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

### UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES IN HOUSTON

**REI CLIMBING KNOT BASICS Jan. 27, 7 - 7:30 p.m.**, learn basics of climbing know tying, all gear provided, covers when, how & why to use: figure 8, Kleimhurst, overhand, water knot, clove hitch, girth hitch, bowline & double bowline & more, Houston Climb Shop, 1401 Silver St., see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [climb](#), [Houston](#)

**PADDLE SHELDON LAKE Jan. 21, 10:30 a.m.**, join group outing lake in Sheldon Lake State Park, 14140 Garrett Rd, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> [enjoy](#), [boat](#), [Houston](#)

**Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston REDUCING WASTE GENERATION IN HOUSES OF WORSHIP Feb. 4, 2 p.m.**, speaker to address easy, low cost or free ways that houses of worship can reduce the waste they generate, online, register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/reducing-waste-generation-in-houses-of-worship-tickets-41482111111?aff=eac2> [learn](#), [lecture](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

**BANDS IN LEVY PARK Feb. 10, 6 – 8 p.m.**, enjoy band playing in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION Jan. 20, 1 - 4 p.m.**, learn about the many different volunteer opportunities with Houston Audubon, 440 Wilchester Blvd., [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) [learn](#), [meeting](#), [Houston](#)



**LIGHT DISTRIBUTION RIDE** Jan. 9, 6:30 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

**GROWING ORGANIC VEGETABLES SERIES** Jan. 18, 6:30 - 9 p.m., (certain Thurs. thru May 17) learn everything you want to know about growing vegetables, UH, Central Campus, McElhinney Hall, Cullen & Wheeler, <http://urbanharvest.org/> learn, care, class, garden, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center ARBOR DAY** Jan. 20, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., celebrate trees with guided hikes, demonstrations, crafts, seed/sapling give-aways, tree sales & more, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> enjoy, kids, tree, walk, Houston

**REI LEARN TO CLIMB** Jan. 13, 1 – 4 p.m. and Jan. 2/Jan. 9, 6 – 9 p.m., instructional course plus 3-week membership at climbing gym, age 12+, Houston Climb Shop, 1401 Silver St., see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) learn, class, climb, Houston

**ARBOR DAY AT MEMORIAL PARK** Jan. 20, 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers plant trees in the park, 6799 Haskell St., <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E147528&id=38> care, tree, park, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center FAMILY OWL PROWL** Jan. 13, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., ages 5+, learn about owls, meet live owls & walk trails to look for owls, snacks, coffee & hot chocolate, 4501 Woodway Dr, <https://houstonarboretum.org/learn/> enjoy, learn, bird, kids, walk, Houston



**REI PREPARING FOR THE GRAND CANYON Jan. 9, 6:30 – 8 p.m.**, explore both south and north rim trails at the Grand Canyon, 100 Acre Wood Preserve, Hwy. 249 at Jones Rd., see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [Houston](#)

**Discovery Green SKATE WITH STORY BOOK STARS Jan. 13, 5 - 6 p.m.**, kids get to skate with children's book characters, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**LEARN TO RIDE CLASSES Jan. 10/Jan. 11 & Jan. 17/Jan. 18, 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. & 6 – 7 p.m., and Jan. 20, 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 1 p.m.**, one-on-one classes by certified instructors to learn to ride a bike, for all ages, this is a two-part class, Rice University – BioScience Collaborative, 6500 Main St., <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!calendar> [learn](#), [class](#), [cycle](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

**THE PATH LESS PEDALED BIKE RIDE Jan. 21, 2 - 5 p.m.**, join group cycling on Harrisburg & Brays Bayou trails, drinks/Mexican food afterward, for those interested, meet at El Tiempo Navigation, 2814 Navigation Blvd., <http://www.bayocityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3&mo=01&year=2018> [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Audubon ONE MORE WARBLER: A LIFE WITH BIRDS Jan. 11, 7 p.m.**, lecture by expert birder and author of the book of the same title, United Way, 50 Waugh Dr., [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) [learn](#), [lecture](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**Discovery Green SKATING STARZ Jan. 14, 6:30 – 6:45 p.m.**, figure skating performance in the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> [enjoy](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



**REI CLIMBING MOVEMENT & TECHNIQUE** Jan. 12, 6 – 8 p.m., improve footwork, handwork & body movement skills for climbing, Houston Climb Shop, 1401 Silver St., see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [climb](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science REALITY CHECK** ongoing, various times, virtual reality environment, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

**IMPROVING SOIL HEALTH GLOBALLY** Jan. 9, 1 p.m., webinar on soil health principles that can be applied worldwide, case studies from 5 countries will be presented, <http://www.climatewebinars.net/webinars/improving-soil-health-globally/view> [learn](#), [lecture](#), [farmer](#), [Houston](#)

