> **learn, care, class, water, Houston**

GARDEN TOUR **Aug. 13, 6 – 8 p.m.**, garden open house & tour, scavenger game, Westbury Community Garden, 12581 Dunlop, <http://westburycommunitygarden.org/> **enjoy, walk, garden, Houston**

FALL GARDENING CLASS **Aug. 12, 2 – 4 p.m.**, learn basics of gardening & tricks to great production, South Gessner Patrol Station, 8605 Westplace, <http://westburycommunitygarden.org/> **learn, class, garden, Houston**

ECLIPSE AT LEVY PARK **Aug. 21, 12 - 2 p.m.**, experience the eclipse in the park with the lunar & planetary institute, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> **enjoy, park, Houston**

Houston Zoo **CAMP ZOOFARI FOR ADULTS** **Aug. 9, 9 a.m. – noon**, learn about Asian elephants, assist in elephant enrichment & meet their keeper, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **learn, animals, Houston**



WAUGH BRIDGE BAT COLONY TOUR Aug. 30, 4:30 p.m., senior outing, take pontoon boat ride to view bats emerge at dusk, transportation provided from Oaks Presbyterian Church, 1576 Chantilly Ln., <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> [enjoy](#), [boat](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

LIGHT DISTRIBUTION RIDE Aug. 8, 7 p.m., cyclists distribute bike lights to those riding after dark without lights, meet at Bike Houston at 7 p.m., 616 Hawthorne St., <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!/calendar> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

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

Houston Zoo ZOO YOGA Aug. 12, learn how you can make a difference for animals while practicing yoga, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> [learn](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

MEMORIAL PARK CRITERIUM Aug. 9 & Aug. 16, 5 - 8 p.m. (Weds. thru Aug. 30), cyclists race around the Picnic loop at Memorial Park, N. & S. Picnic Ln.s, <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!/calendar> [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

REI WOMEN'S MAP & COMPASS NAVIGATION BASICS Aug. 12, 2 – 4 p.m., learn to find your way using map/compass, learn parts of compass, how to read a topographic map & how to use map & compass together, 17717 Tomball Pkwy, see classes & events at www.rei.com [learn](#), [class](#), [walk](#), [Houston](#)



Houston Zoo FAMILY NATURE CLUB Aug. 18, families observe bats emerge from under Waugh St. bridge, <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **enjoy, learn, kids, animals, Houston**

ESSENTIALS TO MOVE THE NEEDLE FOR GREEN ENERGY Sep. 29, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., webinar examines green energy policies to produce a healthier economy, environment & society, <http://securityandsustainabilityforum.org/> **learn, lecture, media, pollution, Houston**

Houston Zoo GIRL SCOUT OVERNIGHT Aug. 12 & Aug. 25, interactive activities, guided tour, animal meet & greet, dinner/breakfast, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **enjoy, learn, kids, animals, Houston**

HOME-BASED REHABILITATION Aug. 12, 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**

HIT ME WITH YOUR BEST SUNSHOT CONTEST Aug. 17, deadline for photographers to enter photos of solar energy technologies, prizes awarded, https://www.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=4578 **enjoy, photo, Houston**

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES IN HOUSTON



Houston Museum of Natural Science [FEEDING FRENZY](#) **Fri., 9:30, 10 & 10:30 a.m. (thru Aug. 25)**, watch carnivores (snakes, tarantulas, mantises...) dine on their catch, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org, Next Opportunities **Aug. 11 & Aug. 18** [learn, enjoy, kids, animals, Houston](#)

Houston Museum of Natural Science [WING IT!](#) **Tues., 10:30 a.m. (during summer)**, butterfly experts explain a day in the life of a butterfly, the journey of a butterfly from its tropical home to the museum, & witness a butterfly release of a newly hatched butterfly, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org, Next Opportunities **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** [learn, enjoy, kids, animals, 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 [RANGER GAMES](#) **Sat., 2 - 3 p.m.**, see if you can compete with local wildlife in a variety of games (do you have an eagle's eye, or are you wise as an owl?), 14140 Garrett Rd, https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** [enjoy, park, kids, animals, Houston](#)

Houston Museum of Natural Science [OPEN SPACE](#) **Mon. - Fri., 12:30, 1:15 & 1 p.m. (thru Aug. 18)**, be a test pilot for a new way of flying using interactive visualizations of the cosmos, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org, Next Opportunities **Aug. 7 – Aug. 11 & Aug. 14 – Aug. 18** [enjoy, learn, kids, Houston](#)

[MEMORIAL VILLAGES FARMERS' MARKET](#) **Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**, farmers' market, music, kids' activities, food demonstrations, lectures & more, 1st Congregational Church, 10840 Beinhorn Rd., <http://www.mvfarmersmarket.org/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** [care, farmer, kids, Houston](#)



Sheldon Lake State Park LOOKING FOR DRAGONS Fri., 2 - 3 p.m., search for creatures of myth that live in the park, such as dragonflies & damselflies, learn why they are important, 14140 Garrett Rd, https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events Next Opportunities **Aug. 11 & Aug. 18** [learn](#), [park](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

Sheldon Lake State Park ART EXTRAVAGANZA Sat., 11 a.m. - noon, create art inspired by the park, materials provided, 14140 Garrett Rd, https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [park](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Board Meeting 1st 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 **Sep. 5** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

Sheldon Lake State Park COLD-BLOODED CRITTER CRAWL Tues., 2 – 3 p.m., look for creepy, crawly critters in the park & learn about their adaptation & how they fit in the eco-system, 14140 Garrett Rd, https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events Next Opportunities **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** [enjoy](#), [park](#), [kids](#), [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 **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** [care](#), [farmer](#), [Houston](#)

Nature Discovery Center YOGA IN THE PARK Sun., 8:30 a.m., free yoga class (donations accepted) in a beautiful natural setting, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 13 & Aug. 20** [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



PLASTICS IN THE ENVIRONMENT WEBINAR monthly, 1 p.m., webinar series addressing plastics and microplastics in the environment, <https://www.epa.gov/trash-free-waters/trash-free-waters-webinar-series> Next Opportunity **Aug. 29**, Topic: Reducing Plastic Pollution [learn](#), [media](#), [class](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

Sheldon Lake State Park REPTILE HIKE Sun., 11 a.m. - noon, enjoy guided hike to look for reptiles & amphibians, 14140 Garrett Rd, https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events Next Opportunities **Aug. 13 & Aug. 20** [enjoy](#), [park](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [walk](#), [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 Opportunity **TBD** [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](#)

SCIENCE AT LEVY PARK 4th Sat., 2 p.m., (Jul, Oct., Nov., Dec.), kids learn natural science in the park, taught by Houston Museum of Natural Science, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Oct. 28** [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [class](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



PERFORMANCE FOR KIDS AT LEVY PARK 1st, 3rd & 5th Sat., 1 p.m., entertainment for kids in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 19** enjoy, 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 **Aug. 14 & Aug. 21** enjoy, learn, class, park, 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 **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 3rd Sat., 3 p.m. (thru Aug.), workshop in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 19** learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston

DRUM JAM AT LEVY PARK 2nd Sun., 2:30 p.m., enjoy drum concert in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 13** learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston

HOUSTON RENEWABLE ENERGY GROUP MEETING 3rd 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 **Aug. 15**



Houston Museum of Natural Science [STORY TIME IN THE HIVE](#) Mon. - Fri., 11 a.m. (thru Aug. 18), story time in the Cockrell Butterfly center, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org, Next Opportunities **Aug. 7 – Aug. 11 & Aug. 14 – Aug. 18** [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** [care](#), [recycle](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