**Nature Discovery Center WALK ON THE WILD SIDE** Jan. 13, 10 a.m. (monthly thru Feb.), family-friendly nature walk in Russ Pitman Park, 7112 Newcastle, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [animals](#), [garden](#), [walk](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**RESPONDING TO OIL SPILLS** Jan. 9, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., training webinar by the Gulf of Mexico alliance, learn to respond to an oil spill, <http://gulfofmexicoalliance.org/announcements/events/> [learn](#), [class](#), [pollution](#), [Houston](#)

**GARDEN FUNDRAISER** Jan. 13, 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., potluck fundraiser for community garden, 3201 Airline, [Facebook.com/beautys-community-garden](https://www.facebook.com/beautys-community-garden) [care](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)



**BASIC FRUIT TREE CARE & PLANTING** Jan. 20, 9:30 a.m. – noon, learn to select, plant, care for & maintain fruit trees, University of St. Thomas, 3800 Montrose Blvd., <http://urbanharvest.org/> [learn](#), [care](#), [class](#), [tree](#), [Houston](#)

**NIGHT HIKE** Jan. 10, 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](#)

**VEGETATION MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE** Jan. 18, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., pesticide applicator recertification training class, Weekley Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd., <https://harris.agrilife.org/event/5369/> [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

**FRUIT TREE SALE** Jan. 13, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., annual fruit tree sale by Urban Harvest, non-profit supporting community/school gardens and farmers' markets, HCC West Loop Campus, 5601 W. Loop S., <http://urbanharvest.org/> [care](#), [tree](#), [Houston](#)

**REI SPORT CLIMBING ANCHORS** Jan. 24, 1 – 3 p.m., learn climbing anchor building in this hands-on class, Houston Climb Shop, 1401 Silver St., see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [climb](#), [Houston](#)

**FARMERS' MARKET BIKE RIDE** Jan. 9, 9 a.m. – noon, join group cycling to several farmers' markets around town, begin with coffee at Onion Creek Café, 3106 White Oak Blvd., lunch at the café afterward, for those interested, <http://www.bayocityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3&mo=01&year=2018> [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [farmers](#), [Houston](#)

**SUSTAINABLE LIVING THRU PERMACULTURE I** Jan. 21, 1 - 5 p.m., learn design principles of permaculture, concepts illustrated in break-out sessions at home/garden, near 610S & Stella Link, <http://urbanharvest.org/> [learn](#), [care](#), [class](#), [tree](#), [Houston](#)



**TAKE CARE OF TEXAS VOTING** Jan. 11 – Jan. 25, public votes on best youth videos on environmental topics, <http://takecareoftexas.org/teens/video-contest> **care, media, Houston**

**Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center** **WACKY FOR WILDLIFE** Jan. 20, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., girl scout juniors badge workshop, 10801 Hammerly Blvd., <http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/> **learn, class animals, kids, Houston**

**Houston Zoo** **ZOO LIGHTS** thru Jan. 14, enjoy holiday lights in the evening at the zoo, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **enjoy, animals, Houston**

**Houston Zoo** **TEEN ADVENTURE: BOBCATS, LANDFILLS & RECYCLING** Jan. 15, 8 a.m. – noon, teens learn how recycling plastics can impact bobcat habitat, includes observing a bobcat training session & going behind the scenes to learn how zoo processes recycling & finishes with a visit to a local recycling center, 6200 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.houstonzoo.org/plan-your-visit/events-calendar/> **learn, enjoy, animals, pollution, recycle, Houston**

**Nature Discovery Center** **WINTER BIRD WALK** Jan. 10, 12 – 1:15 p.m. (monthly thru Feb.), guided bird walk in park, 7112 Newcastle, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> **enjoy, learn, bird, walk, park, Houston**

**Hermann Park** **NEW VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION** Jan. 17, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., learn about volunteer opportunities in the McGovern Centennial Garden, 6100 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> **learn, care, meeting, garden, park, Houston**





**Sims Bayou Urban Nature Center** [RAPTOR PHOTO SHOOT](#) Jan. 16, 10 a.m. - noon, opportunity to photograph education raptors, 3997 River Dr., [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) [enjoy](#), [photo](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [BOY SCOUT CLASSES](#) TBD, classes for boy scouts at the museum; 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

**Discovery Green** [HELLO TREES! A WALKING SERENADE](#) thru Feb. 25, exhibit turns voice into messages of light & music in oak allee, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> [enjoy](#), [walk](#), [tree](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR: WEISS ENERGY HALL I](#) Jan. 10 & Jan. 17, 6 p.m., docent-led tour of the (1/10): Upstream: geologic formation to drilling portions of the Weiss Energy Hall, (1/17): Midstream, downstream & electrical power portions of the Weiss Energy Hall, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [energy](#), [Houston](#)

**Sims Bayou Urban Nature Center** [OWL PROWL](#) Jan. 20, 7 - 9 p.m., learn about owls, meet live rehabilitated owls & take a hike to look for wild owls, ages 3+, 3997 River Dr., [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [walk](#), [kids](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [THE EDUCATOR EVENT](#) Jan. 20, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., teachers learn about educational opportunities offered by museum & other local institutions, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) [learn](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)





**A WALK IN THE WOODS** Jan. 13, 2 – 3:30 p.m., join group walk on trails in Memorial Park, meet at rugby/soccer field parking lot, N. Picnic Ln.,  
<http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> enjoy, walk, park, Houston

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** **GIFTED & TALENTED:ICON** Jan. 19, 5 – 11 p.m., teachers learn ready-to-implement STEAM activities & techniques influenced by museum exhibit halls, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) learn, class, kids, Houston

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** **GIRL SCOUT CLASSES** TBD, classes for girl scouts at the museum, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) learn, enjoy, kids, Houston

**PADDLE GREENS BAYOU** Jan. 14, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., join group outing to paddle Green Bayou, meet at Thomas Bell Foster Park, 12895 Greens Bayou Rd.,  
<http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> enjoy, boat, Houston

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** **CAN DO! A HISTORY OF TEXAS LEADING THE WAY IN ENERGY** Jan. 16, 6:30 p.m., lecture by author & historian, book signing follows the lecture, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) learn, lecture, energy, Houston

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

**STEWARDSHIP: CARING FOR THE PLANTS THAT CARE FOR US** Jan. 28, 6 p.m., free webinar addresses how to care for the natural world, register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/stewardship->



caring-for-the-plants-that-care-for-us-tickets-40124443290 [learn](#), [lecture](#), [media](#), [garden](#), [lecture](#), [Houston](#)

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

[HIKING 101 – ALL TEMPERATURES](#) **Jan. 17, 6:45 – 8 p.m.**, learn how to prepare to hike in all temperatures, Whole Earth Provision, 2501 Post Oak Blvd., also online via Facebook Live, (see [www.facebook.com/BayouCityOutdoors](http://www.facebook.com/BayouCityOutdoors)), <http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> [learn](#), [class](#), [walk](#), [Houston](#)

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

**Nature Discovery Center** [WINTER BREAK CAMP](#) **Jan. 15, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**, day camp for kids ages 5 – 10, Reduce, Reuse & Recycle, 7112 Newcastle, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [recycle](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

[VISIT MOODY GARDENS](#) **Jan. 9, 8:30 a.m.**, senior outing, enjoy aquarium, rainforest, paddlewheel, or theater, transportation provided from t. Luke's – The Vintage Hospital, 20171 Chasewood Park Dr., or Fairbanks Library, 7122 Gessner Rd., <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> [enjoy](#), [garden](#), [fish](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

[FOOD ALLERGY HEALTH CART IN LEVY PARK](#) **Mar. 4, 1 – 2 p.m.**, learn about food allergies at cart from Health Museum in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> [learn](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)



**FOOD IN LEVY PARK** Feb. 9, 5 – 9 p.m., Feb. 10, 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. & Feb. 11, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., catering service in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> **enjoy, park, Houston**

**URBAN BACKGROUND** Jan. 17, 3 p.m., webinar by EPA on method developed to collect city-wide or urban background data on soil contaminants, [https://epawebconferencing-events.acms.com/content/connect/c1/7/en/events/event/shared/default\\_template\\_simple/event\\_registration.html?sco-id=120483047&\\_charset\\_=utf-8](https://epawebconferencing-events.acms.com/content/connect/c1/7/en/events/event/shared/default_template_simple/event_registration.html?sco-id=120483047&_charset_=utf-8) **learn, lecture, pollution, Houston**

**Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center WILLIE'S SPIRIT NIGHT** Jan. 17, 4 – 11 p.m., enjoy dinner at Willie's Grill & Ice House, mention that TWRC spirit night & 15% of check donated to the center, 17492 NW Frwy., <http://www.twrcwildlifecenter.org/> **care, Houston**

**Buffalo Bayou NEW MOON HIKE** Jan. 16, 7 – 9 p.m., join group hike along bayou, view new lunar lighting cycle orbs turn blue along the trails, meet at 105 Sabine St., <http://buffalobayou.org/calendar/> **enjoy, walk, park, Houston**