Sheldon Lake State Park [WHAT'S UNDER THERE](#) Sun., 2 - 3 p.m., use nets to discover creatures that call the ponds home & learn what it takes to make a healthy eco-system, 14140 Garrett Rd, https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events Next Opportunities **Aug. 13 & Aug. 20** [enjoy](#), [park](#), [kids](#), [animals](#), [walk](#), [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/events/event-calendar/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 25** [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 **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** [enjoy](#), [class](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Zoo [ZOO SPROUTS I](#) one Thurs. or Sat./month, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., 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 Next Opportunities **Aug. 22**, Back to School Special Edition [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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** [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 **Aug. 26** [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](#)

VEGAN SOCIETY OF PEACE MONTHLY MEETING 2nd Sat., 6 – 9 p.m., potluck, presentations, food demons, product samples, door prizes & more, HCC, 3100 Main St., <http://www.vegansocietyofpeace.org/vegan2ndsaturdays> Next Opportunity **Aug. 12** [learn meeting, animals, Houston](#)

Discovery Green SCREEN ON THE GREEN varies, family-friendly movie in the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 12, 8:30 – 10 p.m.** [enjoy, media, kids, park, Houston](#)

Houston Zoo ZOO SPROUTS II one Mon. or Sat./month, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., (during school year), kids ages 2 – 3 learn about animals thru hands-on activities & meet/greet live animals, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., www.houstonzoo.org Next Opportunity **Aug. 12**, Topic: Rolling Rhinos & **Aug. 24**, Special Edition: Back to School [learn, enjoy, class, kids, animals, Houston](#)



Discovery Green CORE-FOCUSED YOGA Tues., 6:30 – 7:30 a.m., practice yoga for strength and flexibility, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** [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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** [learn, class, kids, park, Houston](#)

KEEP 5 ALIVE 2nd 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 **Aug. 12** [care, pollution, garden, Houston](#)

Discovery Green CIRCUS ARTS Tues., 6 – 8 p.m., ground arts & acrobatics, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** [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 Next Opportunities **Aug. 16 & Aug. 19**, Topic: Amazing African Painted Dogs [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 [EARLY OPENING](#) **2nd Sat., 8 a.m.**, the museum opens one hour early for members on the second Saturday, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., www.hmns.org, Next Opportunity **Aug. 12**, Featuring: Tours of the Cullen Hall of Gems & Minerals [enjoy, Houston](#)

[PIANO CONCERT AT LEVY PARK](#) **Weds., noon**, enjoy piano concert in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** [enjoy, park, Houston](#)

[OLIVEWOOD CEMETERY CLEAN-UP](#) **3rd Sat., 9 – 11 a.m.**, volunteers remove brush & do landscaping at historic cemetery, 1300 Court St., <http://www.descendantsofolivewood.org/category/events/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 19** [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 for offerings & times [enjoy, learn, media Houston](#)

Bike Houston [BOARD MEETING](#) **2nd Tues., 7 – 8 p.m.**, board meeting open to public, Central Market, 3815 Westheimer, <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!calendar> Next Opportunity **TBD** [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 **Aug. 11 & Aug. 18** [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 **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** [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 **Aug. 12** 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 Next Opportunity **Aug. 23** 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 **Aug. 19** 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 **Aug. 11 – Aug. 13 & Aug. 18 – Aug. 20** 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](#) 3rd Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., cyclist get-together, location varies, partners each month with a like-minded organization, www.bikehouston.org Next Opportunity **Aug. 17**, Location: TBD [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

[PLANT PROPAGATION PROGRAM](#) 2nd & 4th 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 **Aug. 10** [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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** [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 **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** [enjoy](#), [park](#), [garden](#), [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 Next Opportunities **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** [learn](#), [Houston](#)



Sheldon Lake State Park BIRD SURVEY 3rd Sat. (Sep. – May), bird survey in the park, contact Hannah.Buschert@tpwd.texas.gov for details, 14140 Garrett Rd. Next Opportunity **TBD** [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 **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** [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 for details, <http://www.explorationgreen.org/#!calendar/c1xzt> Next Opportunities **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** [care](#), [garden](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

WILDLIFE for LUNCH usually 3rd 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 **Aug. 17**, Topic: The Importance of Record Keeping in Wildlife Management Valuation [learn](#), [class](#), [media](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)

Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary FAMILY WORK DAY usually 4th Sat., 9 a.m. – noon (except summer), maintain bird sanctuary, children 5+ welcome, 440 Wilchester Blvd., register with bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org, www.houstonaudubon.org Next opportunity **TBD** [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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston

Exploration Green WORK DAY 2nd & 4th Sat., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers plant along shores of the new lake, 1800 Reseda, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **Aug. 12** care, walk, park, outside

PHOTO WORKSHOP AT LEVY PARK 1st & 3rd 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 **Aug. 17** learn, enjoy, class, photo, 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 **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** 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 **Aug. 11 & Aug. 18** 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

Discovery Green SALSA CLASSES Thurs., 7 - 8 p.m., learn Latin dancing, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** enjoy, class, park, 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 **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** care, garden, park, Houston

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

Buffalo Bayou VOLUNTEER DAY 3rd or 4th 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 **Aug. 19** care, park, water, Houston

Buffalo Bayou 2nd SATURDAY BOAT RIDE usually 2nd Sat., time varies seasonally 30 minute boat rides along Buffalo Bayou, from 150 Sabine St., www.buffalobayou.org Next Opportunity **Aug. 19** enjoy, boat, park, Houston

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GREEN THUMB LECTURE (Jan – Oct.): 2nd Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Barbara Bush Library, 6817 Cypresswood Dr., **3rd Tues., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Spring Branch Memorial Library, 930 Corbindale, **3rd Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Ln, register 281-855-5600, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunities **Aug. 10, Aug. 15, & Aug. 17**, respectively, Topic: Fall Vegetables 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 **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** enjoy, cycle, park, Houston



Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary NATURE EXPLORERS CLUB usually 3rd 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, www.houstonaudubon.org Next opportunity **TBD, Topic: TBD **learn, enjoy, kids, Houston****

Buffalo Bayou WALKING TOUR usually 3rd Sat., (time varies seasonally) guided tour by naturalist, meet at Water Works, 105 Sabine St., www.buffalobayou.org Next Opportunity **TBD **enjoy, park, water, walk, Houston****

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

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GARDENS LECTURE (Jan – Oct.): 2nd Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Genoa Friendship Garden, 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd., <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunity **Aug. 10, Topic: Attracting Bluebirds to Your Garden **learn, lecture, garden, Houston****

Discovery Green GREEN FLEA BY NIGHT usually 3rd Sat., 6 – 10 p.m., flea market, artful kitsch, vintage items, recycled/repurposed, collectibles & more, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/flea> Next Opportunity **Aug. 19 **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 **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15 **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://houstonarboretum.org/> Next Opportunity **TBD** [learn, class, kids, 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](#)

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. 18th St., see calendar at www.cechouston.org Next Opportunity **TBD** [learn, meeting, Houston](#)

BIRD WALK 2nd 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 **TBD**, Topic: **TBD** [learn, class, kids, Houston](#)

POETRY AT LEVY PARK 1st Fri., 7 - 8 p.m., teens perform poetry, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Sep. 1** [enjoy, kids, park, Houston](#)