## **ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES IN HOUSTON**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science WEEKDAY LABS** Jan. Soap Science – investigate bubbles, emulsification & soap films; Scientific Farming – find out how innovation made farming more productive & better for the environment; both grades 1 – 8, Spiny yet Spineless – study of sea urchin, includes dissection, grades 5 – 10, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) **learn, enjoy, kids, animals, Houston**

**Mandell Park TOY SWAP** Sat., 10 a.m. – noon, swap toys with other families, keep usable toys from entering landfill, Mandell & Richmond Ave.,



[http://www.friendsofmandellpark.org/html/all\\_events.html](http://www.friendsofmandellpark.org/html/all_events.html) Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** care, enjoy, kids, recycle, park, Houston

**Discovery Green** [ORBIT SLAM](#) 1st Fri., 6 – 8 p.m., writing and poetry workshop for ages 13 - 19, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunity **Feb. 2** learn, park, Houston

[YOGA AT LEVY PARK](#) Tues./Thurs., 6 p.m. & Sat./Sun., 10 a.m., yoga class in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 9/Jan. 11 & Jan. 16/Jan. 18 and Jan. 13/Jan. 14 & Jan. 20/Jan. 21** enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston

[CO-HOUSING HOUSTON MEETING](#) 1<sup>st</sup> Weds., 7 – 8 p.m., group promoting co-housing in Houston, the Black Lab, 4100 Montrose Blvd., <https://www.cohousinghouston.com/> Next Opportunity **Feb. 7** learn, meeting, Houston

**Mandell Park** [DRUM JAM](#) 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sun., enjoy drums in the park, Mandell & Richmond Ave., [http://www.friendsofmandellpark.org/html/all\\_events.html](http://www.friendsofmandellpark.org/html/all_events.html) Next Opportunity **Jan. 14** enjoy, park, Houston

**Sheldon Lake State Park** [HOME SCHOOL DAYS](#) Fri., 3 - 4 p.m., kids learn something new each week, from fishing to technology, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 12 & Jan. 19** enjoy, walk, park, kids, Houston

[MEMORIAL VILLAGES FARMERS' MARKET](#) Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., farmers' market, music, kids' activities, food demonstrations, lectures & more, 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church, 10840 Beinhorn Rd., <http://www.mvfarmersmarket.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** care, farmer, kids, Houston



**Sheldon Lake State Park TURTLE, TORTOISE, TERRAPIN Sun., 3 – 4 p.m.**, learn the difference between these three animals, includes craft to take home, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 14 & Jan. 21** [learn, enjoy, park, animals, kids, Houston](#)

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

**Sheldon Lake State Park LITTLE EXPLORERS Tues., 11 a.m. - noon**, stories, activities & a stroll in the park for little ones, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 9 & Jan. 16** [enjoy, walk, park, Houston](#)

**Sheldon Lake State Park INCREDIBLE EDIBLES Sun., 10 – 11 a.m.**, guided walk thru the park to learn about uses of plants, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 14 & Jan. 21** [learn, enjoy, park, garden, Houston](#)

**Sheldon Lake State Park ASK A RANGER Sat., 2 - 3 p.m.**, ask a ranger any question about the park, learning center, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [learn, park, 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 **Jan. 10 & Jan. 17** [care, farmer, Houston](#)



**Sheldon Lake State Park FIELD DAY Sat., 11 a.m. - noon**, join a ranger for a hike, game, fishing or other outdoor activity, 14140 Garrett Rd, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sheldon-lake/park_events)  
Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [enjoy, walk, park, Houston](#)

**Sims Bayou Urban Nature Center BIRD BUDDIES Fri., 10 – 11:30 a.m. (Sep. thru May)**, kids 3 – 5 discover birds & other animals, includes crafts, games & more, 3997 River Dr., <http://houstonaudubon.org/programs/youth/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 12 & Jan. 19** [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](#)

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

**MOVIE IN LEVY PARK last Fri., 6 p.m.**, family movie in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 26** [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 **ICE RINK** daily thru Jan. 21, 5 - 10 p.m. (11 p.m. on Fri.), Sat., 11 a.m. – 11 p.m. & Sun., 11 a.m. – 8 p.m., ice skate outdoors in the park, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> **enjoy, park, Houston**

**DRUM JAM AT LEVY PARK** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 3 p.m., enjoy drum concert in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 14** **learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston**

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

**PILATES AT LEVY PARK** Sun., 9 a.m. & noon, (time alternates weekly), pilates class in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 14 & Jan. 21** **enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston**

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

Discovery Green **CIRCO AVENIDA** some Fri., 7 - 10 p.m., circus on the Avenida, 1500 McKinney, <http://www.discoverygreen.com/> Next Opportunity **TBD** **enjoy, park, Houston**

**SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM WORKSHOP** last Fri., 2 – 4 p.m., 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 **Jan. 26** **learn, class, energy, pollution, 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](http://www.houstonzoo.org) Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 13**, Topic: Chasing Cheetahs **learn, enjoy, class, kids, animals, Houston**

**VEGAN FOR LIFE Meeting last Sat., 7 p.m.**, monthly meeting for vegans to plan activities & activism, Central Market Community Room, 3815 Westheimer, <http://www.vegan-for-life.org/about.html> Next Opportunity **Jan. 27** **learn, meeting, Houston**

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

**VEGAN SOCIETY OF PEACE MONTHLY MEETING 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 **Jan. 13** **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 **Jan. 11, 7 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](http://www.houstonzoo.org) Next Opportunities **Jan. 15 & Jan. 20**, Topic: Lovely Lions **learn, enjoy, class, kids, animals, Houston**



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

**MOVIE IN LEVY PARK** last Fri., 6:30 p.m., family movie in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 26** [enjoy](#), [media](#), [kids](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**INTERVAL TRAINING AT LEVY PARK** Tues., 6:30 p.m., high intensity interval training in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 9 & Jan. 16** [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [class](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**KEEP 5 ALIVE** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 9 – 11 a.m., volunteers pick up trash & clean flower beds in Fifth Ward Civic Club, corner of Market & Lockwood, <http://www.houstonbeautiful.org/news--events.html> Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** [care](#), [pollution](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

**TOUR DE CYPRESSWOOD** Tues., 6 p.m., join group ride for beginners on Cypresswood trails, SH 249 at Jones Rd., <http://www.meetup.com/HoustonCyclingClub/> Next Opportunity **TBD** [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [Houston](#)

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



**Houston Museum of Natural Science** **EARLY OPENING** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8 a.m.**, the museum opens one hour early for members on the second Saturday, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org), Next Opportunity **Jan. 13**, Featuring: Tours of Hall of Ancient Egypt [enjoy, Houston](#)

**PUBLIC PIANO PLAY AT LEVY PARK** **Mon., Weds. & Fri., 4 – 6 p.m., Tues./Thurs., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, play piano in the park or listen to others do so, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 8 – Jan. 12, Jan. 15 – Jan. 19 & Jan. 22** [enjoy, park, Houston](#)

**OLIVEWOOD CEMETERY CLEAN-UP** **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 9 – 11 a.m.**, volunteers remove brush & do landscaping at historic cemetery, 1300 Court St., <http://www.descendantsofolivewood.org/category/events/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 20** [care, garden, Houston](#)

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

**PLANT PROPAGATION WORKDAYS** **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon**, volunteers seed pots, bump up trays to 1-gallon containers, separate seedlings & weed pots of native plants, HPARD Greenhouse, 6501 Memorial Dr., [kelli.ondracek@houston.tx.gov](mailto:kelli.ondracek@houston.tx.gov) Next Opportunity **Jan. 11**

**STORY TIME IN LEVY PARK** **Thurs., 10 a.m.**, kids enjoy a story in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** [enjoy, kids, park, Houston](#)



**Bike Houston** [BOARD MEETING](#) **2<sup>nd</sup> Tues., 7 – 8 p.m.**, board meeting open to public, Central Market, 3815 Westheimer, <https://bikehouston.org/calendar/#!calendar> Next Opportunity **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 **Jan. 12 & Jan. 19** [enjoy, boat, 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 **Jan. 13** [care, tree, park, Houston](#)

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [HMNS AFTER DARK](#) **usually monthly, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.**, museum open late one day/month, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) Next Opportunity **Mar. 14** [enjoy, learn, Houston](#)

[PRELUDE MUSIC SERIES AT LEVY PARK](#) **monthly, 4:30 p.m.**, enjoy music in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Feb. 3** [enjoy, park, 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**

**BLUES IN LEVY PARK Sat., 3 p.m.**, blues concert in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** **enjoy, park, 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 **Jan. 20** **care, walk, park, Houston**

**Hermann Park PEDAL BOATS Fri. - Sun., 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**, rent pedal boats to use on pond in Hermann Park, 6100 Hermann Park Dr., <http://www.hermannpark.org/calendar/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 12 – Jan. 14 & Jan. 19 – Jan. 21** **enjoy, boat, park, Houston**

**SCIENCE AT LEVY PARK 4th Sat., 2 p.m.**, kids learn natural science in the park, taught by Houston Museum of Natural Science, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 27** **learn, enjoy, class, kids, park, Houston**

**ZUMBA IN LEVY PARK Sun., 11 a.m. & Mon., 6:30 p.m.**, Zumba class in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 14/Jan. 15 & Jan. 21/Jan. 22** **enjoy, learn, class, 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 **Feb. 1**, Cool Critters [learn, kids, class, animals, tree, walk, Houston](#)