ECO-OLOGY Tues., 3 – 4 p.m., **EXPLORATION** Mon. 5 – 6 a.m., **VEGAN WORLD** Tues., 8 – 9 p.m., KPFT. Next opportunities **Aug. 8, Aug. 14, Aug. 15, & Aug. 21** [learn](#), [care](#), [media](#), [Houston](#)

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

TOUR DE TACO 1st Fri., 6:45 p.m., join group ride leaving from Market Square Park, 301 Milam St., <http://www.meetup.com/HoustonCyclingClub/> Next Opportunity **Sep. 1** [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [outside](#)

Houston Arboretum & Nature Ctr **BIRD COUNT** 3rd Sat., 8 – 10 a.m., meet in front of center to document birds in arboretum, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://houstonarboretum.org/> Next Opportunity: **Aug. 19** [care](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

Wildlife Center **VOLUNTEER TRAINING** usually 3rd Sat., 10 – 11:30 a.m., (except Nov./Dec.) 7007 Katy Rd, 713 861-9453, <http://www.wildlifecenteroftexas.org/>. Next opportunity **Aug. 19** [learn](#), [care](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#), [class](#)

SIERRA CLUB Monthly Meeting 2nd Thurs., 7 – 10 p.m., St. Stephen's Pecore Hall, 1805 W. Alabama, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 10**, Topic: Bee2Bee Honey Collective [care](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Galveston Area Council **PARKS & NATURAL AREAS Meeting** 2nd Mon., 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., discussion of parks/natural areas in 13-county region, 3555 Timmons Ln., justin.bower@h-gac.com Next Opportunity **Aug. 14** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



PROJECT BLAZING STAR usually 1st & 2nd 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 **Aug. 12** care, garden, Houston

NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Monthly Meeting 2nd Mon., 6:45 p.m., University of Houston – Clear Lake, Clear Lake <http://npsot.org/wp/houston/> Next opportunity **Aug. 14**, Topic: TBD learn, meeting, lecture, garden, Houston

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

BAYOU RIDE 1st 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 Next Opportunity **Sep. 3** enjoy, cycle, water, Houston

Houston Galveston Area Council **LIVABLE HOUSTON INITIATIVE** 4th 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 Next Opportunity **Aug. 23** learn, meeting, park, Houston

LOCAL ECONOMY ACTION GROUP Meeting 2nd Weds., 6:30 p.m., seedbed for approaches to sustainable businesses, Start Houston, 1121 Delano St., Next Opportunity **Aug. 9** care, meeting, learn, Houston

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY RECYCLING COALITION 2nd Thurs., 12 – 1:30 p.m., webinar shares information among those working on waste reduction on college campuses,



<http://curc3r.org/webinars/2017-webinar-series/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 10**, Topic: Engaging the Campus to Improve Recycling Participation **learn, media, pollution, Houston**

BAT CHAT 1st, 3rd, & 4th Fri., 30 min. before sunset, Waugh Street Bridge Allen Pkwy & Waugh, www.waughbatmonitor.org Next Opportunities **Aug. 18** **learn, enjoy, animals, Houston**

Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary **RUMMEL CREEK STREAM TEAM WORK DAY** 4th Sat., (in season) remove invasives/litter, plants natives, 440 Wilchester Blvd., contact bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org, 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 Next Opportunity **TBD**, Topic: TBD **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 Next Opportunity **TBD** **care, farmers, Houston**

TRANSITION HOUSTON Monthly Meeting usually 1st Tues., 7 – 9 p.m., Group supports transition from oil dependency to local resilience, location varies, www.transitionhouston.org Next Opportunity **Aug. 8** **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, www.houstonaudubon.org Next opportunities **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** **care, walk, Houston**



Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center [VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION](#) usually 2nd Sat., 10 – 11:30 a.m., learn to care for animals in center, 10801 Hammerly Blvd., <http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 12** care, learn, class animals, Houston

[NATURE PHOTO ASSOC Meeting](#) usually 3rd 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 **TBD**, Topic: TBD enjoy, photo, bird, Houston

[HOUSTON CLIMATE PROTECTION ALLIANCE Meeting](#) usually 2nd Sun., 1:15 p.m., speakers on climate science, 1st Unitarian Church, 5200 Fannin, <http://www.houstonclimateprotection.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 13** learn, meeting, pollution, Houston

Houston Audubon [ARCHBISHOP FIORENZA PARK BIRD SURVEY](#) usually 4th Weds., 8 a.m., join group to survey birds, 13551 Westpark, maweber@houstonaudubon.org, www.houstonaudubon.org, Next Opportunity **Aug. 23** care, enjoy, walk, park, bird, Houston

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office [OPEN GARDEN DAY](#) 4th Tues., (except Dec.), 8:30 – 11 a.m., workshop & childrens' activity at 10 a.m., self-guided garden tours, 3033 Bear Creek Dr., 1st & 3rd Mon, 8:30 – 11 a.m., 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd, fun & education for adults/kids, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 22 & Aug. 21**, 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, www.houstonaudubon.org Next opportunities **Aug. 11 & Aug. 18** care, garden, Houston



CITIZENS' TRANSPORTATION COALITION Meeting 3rd Thurs., 5:30 p.m., group focusing on public transportation, Rudyard's Pub, 2010 Waugh, <http://www.ctchouston.org/wordpress/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 17** [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 **Aug. 25** [care](#), [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

BAYOU BIKERS 1st Sun., 8 a.m., meet at Market Square, bike 25 – 40 miles. <http://www.marketsquarepark.com/calendar/> Next opportunity **Sep. 3** [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Arboretum & Nature Center **PHENOLOGY WALK** 2nd & 4th Sat., 9 a.m., guided walk along phenology trails, 4501 Woodway Dr., Next Opportunity **Aug. 12** [learn](#), [walk](#), [Houston](#)

Rice University FARMERS MARKET Tues., 3:30 – 6:30 p.m., 5491 Greenbriar. Next Opportunities **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** [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, Next opportunity **Aug. 29**, Location: Kleb Woods [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [walk](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Monthly Meeting 3rd Thurs., 6:45 – 9:30 p.m., **Houston Arboretum & Nature Center**, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://npsot.org/wp/houston/> Next opportunity **Aug. 17**, Topic: Gardening tips for growing native plants [learn](#), [meeting](#), [lecture](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)



HOUSTON RE-MARKET 4th Sat., 11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., 4302 Harrisburg Blvd, Sustainable crafts, garage sales, swap meet, and recycling drop-off, Next opportunity **Aug. 26** 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 Opportunity **TBD** learn, enjoy, class, kids, Houston

Nature Discovery Center **NATURE STORY TIME** Weds., 4 – 4:30 p.m., pre-schoolers & caregivers enjoy stories, puppets, specimens, songs & more, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** enjoy, kids, Houston

GREATER EAST END FARMERS' MARKET Sun., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., 2700 block of Navigation, across from Ninfa's. Next opportunities **Aug. 13 & Aug. 20** 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** 1st Sat., 10 – 11 a.m. guided tree walks in park to learn to identify trees, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Sep. 2** 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 **Aug. 7 – Aug. 11 & Aug. 12, & Aug. 14 – Aug. 18 & Aug. 19** [learn](#), [Houston](#), [outside](#), [park](#), [animals](#), [media](#)