**HULLABALOO** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., cyclist get-together, location varies, partners each month with a like-minded organization, [www.bikehouston.org](http://www.bikehouston.org) Next Opportunity **Jan. 18**, Location: Houston Bicycle Co, 404 ½ Westheimer [enjoy, cycle, Houston](#)

**Memorial Park GROW OUT** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 9a.m. - noon, volunteers work in park greenhouse to care for native plants, south side of Memorial Dr. E., Memorial Loop & Crestwood, [http://www.volunteerhou.org/need/detail/?need\\_id=297472](http://www.volunteerhou.org/need/detail/?need_id=297472) Next Opportunity **Jan. 18** [care, garden, Houston](#)

**SATURDAY MORNING WALKS** Sat., 8 a.m., join group walk 3 – 4 mi. walk in Ray Miller Park, <http://www.meetup.com/Casual-Walking-and-Hiking-in-West-Houston/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [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 **Jan. 9 & Jan. 16** [enjoy, park, garden, Houston](#)

**STORY IN LEVY PARK** Thurs., 10 a.m., kids enjoy a story in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** [enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston](#)



**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [FREE THURSDAYS](#) Thurs., 2 – 5 p.m., free admission to permanent exhibits, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., [www.hmns.org](http://www.hmns.org) Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** [learn, Houston](#)

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

[KIDS BINGO NIGHT AT LEVY PARK](#) Weds., 5:30 p.m., kids enjoy bingo in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 10 & Jan. 17** [enjoy, kids, park, Houston](#)

[STORMWATER WETLAND PROGRAM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY](#) Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers propagate plants in nursery at Exploration Green, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake, or at Gulf Coast Bird Observatory in Lake Jackson, Contact [Mcedwards@tamu.edu](mailto:Mcedwards@tamu.edu) for details, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** [care, garden, water, Houston](#)

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary** [NATURE WALK](#) usually 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 2 p.m. (except summer), enjoy a walk in the sanctuary, 440 Wilchester Blvd., [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunity **Jan. 27** [enjoy, walk, Houston](#)

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





**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary FAMILY WORK DAY usually 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon (except summer),** maintain bird sanctuary, children 5+ welcome, 440 Wilchester Blvd., register with [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunity **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 **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [enjoy, learn, class, park, Houston](#)

**Exploration Green WORK DAY 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon,** volunteers plant along shores of the new lake, 1800 Reseda, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** [care, walk, park, outside](#)

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

**PAWSITIVE PUPS IN LEVY PARK 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 1 p.m.,** kids enjoy stories & therapy dogs in the park, 3801 Eastside, <http://www.levyparkhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 14** [enjoy, kids, animals, park, Houston](#)

**Sheldon Lake State Park WETLAND RESTORATION Weds., 9 a.m. – noon,** ongoing restoration of wetlands, 14140 Garrett Rd, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunities **Jan. 10 & Jan. 17** [enjoy, park, garden, 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 **Feb. 3**, Topic: Turtles Forever [learn, class, kids, animals, Houston](#)

**Exploration Green PLANT PROPAGATION Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon**, volunteers propagate plants in wetland nursery at Exploration Green, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** [care, garden, park, Houston](#)

**Buffalo Bayou LOOKING BACK BOAT TOUR usually 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 10 - noon**, guided historical tour along Buffalo Bayou, from 150 Sabine St., [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) Next Opportunity **Mar. 24** [enjoy, boat, park, Houston](#)

**Buffalo Bayou VOLUNTEER DAY 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.**, volunteers help maintain the park, meet at Water Works, 105 Sabine St., <https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/BuffaloBayouPartnership/volunteerwaiver.html> Next Opportunity **Jan. 20** [care, park, water, Houston](#)

**Buffalo Bayou 2<sup>nd</sup> SATURDAY BOAT RIDE usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., time varies seasonally** 30-minute boat rides along Buffalo Bayou, from 150 Sabine St., [www.buffalobayou.org](http://www.buffalobayou.org) Next Opportunity **TBD** [enjoy, boat, park, Houston](#)

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GREEN THUMB LECTURE (Jan – Oct.): 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Barbara Bush Library, 6817 Cypresswood Dr., **3<sup>rd</sup> Tues., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Spring Branch Memorial Library, 930 Corbindale, **3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**, Freeman Branch Library, 16616 Diana Ln, register 281-855-5600, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunities **TBD, TBD & TBD**, respectively, Topic: TBD [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 **Jan. 9 & Jan. 16** enjoy, cycle, park, Houston