HOUSTON COMMUNITY TOOLBANK WAREHOUSE TOUR 3rd Thurs., 9 – 10 a.m., toolbank lends tools to nonprofits, community groups & corporate volunteers doing charitable work, 1215 Gazin St., <http://www.houstontoolbank.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 17** [care](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Audubon BIRDING CLASS & FIELD TRIP usually 3rd or 4th Sat. & prior Thurs., birding class at the Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary, 440 Wilchester Blvd., followed by birding trips in/outside Houston for ages 12+, see calendar at www.houstonaudubon.org Next Opportunities **Aug. 17 & Aug. 19**, Topic: Habitat Gardening & Landscaping to Benefit Birds, 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 **Aug. 8 & Aug. 15** [care](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

WHITE OAK BAYOU BOARD MEETING 2nd 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 **Aug. 8** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Zoo MEMBER MORNINGS 1st Sat., 8 a.m., members get in one hour early, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., www.houstonzoo.org Next opportunity **Sep. 2**, Topic: TBD [enjoy](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)



WESTBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN WORK DAY usually 4th Sat., 12:30 – 4 p.m., volunteers tend the garden, 12581 Dunlap, <http://westburycommunitygarden.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 26** [care](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

WESTBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN BOARD MEETING 3rd 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 **Aug. 15** [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 **Aug. 12/Aug. 13 & Aug. 19/Aug. 20** [learn](#), [Houston](#), [garden](#), [media](#)

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

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

Houston Zoo **FREE AFTERNOON** 1st Tues., noon - closing, (Sep. – May) visit zoo for free, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., www.houstonzoo.org Next opportunity **Sep. 5** [enjoy](#), [animals](#), [Houston](#)



WOODLAND PARK BIRD SURVEY usually 2nd Sat., 7:30 - 9:30 a.m., join group for birding, 212 Parkview, jason.bonilla@gmail.com or www.houstonaudubon.org, Next opportunity **Aug. 12** enjoy, walk, bird, Houston

BUTTERFLY ENTHUSIASTS OF SOUTHEAST TX MEETING 1st 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 **Oct. 3** learn, meeting, animals, Houston

Willow Waterhole Reserve BIRD COUNT 3rd Sat., 8 – 11 a.m., <http://wwgc.org/> or www.houstonaudubon.org, Next opportunity **Aug. 19** care, bird, Houston

MASTER NATURALIST Monthly Meeting 1st Thurs., 6:30 – 9 p.m., guest speaker at each meeting, Judson Robinson Jr. Recreation Center, 2020 Hermann Dr., Next opportunity **Sep. 7**, Topic: TBD learn, lecture, meeting, Houston

Hermann Park BIRD SURVEY 2nd Mon., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. Call Jim or Harlan at 713-932-1639, www.houstonaudubon.org, Next Opportunity **Aug. 14** care, bird, Houston

Houston Galveston Area Council PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE Subcommittee Meeting 3rd Thurs., bimonthly, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., 3555 Timmons Lane, Call 713-993-2497, Next opportunity **Sep. 21** learn, cycle, meeting, Houston

EASTSIDE FARMERS MARKET Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, 300 Richmond Ave. Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** care, farmers, Houston



FOOD POLICY WORKGROUPO Monthly Meeting 2nd Weds., 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Bring your own lunch, Upper Kirby Building, 3015 Richmond Ave, RSVP jay.crossley@houstontomorrow.org, Next opportunity **Aug. 9** [learn, meeting, Houston](#)

HOUSTON URBAN GARDENERS Meeting 2nd Mon., 6:30 pm, 1475 W. Gray, 832-345-7333, <http://www.houstonurbangardeners.org/where-we-meet/> Next opportunity **Aug. 14** [care, learn, meeting, garden, Houston](#)

BRAYS BAYOU ASSOCIATION MEETING 3rd 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 Next Opportunity **Aug. 21** [learn, meeting, water, Houston](#)

Nature Discovery Center BELLAIRE GARDEN CLUB Meeting 1st Thurs., 7 p.m., 7112 Newcastle St, Bellaire, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/>, Next opportunity **Sep. 7** [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 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, www.houstonaudubon.org, Next Opportunity **TBD**, Topic: TBD [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. Next Opportunity **TBD** [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

HEART & SOUL ACTION GROUP MEETING 2nd & 4th Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., group supporting simpler living, <http://www.transitionhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 10** [care](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Arboretum & Nature Center GIRL SCOUTING CLASSES monthly, times varies, girl scouts learn about nature, 4501 Woodway Dr, www.houstonarboretum.org. Next Opportunities **TBD** [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. Next Opportunity **TBD** [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [walk](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

OUTDOOR NATURE CLUB, ORNITHOLOGY Meeting 1st Mon., 6:30 – 8 p.m., 713-664-5206, Bayland Community Ctr, 6400 Bissonnet, Speaker each month, Next opportunity **TBD**, Topic: TBD [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 **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** [care](#), [farmers](#), [Houston](#)

NATIVE PRAIRIES ASSOCIATION of TEXAS Meeting usually 4th Weds. (except Nov./Dec.), 6:45 – 8:30 p.m., McGovern Centennial Gardens, 1500 Hermann Dr., Speaker each month,



HNPAT@texasprairie.org, <https://hnpat.wordpress.com/> Next opportunity **Aug. 23**, Topic: TBD **learn, meeting, lecture, Houston**

Discovery Green **SUNDOWN AT THE GROVE** **Weds., 5:30 - 8 p.m., (thru Aug. 30)**, sample local craft beer & enjoy food pairings while DJ plays music, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** **enjoy, park, Houston**

Don Greene Park **WORK DAY** **3rd Sat., 9 a.m. – noon**, volunteers work to restore new pocket park, 6009 Cypress St., www.facebook.com/friendsofdongreene Next Opportunity **Aug. 19** **care, garden, park, Houston**

HOUSTON CANOE CLUB MEETING **2nd Weds., 7 p.m.**, meeting of canoeing enthusiasts, Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St. <http://www.houstoncanoecub.org/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 9** **learn, meeting, boat, Houston**

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

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS EXCHANGE Meeting **usually 1st Weds., (Feb., May, Aug., Nov.), time varies**, potluck meeting to share ideas/resources, location varies, 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

REI CAMPING BASICS Aug. 15, 7 – 8:30 p.m., learn about gear & equipment, fun activities & local areas to camp, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, camp, outside**

RUN FOR WELLNESS Aug. 20, 7 – 8:30 a.m., free 5K run, San Jacinto Monument, LaPorte, <https://thehwporg.presencehost.net/news-events/event-calendar.html> **enjoy, walk, park, outside**

USE OF GPS FOR CONSERVATION PLANNING Aug. 15, 1 p.m., webinar explains how to collect, manage & enter data into Natural Resource Conservation Service GIS applications, <http://www.climatewebinars.net/upcoming-webinars-1> **learn, media, lecture, farmer, outside**

HIKE LONE STAR TRAIL Aug. 12, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., join group 9 mile hike along Lone Star Trail, Cleveland, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/> **enjoy, walk, outside**

REI FIND YOUR PARK: BIG BEND NATIONAL PARK Aug. 16, 7 – 8:30 p.m., discover one of the best spots to recreate in Texas, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, walk, camp, outside**

George Observatory PERSEID METEOR SHOWER Aug. 12, 3 p.m. – Aug, 13, 2 a.m., enjoy viewing long tails & beautiful shooting stars, telescopes available, Needville, www.hmns.org/observatory **enjoy, outside**



Galveston Island State Park GO FISH! Aug. 19, 9 a.m. - noon, youth & adults learn the basics of fishing thru fun, hands-on activities, equipment & bait provided or bring your own, Galveston, http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events **learn, enjoy, class, fish, park, outside**

George Observatory ROCKET DAY FOR KIDS Aug. 26, 10 a.m. – noon, kids construct & launch water rockets, take trip to the moon, Needville, www.hmns.org/observatory **enjoy, learn, kids, outside**

ESSENTIALS TO MOVE THE NEEDLE FOR GREEN ENERGY Sep. 29, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., webinar examines green energy policies to produce a healthier economy, environment & society, <http://securityandsustainabilityforum.org/> **learn, lecture, media, pollution, outside**

George Observatory MEMBERS NIGHT Aug. 11, 8 - 10 p.m., enjoy evening under the stars, astronomers assist with viewing thru telescopes, Needville, www.hmns.org/observatory **enjoy, outside**

EXPLORING THE LINK BETWEEN GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE & AIR QUALITY Aug. 9, 12 – 1:30 p.m., EPA webinar in which experts discuss research into benefits of green infrastructure, <https://www.epa.gov/green-infrastructure/green-infrastructure-webcast-series> **learn, media, garden, tree, outside**

FUNDRAISER DINNER Aug. 11, 6 – 10 p.m., fundraiser dinner for ducks unlimited, raffles, auctions, drawings & dinner, American Legion Hall, Somerville, <http://www.ducks.org> **care, bird, outside**

REI LEARN TO CLIMB Aug. 9 & Aug. 16, 6 – 9 p.m., and Aug. 19, 1 – 4 p.m., learn to climb, package includes instruction and two-week membership at Momentum, Katy, see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, climb, outside**



Galveston Island State Park TURTLE PATROL Aug. 11 & Aug. 18, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., (Fri. in summer), volunteers assist rangers in their beach patrol for turtles, meet at day use picnic area, Galveston, http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events **care, learn, enjoy, beach, animals, park, outside**

Houston Galveston Area Council PLANNING FOR SEA LEVEL RISE WORKSHOP Aug. 8, 8:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., participants learn about sea level rise, how to interpret sea level data & discuss how to address, U.T. Marine Science Institute, Port Aransas, <http://texasseagrant.org/events/event/resilient-texas-planning-for-sea-level-rise/> **learn, meeting, water, outside**

PADDLE SAN MARCOS RIVER Aug. 12, join with other canoe enthusiasts to paddle the San Marcos River, stop to swim, play & for lunch, meet at San Marcos River Ranch, Martindale, <http://www.houstoncanooclub.org> **enjoy, swim, boat, outside**

Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston NATIVE PLANTS FOR HOUSES OF WORSHIP Sep. 10, 4 – 5:30 p.m., learn to beautify your landscape & save water while caring for wildlife with native plants, University of St. Thomas, Robertson Hall, or online, register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/interfaith-environmental-network-of-houston-native-plants-for-houses-of-worship-tickets-36427417386?aff=es2> **learn, lecture, garden, outside**

PADDLE LAKE WOODLANDS Aug. 19, 5 p.m., join group kayaking on Lake Woodlands, followed by a concert, meet at Riva Row Boat House, The Woodlands <https://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **enjoy, boat, outside**



RIVER RESCUE CLASS Aug. 27, 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**

FUNDRAISER DINNER Aug. 18, 6 – 10 p.m., fundraiser dinner for ducks unlimited, raffles, dinner & drinks, American Legion Hall, Giddings, <http://www.ducks.org> **care, bird, outside**

QUICK START TO KAYAKING CLASS Aug. 20, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., short training to learn basics as well as safety, Sugarland Memorial Park, Sugarland <https://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **learn, enjoy, class, boat, outside**

LADIES RIDE Aug. 8 & Aug. 15, 6 – 7:30 p.m., ladies mountain bike ride, Sugarland Trails, Sugarland, <http://ghorba.org/events/> **enjoy, cycle, park, outside**

OPENNSPECT TRAINING Aug. 23, webinar - learn to use OpenNSPECT to understand relationship of land use and water quality, <https://coast.noaa.gov/digitalcoast/training/opensnspect.html> **learn, media, class, water, outside**

Houston Museum of Natural Science MEMBER EVENT Aug. 12, 10 a.m., members get a free dig pit ticket, Sugarland, www.hmns.org/sugarland **enjoy, kids, outside**

QUICK START TO STAND-UP PADDLEBOARDING CLASS Aug. 20, 1 – 3 p.m., short training to learn to handle a stand-up paddleboard, Sugarland Memorial Park, Sugarland <https://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **learn, enjoy, class, boat, outside**



CAMP OUT AT HIDALGO FALLS Aug. 12, 9 a.m., ladies-only event, enjoy day of water fun, bring kayaks, canoes, & water play toys, equipment rental available from SouthWest Paddle Sports, Navasota, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> enjoy, boat, swim, outside

KAYAK SAFETY & RESCUE CLASS Aug. 20, 3 – 5 p.m., short training to learn to handle kayak in an emergency situation, Sugarland Memorial Park, Sugarland <https://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> learn, enjoy, class, boat, outside

George Observatory BABY BOOMERS Aug. 26, 11 a.m. – noon, kids 3 – 7, accompanied by adult, learn about & build water rockets, Needville, www.hmns.org/observatory enjoy, learn, kids, outside

LEARN TO SURF Aug. 12, 9 a.m.. - 4 p.m., join group outing to learn to surf, Surfside Beach, <https://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> enjoy, swim, outside

GET INTO YOUR SANCTUARY DAY Aug. 12, nation-wide celebration of national marine sanctuaries, Galveston, <http://flowergarden.noaa.gov/newsevents/calendar.html> enjoy, animals, water, outside

TEXAS OUTDOOR WOMEN'S NETWORK MEETING Aug. 14, 7 p.m., ladies-only event, members of Texas Outdoor Women's Network meet at Pallotta's Italian Grill, Conroe, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> learn, meeting, outside

PADDLE ST. BERNARD RIVER Aug. 13, 9 a.m., join group outing to fish, canoe/kayak, bike, geocache, bird watch & more, family-friendly, Kendleton, <https://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> enjoy, boat, fish, kids, cycle, photo, outside



COMPUTER MODELS FOR AGRICULTURE Aug. 16, 1 p.m., webinar teaches participants how to discern model usefulness & quality in a comprehensive overview of agricultural modeling, <http://www.climatewebinars.net/upcoming-webinars-1> **learn, media, lecture, farmer, outside**

MASS CORAL SPAWNING Aug. 13 – Aug. 16, reef-building corals at Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary spawn, in one of the most abundant spawning displays, Galveston, <http://flowergarden.noaa.gov/newsevents/calendar.html> **enjoy, animals, water, outside**

Houston Galveston Area Council BACTERIA REDUCTION PROJECT MEETING Aug. 10, 3 – 5 p.m., stakeholder engagement to develop plan to reduce bacteria in the San Jacinto-Brazos Coast Basin, Brazoria County Public Library, Alvin, <http://www.h-gac.com/community/water/tmdl/san-jacinto-brazos-coastal-basin-tmdl-and-implementation-plan.aspx> **learn, meeting, water, outside**

Galveston Island State Park SUNSET PADDLE Aug. 12 & Aug. 26, 5:30 – 8 p.m., guided kayak paddle, gear provided, adults only, Galveston, http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events **enjoy, boat, park, outside**

Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Garden SUMMER GARDEN CLUB Aug. 26, 10 a.m. – noon (monthly thru Sep. 16, usually 3rd Sat.), hands-on workshop led by experts on topics related to gardening or handicraft, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercer/> **learn, class, garden, outside**

HIKE GEORGE MITCHELL PRESERVE Aug. 19, 9 a.m., join group 11 mile hike along trails in the George Mitchell Preserve, meet at Rob Fleming Park, The Woodlands, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/> **enjoy, walk, park, outside**