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

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

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary SATURDAYS in NATURE** usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 1 – 4 p.m. (during school year), hands-on science program for families, 440 Wilchester Blvd., register with [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), <http://www.houstonaudubon.org> Next opportunity **Jan. 27**, Topic: Migration; Craft: Flying Duck learn, enjoy, kids, Houston

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GARDENS LECTURE** (Jan – Oct.): 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Genoa Friendship Garden, 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd., <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunity **Jan. 11**, Topic: Handling, Planting & Maintaining Peach & Plum Trees learn, lecture, garden, Houston

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



**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 **Feb. 3**, Topic: Locomotion [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. 18<sup>th</sup> St., see calendar at [www.cechouston.org](http://www.cechouston.org) Next Opportunity **TBD** [learn, meeting, Houston](#)

[BIRD WALK](#) usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8 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 **Jan. 27** [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 **Jan. 22**, Topic: Body Systems I [learn, class, kids, Houston](#)

[ECO-OLOGY](#) Tues., 3 – 4 p.m., [EXPLORATION](#) Mon. 5 – 6 a.m., [VEGAN WORLD](#) Tues., 8 – 9 p.m., KPFT. Next opportunities **Jan. 9, Jan. 15, Jan. 16, & Jan. 22** [learn, care, media, Houston](#)



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

**TOUR DE TACO** **1<sup>st</sup> Fri., 6:45 p.m.**, join group ride leaving from Market Square Park, 301 Milam St., <http://www.meetup.com/HoustonCyclingClub/> Next Opportunity **Feb. 2** [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [outside](#)

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

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

**SIERRA CLUB Monthly Meeting** **2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs., 7 – 10 p.m.**, St. Stephen's Pecore Hall, 1805 W. Alabama, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 11**, Topic: Batteries as Big Power & the Future of the Energy Grid [care](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

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

**PROJECT BLAZING STAR** usually **1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – noon**, volunteers plant native grasses, forbes & wildflowers, Bayou Parklands, meet at pavilion near 6520 Almeda, parking lot P, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** [care](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)



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

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

**Houston Galveston Area Council ORGANICS RECOVERY ROUNDTABLE** quarterly, meeting promotes recovery of food waste & other organic materials, 3555 Timmons Ln., [erin.livingston@h-gac.com](mailto:erin.livingston@h-gac.com), Next Opportunity **TBD** [learn](#), [care](#), [meeting](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

**BAYOU RIDE** 1<sup>st</sup> Sun., 8 – 11 a.m., Bike Houston offers guided educational ride, start at NikosNikos Market Square, 301 Milam, moderate pace with stops, [www.bikehouston.org](http://www.bikehouston.org) Next Opportunity **Feb. 4** [enjoy](#), [cycle](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Galveston Area Council LIVABLE HOUSTON INITIATIVE** 4<sup>th</sup> Weds., 12 - 1:30 p.m., discuss vision of desired future for Houston residents & how to achieve, 3555 Timmons Ln., [justin.bower@h-gac.com](mailto:justin.bower@h-gac.com) Next Opportunity **Jan. 17** [learn](#), [meeting](#), [park](#), [Houston](#)

**LOCAL ECONOMY ACTION GROUP Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds., 6:30 p.m., seedbed for approaches to sustainable businesses, Start Houston, 1121 Delano St., Next Opportunity **Jan. 10** [care](#), [meeting](#), [learn](#), [Houston](#)

**COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY RECYCLING COALITION** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs., 12 – 1:30 p.m. (most months), webinar shares information among those working on waste reduction on college campuses,





<http://curc3r.org/webinars/2017-webinar-series/> Next Opportunity **TBD**, Topic: TBD **learn, media, pollution, Houston**

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

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

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

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

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

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





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

[NATURE PHOTO ASSOC Meeting](#) usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds., 7 p.m., (Sep. – May) meet at library, Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary, 440 Wilchester Blvd., 713-464-4900, <http://www.houstonaudubon.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 10**, Topic: Making Great Images Before Digital enjoy, photo, bird, Houston

[HOUSTON CLIMATE PROTECTION ALLIANCE Meeting](#) usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 1:15 p.m., speakers on climate science, 1<sup>st</sup> Unitarian Church, 5200 Fannin, <http://www.houstonclimateprotection.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 14** learn, meeting, energy, pollution, Houston

**Houston Audubon** [ARCHBISHOP FIORENZA PARK BIRD SURVEY](#) usually 4<sup>th</sup> Weds., 8 a.m., join group to survey birds, 13551 Westpark, [maweber@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:maweber@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunity **Jan. 17** care, enjoy, walk, park, bird, Houston