Galveston Island State Park [GEOCACHING 101](#) Aug. 12, 1 – 2 p.m., learn high-tech treasure hunting basics, family fun, Galveston, http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events **learn, enjoy, walk, kids, park, outside**

[FUNDRAISER BANQUET](#) Aug. 10, 6 p.m., fundraiser for Coastal Conservation Association, dinner, drinks, auctions & raffles, Raveneaux Country Club, Spring, <http://www.ccatexas.org/> **care, fish, kids, outside**

[WATER WELL SCREENING](#) Aug. 26, 1 – 5 p.m., opportunity for well owners to get their well water tested; water sample containers can be picked up at several locations, then bring sample to Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District, Conroe; <http://twon.tamu.edu> **learn, care, water, outside**

[BLACKWOOD NATURE CAMP](#) Aug. 6 – Aug. 9, high school students enjoy outdoor activities: nature crafts, adventure games, exploring, swimming, farming, journaling, hiking & more, Blackwood Educational Land Institute, Hempstead, <https://blackwoodland.org/camps/blackwood-nature-camp/> **enjoy, learn, kids, swim, walk, farmer, outside**

Eddie V. Grey Wetlands Center [WADE INTO WETLANDS SUMMER CAMP](#) Aug. 7 – Aug. 11 & Aug. 14 – Aug. 18, summer camp for kids;(week of 8/7): daytime – Water World, grades 4 – 6; (week of 8/14): daytime – Under the Sea, grades 1 – 3 ; Baytown, <http://www.baytown.org/home/showdocument?id=6039> **learn, enjoy, kids, animals, outside**

[CONNECTIONS BETWEEN PEOPLE & NATURE: AN ECONOMIST'S VIEWPOINT](#) Aug. 27, 6 p.m., free webinar by Rice economics professor on topic of connected between people & nature, register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/connections-between-people-nature-an-economists-viewpoint-tickets-35842760662?aff=es2> **learn, lecture, media, outside**



SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING Aug. 21, 11:45 a.m., join group to experience total solar eclipse in Kentucky, Eureka Recreation Area, Kentucky, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/> enjoy, walk, park, outside

Houston Museum of Natural Science SUMMER SCIENCE CAMP Aug. 7 – Aug. 11, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., ages 6 – 12 learn sensational science on variety of topics, Sugarland, www.hmns.org/sugarland learn, enjoy, kids, outside

WAUGH BRIDGE BAT COLONY TOUR Aug. 9, 3:30 p.m., senior outing, take pontoon boat ride to view bats emerge at dusk, transportation provided from Tomball Regional Medical Center, Tomball, <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> enjoy, boat, animals, outside

REI MAP & COMPASS NAVIGATION BASICS Aug. 17, 7 – 8:30 p.m., learn parts of a compass, how to read a topographic map, & how to use map & compass together, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at www.rei.com learn, class, walk, outside

PADDLEBOARD YOGA Aug. 19, 9 – 11 a.m., basic paddleboard instruction, followed by yoga on the paddleboard, Riva Row Boat House, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/> enjoy, boat, outside

Jesse Jones Park REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS Aug. 19, 10 a.m., learn most common reptiles & amphibians that live in Harris county, how to identify them & how they benefit us, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Community/Parks/Jones/Programs> learn, class, animals, park, outside



Jesse Jones Park REPTILE OPEN HOUSE Aug. 19 & Aug. 20, 1 - 4 p.m., nature center is packed with reptiles & amphibians, from tiny frogs to large pythons, Humble,
<http://www.hcp4.net/Community/Parks/Jones/Programs> **enjoy, animals, park, outside**

HUNTMASTER TRAINING Aug. 18 & Aug. 19, learn to lead youth hunting trips, Spring,
<https://www.texas-wildlife.org/resources/events/> **learn, class, animals, kids, outside**

MOODY GARDENS Aug. 29, 8:30 a.m., senior outing, enjoy aquarium, rainforest, theater & more, transportation provided from Tomball Reginal Medical Center, Tomball,
<http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **enjoy, fish, garden, media, outside**

WOODLANDS GREEN PLANNING RETREAT Aug. 13, 2 – 5 p.m., your input is sought for focus & activities for Woodlands GREEN this year, Parks, Recreation & Environmental Services, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandsgreen.org/> **learn, care, meeting, outside**

RIVER KAYAK CLASS Aug. 26, 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**

PADDLES & PAWS Aug. 14 & Aug. 21, 2 - 6 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 TBD, 8:30 a.m., 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**



TENNIS TOURNAMENT Aug. 19, 12 - 5 p.m., tennis tournament for kids 11+, Bear Branch Park, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/> **enjoy, kids, park, outside**

Houston Museum of Natural Science SUMMER SCOUT CLASSES Aug. 14 – Aug. 18, classes for boys/girls; Boy Scout: Citizen of the Nation & World and The Power of Engineering; Cub Scouts: Wolf Pack; Girl Scout: Borwnies on the go, Sugarland, <http://www.hmns.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Summer-Scouts-2017-Catalog-printable.pdf> **learn, enjoy, class, kids, outside**

ECLIPSE ROAD TRIP Aug. 19 – Aug. 22, join group road trip to Missouri to experience the total solar eclipse, <https://www.meetup.com/joinneo/events/> **enjoy, outside**

Houston Museum of Natural Science EARTH SCIENCE: UNDER THE MICROSCOPE Aug. 10, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., view grains of sand, microfossils, shells & other objects under the microscope, docents to guide you, Sugarland, www.hmns.org/sugarland **enjoy, learn, kids, outside**

INTRO. TO PADDLING TBD, 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**

SPRING CREEK PADDLE TRIP Aug. 20, 8:30 a.m., ladies-only event, easy 2 – 3hour trip along Spring Creek, equipment available from SouthWest Paddle Sports, Spring, <http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/> **enjoy, boat, outside**



REI GOURMET CAMP COOKING Aug. 19, 2 – 3:30 p.m., learn components of great meals & how to translate them to the outdoors, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at www.rei.com [learn](#), [class](#), [camp](#), [outside](#)

REI MAP & COMPASS NAVIGATION BASICS Aug. 10, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., learn parts of compass, how to read topographic map & how to use map & compass together, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at www.rei.com [learn](#), [class](#), [walk](#), [outside](#)

TRIP TO WATSON PRESERVE Aug. 12, 7:30 a.m., join group hiking outing to Watson Rare Native Plant Preserve to look for the Chapman's orchid, Warren, meet at Starbucks at Meyerland Plaza in Houston to carpool (at 7:30 a.m.), http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/enjoy_walk_garden_outside

BACKYARD COMPOSTING CLASS Aug. 19, 9 – 11 a.m., learn how to create compost in your backyard, includes compost bin, Missouri City Rec. & Tennis Ctr., Missouri City, <http://www.missouricitygreen.org/upcoming-events.html> [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [outside](#)

Artist Boat ECO-ART SUMMER CAMP: A WHALE OF A TIME Aug. 7 – Aug. 11, 9 a.m. - noon & 1 – 4 p.m. summer camp for 3 – 6 grades (in p.m.) and grades K – 2 (in a.m.), learn about whales in the Gulf and where they live/roam, create related art, Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/naturecalendar.asp#/?i=1> [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [class](#), [kids](#), [fish](#), [outside](#)



DEER PARK PRAIRIE PRESERVE SEED COLLECTING Aug. 9, 9 a.m. - noon, join master naturalists to collect prairie plant seeds, Deer Park, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> **care, enjoy, garden, outside**

REI WRENCH NIGHT Aug. 12 & Aug. 19, 1 – 2 p.m. & 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., & Aug. 9, 7 – 8:30 p.m., work on your bike alongside expert guide, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, cycle, outside**

HIT ME WITH YOUR BEST SUNSHOT CONTEST Aug. 17, deadline for photographers to enter photos of solar energy technologies, prizes awarded, https://www.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=4578 **enjoy, photo, outside**

REI INTRO. TO HIKING Aug. 19, 8 am. – 1 p.m., learn about gear & clothing and practice techniques, Lake Houston Wilderness, New Caney, see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, walk, outside**

REI LIGHTWEIGHT BACKPACKING BASICS Aug. 8, 7 – 8:30 p.m., learn tips on lightweight backpacking techniques, 18750 Gulf Frwy., Friendswood, see classes & events at www.rei.com **learn, class, walk, outside**

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE HOUSTON

Mercer Arboretum STROLLER STROLLS 1st 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 **Sep. 7** enjoy, kids, walk, garden, outside

TEXAS CITY PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAY 2nd 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 **Aug. 11** care, enjoy, garden, 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 **Aug. 13 & Aug. 20** enjoy, learn, kids, park, outside

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING 2nd 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 **Aug. 12** care, recycle, outside

FAMILY BIKE TRAIL RIDE Thurs., 5 - 7 p.m., (summer only), families enjoy bike rides on trails, Cypresswood trails, Spring, <http://ghorba.org/events/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** enjoy, cycle, kids, park, outside

Lake Houston Wilderness Park ANIMAL CLASSES Sat., 10 – 11 a.m. & 2 – 3 p.m., learn about animals in the park, New Caney, <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/parksites/lakehoustonpark.html> Next Opportunities **Aug. 12**, Topics: Insect Exploration (a.m.) & Owl pellets (p.m.); **Aug. 19** Topic: Snakes (a.m.) learn, enjoy, animals, kids, park, outside



Galveston Island State Park STAR PARTY Sat., 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., learn about upcoming solar eclipse in August & how to view, Galveston, http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** enjoy, learn, park, outside

Gulf Coast Bird Observatory NURSERY WORK DAY 3rd Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers work in wetland nursery in Lake Jackson, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **Aug. 17** care, enjoy, garden, outside

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

CEDAR BAYOU FRIENDS MEETING 1st 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 **Aug. 13 & Aug. 20** enjoy, learn, walk, kids, park, outside

George Observatory SCOUTING at the OBSERVATORY dates vary, courses for scouts of all ages, Needville, www.hmns.org Next Opportunity **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 Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19**
enjoy, kids, park, outside

Seaborne Creek Nature Park PLANT WALK 2nd Sat., 8:30 – 11 a.m., educational plant walk with handouts, includes learning session, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **TBD**
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 Next Opportunities **Aug. 13 & Aug. 20**
enjoy, kids, park, outside

PLANT STUDY GROUP usually 1st Tues. & 2nd 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 **Aug. 8** learn, enjoy, class, walk, bird, park, outside

COASTAL PRAIRIE MASTER NATURALIST Meeting 1st 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 **Sep. 7**, 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 3rd Tues., 10 a.m. - noon, members invited to attend board meeting, Agrilife Extension Board Room, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/events/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 15** 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 **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** care, garden, park, outside

SEABORNE CREEK NATURE PARK WALK 4th Sat., 10 a.m. - noon, guided interpretive walks in park, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 26** enjoy, walk, park, outside

Jesse Jones Park FRIENDS MEETING 1st 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 INVASIVES BEWARE 3rd Sun., 9 - 11 a.m., document & remove invasive plants & animals, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunity **Aug. 20** care, garden, animals, park, outside

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

BUCKET BRIGADE INTERPRETIVE BEACH TOURS daily, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (during 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 **1st Sat. & 2nd/4th Weds., 9 – 11 a.m.**, volunteers work in gardens, or greenhouse, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunities **Aug. 9 & Aug. 19** **care, enjoy, garden, outside**

PLASTICS IN THE ENVIRONMENT WEBINAR monthly, **1 p.m.**, webinar series addressing plastics and microplastics in the environment, <https://www.epa.gov/trash-free-waters/trash-free-waters-webinar-series> Next Opportunity **Aug. 29**, Topic: Reducing Plastic Pollution **learn, media, class, pollution, 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 for details, <http://www.explorationgreen.org/#!/calendar/c1xzt> Next Opportunities **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** **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 **Aug. 11 & Aug. 18** **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 **Aug. 10 – Aug. 14 & Aug. 17 – Aug. 21** enjoy, boat, outside

WILDLIFE for LUNCH usually 3rd 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 **Aug. 17**, Topic: The Importance of Record Keeping in Wildlife Management Valuation learn, class, media, animals, outside

SATURDAYS at the GEORGE Sat., 3 – 10 p.m., stargazing at the George Observatory, Needville, www.hmns.org/observatory Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** enjoy, outside

DEER PARK PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAY 2nd Weds. & 4th Sat., 9 a.m. - noon, join Houston chapter of Native Prairies Assoc. of TX in work at preserve, seed collecting on Weds., 1222 E. Purdue Ln, Deer Park, HNPAT@TexasPrairie.org <https://hnpat.wordpress.com/hnpat-activities/field-trips/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 9** 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 **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** enjoy, park, outside

DEER PARK BIRD SURVEY 4th Sat., 7:30 – 9 a.m., Deer Park Prairie, 1222 E. Purdue Ln, Deer Park, 936-827-7973. Next Opportunity **Aug. 26** care, bird, park, outside

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GREEN THUMB LECTURE 3rd 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 **Aug. 19**, Topic: Fall Vegetables **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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** **enjoy, boat, outside**

KINGWOOD FARMERS MARKET **Thurs., 3 – 7 p.m.**, Town Center Park, 8 North Main St., Kingwood. Next Opportunities **Aug. 10 & Aug. 17** **care, farmers, outside**

Jesse Jones Park SECOND SUNDAY PICKERS **2nd Sun., 2 – 4 p.m.**, concert in the park, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/jones/>, Next opportunity **Aug. 13** **enjoy, park, outside**

Jesse Jones Park VOLUNTEER Meeting **usually 4th 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 **Aug. 28**

KATY FARMERS' MARKET **Sat., 8 a.m. – noon**, Church of the Holy Apostles, Katy. Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** **care, farmers, outside**

Attwater Prairie Chicken National Wildlife Refuge ATTWATER PRAIRIE CHICKEN VAN TOURS **1st Sat., 8 – 10 a.m.**, Eagle Lake, Call (979) 234-3021, ext. 221 or 223 Next opportunity **Sep. 2** **enjoy, bird, outside**



HUNTSVILLE AUDUBON SOCIETY MEETING 3rd Thurs. (except Dec.), Huntsville Service Center, Huntsville, <http://www.huntsvilleaudubon.org/index.html> Next Opportunity **Aug. 17** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [bird](#), [outside](#)

CROSBY FARMERS' MARKET Tues., 3 - 7 p.m., 311 Wahl St., Crosby Next Opportunities **Aug. 8** & **Aug. 15** [care](#), [farmers](#), [outside](#)

PINEY WOODS WILDLIFE SOCIETY Monthly Meeting 3rd 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 **Aug. 15** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [lecture](#), [bird](#), [outside](#)

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING 1st Sat., 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., Kingwood Metro Park & Ride, <http://keepkingwoodgreen.org/LocalRecyclingGuide.html> Next opportunity **Sep. 2** [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 **Aug. 9** & **Aug. 16** [enjoy](#), [outside](#), [bird](#), [walk](#)

Dennis Johnston County Park **TAI CHI** Mon. & Weds., 9 - 10 a.m., (thru Sep. 6), tai chi class in the park, 709 Riley Fuzzel Road, Spring, <http://www.hcp4.net/calendar/monthly-calendar/moduleid/16040/itemid/2023/mctl/eventdetails>, Next opportunities **Aug. 9**, **Aug. 14**, **Aug. 16** & **Aug. 21** [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [class](#), [park](#), [outside](#)

MARYSEE PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAYS 1st 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 **Sep. 2** [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 **Aug. 10, Aug 12, Aug. 18, & Aug. 20, 9 - 11 a.m. & 12 - 2 p.m.**, Location: East End Lagoon; **Aug. 19, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**, Location: Galveston Island State Park; **Aug. 11, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**, Location: Coastal Heritage Preserve; **Aug. 13, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, Location: Christmas Bay; **enjoy, boat, kids, outside**

Baytown Nature Center BIRD SURVEY 3rd Thurs., 8 a.m. – 9 a.m., (except summer), 6213 Bayway Dr, call (281) 424-9198, www.houstonaudubon.org Next opportunity **TBD 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 opportunity **TBD care, bird, outside**

Baytown Nature Center NURTURE NATURE SERIES usually 1st 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 **Sep. 2 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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19 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 opportunities **Aug. 9 & Aug. 16** **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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** **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 4th 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 **Aug. 27** **care, garden, outside**



BRIDGELAND FARMERS MARKET 2nd Sun., 12:30 – 3:30 p.m., parking lot adjacent to the Activity Center in Bridgeland, 16902 North Bridgeland Lake Pkwy, Cypress. Next Opportunity **Aug. 13** care, farmers, outside

Armand Bayou Nature Ctr **BIRD COUNT** usually 2nd Sat., 7 – 10 a.m., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, www.houstonaudubon.org. Next Opportunity **Aug. 12** care, bird, outside

HEARTWOOD MASTER NATURALIST Chapter Meeting 1st 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 **Sep. 6** 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 **Aug. 8, Aug. 11/Aug. 12 & Aug. 15, Aug. 18/Aug. 19** care, garden, outside

CLEAR LAKE SHORES FARMERS' MARKET Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., 1020 Marina Bay Dr, Clear Lake Shores. Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** 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

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY RECYCLING COALITION 2nd Thurs., 12 – 1:30 p.m., webinar shares information among those working on waste reduction on college campuses, <http://curc3r.org/webinars/2017-webinar-series/> Next Opportunity **Aug. 10**, Topic: Engaging the Campus to Improve Recycling Participation learn, media, pollution, 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 **Aug. 8 - Aug. 11/Aug. 12 & Aug. 15 - Aug. 18/Aug. 19** 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 4th Fri., 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., discuss growing chrysanthemums, Mercer Botanic Garden, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, 281-443-8731 Next Opportunity **Aug. 25** care, garden, outside

Sea Center Texas STORY TIME Sat. & 3rd Fri., check calendar, 300 Medical Dr, Lake Jackson, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/visitorcenters/seacenter/> Next opportunities **Aug. 12, Aug. 18, & Aug. 19** care, enjoy, kids, fish, outside

PEARLAND FARMERS MARKET 2nd & 4th Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, Zychlinski Park, 2243 N Grand Blvd, Pearland, Next Opportunity **Aug. 12** care, farmers, outside

Gulf Coast Bird Observatory BIRD BANDING 3rd Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, 103 Hwy 332, Lake Jackson, www.gcbo.org, Next opportunity **Aug. 19** care, bird, outside



Mercer Arboretum [STORY TIME IN THE GARDEN](#) 3rd Mon., 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercer/>. Next opportunity **Aug. 21** enjoy, kids, garden, outside

[SIERRA CLUB Monthly Meeting](#) 3rd 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 **Aug. 16**, Topic: The Future of Energy care, learn, outside

[TOMBALL FARMERS' MARKET](#) Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., 205 W. Main, Tomball Next Opportunities **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** 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 **Aug. 8/Aug. 10 & Aug. 15/Aug. 17** care, enjoy, garden, outside

Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Garden [LUNCH BUNCH](#) 2nd 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 **Aug. 9**, Topic: Student Research & Education Symposium learn, enjoy, garden, outside

Sea Center Texas [YOUTH CATCH & RELEASE FISHING](#) 1st & 3rd 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 **Aug. 16** care, enjoy, kids, fish, outside



HIGH ISLAND WORK DAY 2nd Sat., 8:30 a.m. – noon, maintain bird sanctuary, lunch provided, 2088 5th St, High Island, Contact pdeichmann@houstonaudubon.org, Next opportunity **Aug. 12** care, bird, outside

Gulf Coast Bird Observatory **YOUNG ORNITHOLOGISTS** 3rd Sat., 9 a.m., birding & exploring for kids up to 17, 103 Hwy 332, Lake Jackson, 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 **Aug. 12 & Aug. 19** 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 **Aug. 12/Aug. 13 & Aug. 19/Aug. 20** 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 **Aug. 12/Aug. 13 & Aug. 19/Aug. 20** 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 **TBD**, Topic: TBD 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 **Aug. 11 & Aug. 18** care, garden, outside

Armand Bayou Nature Center [PONTOON BOAT CRUISES](#) most Sat.s, 8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. and/or 6:30 – 8 p.m.; 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, Fees & registration may be required. <http://www.abnc.org> Next opportunities **Aug. 12 (a.m. & p.m.), & Aug. 19 (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 **TBD**, Topic: TBD learn, enjoy, class, kids, outside

Armand Bayou Nature Center [GUIDED CANOE TOUR](#) normally 2nd & 4th Sat.s, 8 – 11 a.m., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, Fees & registration may be required, <http://www.abnc.org> Next opportunity **Aug. 12** 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, 1st & 3rd Sat., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, registration required, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunity **Aug. 19** 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 opportunity **TBD**, Topic: **TBD** **learn, enjoy, class, kids, outside**

Brazos Bend State Park BRAZOS RIVER PICKERS 2nd 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 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 **TBD** **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 Next opportunity **TBD** **enjoy, bird, walk, park, outside**

Brazos Bend State Park GUIDED PHOTO HIKE usually 1st Sat., (except Jan.), start time varies, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), www.brazosbend.org Next opportunity: **Aug. 12, 5 p.m.** **enjoy, photo, walk, park, outside**

MILLIKAN RESERVE FARMERS' MARKET 3rd Sun., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., 19851 FM2154, College Station, Next Opportunity **Aug. 20** **care, farmers, outside**



BOLIVAR BEACH RAMBLE **1st Sat.**, explore Bolivar Flats Shorebird Sanctuary,
www.houstonaudubon.org Next opportunity **Sep. 2** enjoy, bird, walk, outside

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS EXCHANGE Meeting usually **1st Weds.**, (Feb., May, Aug.,
Nov.), **time varies**, potluck meeting to share ideas/resources, location varies, 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 **3rd Sat. & prior**
Weds., (except Dec.), **time varies**, various locations, galvestoncountyaudubongroup@gmail.com,
<http://houstonaudubon.org/programs/calendar.html> Next opportunity (field trip): **TBD** Location: TBD
learn, meeting, enjoy, walk, bird, outside