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office** [OPEN GARDEN DAY](#) 4<sup>th</sup> Tues., (except Dec.), 8:30 – 11 a.m., workshop & childrens' activity at 10 a.m., self-guided garden tours, 3033 Bear Creek Dr., 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon, 8:30 – 11 a.m., 1202 Genoa Red Bluff Rd, fun & education for adults/kids, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 16, 10 – 11 a.m.** (Note: Re-located to Weekly Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd.) & **Jan. 15** learn, enjoy, garden, kids, Houston

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary** [NATIVES NURSERY VOLUNTEERS](#) Fri., a.m., separate seedlings, re-pot plants, 440 Wilchester Blvd., contact [fhannah@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:fhannah@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next opportunities **Jan. 12 & Jan. 19** care, garden, Houston



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

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

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

**GARDEN VOLUNTEERS** Mon. & Sat., 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., volunteers work in community garden, 3201 Airline, [Facebook.com/beautys-community-garden](https://www.facebook.com/beautys-community-garden) Next Opportunities **Jan. 13/Jan. 15 & Jan. 20/Jan. 22** [care](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

Houston Arboretum & Nature Center **PHENOLOGY WALK** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m., guided walk along phenology trails, 4501 Woodway Dr., Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** [learn](#), [walk](#), [Houston](#)

**Rice University FARMERS MARKET** Tues., 3:30 – 6:30 p.m., 5491 Greenbriar. Next Opportunities **Jan. 9 & Jan. 16** [care](#), [farmers](#), [Houston](#),

**SENIOR BIRDING BUS TRIPS** usually monthly, day varies, normally 8 or 9 a.m., bus transport from Memorial City Mall, snack & guide, reservations required, [maweber@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:maweber@houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **Feb. 5**, Location: TBD [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [walk](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)



**NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY Monthly Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 6:45 – 9:30 p.m., Houston Arboretum & Nature Center, 4501 Woodway Dr, <http://npsot.org/wp/houston/> Next opportunity **Jan. 18**, Topic: Native Plant Propagation [learn](#), [meeting](#), [lecture](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

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

Nature Discovery Center **CURIOUS KIDS** Tues., 10 – 11:15 a.m. or 4 – 5:15 p.m. (during school year), pre-K science program, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 16** [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 **Jan. 10 & Jan. 17** [enjoy](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

**CHALLENGES & TREATMENT SOLUTIONS FOR SMALL WATER SYSTEMS** monthly, 1 p.m., monthly webinar by EPA to communicate with drinking water systems professionals, <https://www.epa.gov/water-research/small-systems-monthly-webinar-series> Next Opportunity **Jan. 30**, Topic: Alternative Disinfection – Dichlor & Trichlor [learn](#), [lecture](#), [media](#), [water](#), [Houston](#)

**GREATER EAST END FARMERS' MARKET** Sun., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., 2700 block of Navigation, across from Ninfa's. Next opportunities **Jan. 14 & Jan. 21** [care](#), [farmers](#), [Houston](#)

Nature Discovery Center **JUNIOR SCIENTISTS** Thurs., 4 – 5:30 p.m. (during school year), kids 6 – 10 explore natural world thru hands-on investigations & experiments, enriched with crafts, games



& more, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 18** [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [class](#), [kids](#), [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 **Jan. 13** [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [class](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

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

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

[TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE on PBS](#) **Mon. – Fri., 6 p.m. & Sat. 3 p.m.**, [HTTP://WWW.HOUSTONPUBLICMEDIA.ORG/TV8/](http://WWW.HOUSTONPUBLICMEDIA.ORG/TV8/) Next opportunities **Jan. 8 – Jan. 12 & Jan. 13 & Jan. 15 – Jan. 19 & Jan. 20** [learn](#), [Houston](#), [outside](#), [park](#), [animals](#), [media](#)

[HOUSTON COMMUNITY TOOLBANK WAREHOUSE TOUR](#) **3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs., 9 – 10 a.m.**, toolbank lends tools to nonprofits, community groups & corporate volunteers doing charitable work, 1215 Gazin St., <http://www.houstontoolbank.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 18** [care](#), [Houston](#)

**Houston Audubon** [BIRDING CLASS & FIELD TRIP](#) **one Sat./month & a prior weekday**, 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](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next Opportunities Class



**Jan. 23, 7 p.m.** Topic: Waterfowl; Trip: **Jan. 27, 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**, Location: TBD **enjoy, learn, 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 **Jan. 9 & Jan. 16** **care, garden, Houston**

**Houston Audubon MEMBER FIELD TRIP usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat.**, birding trips in/outside Houston for ages 12+, members of Houston Audubon, see calendar at [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org) Next Opportunities **Jan. 27, 8 a.m.**, Location: Cullinan Park & Brazos River Corridor **enjoy, bird, Houston**

**WHITE OAK BAYOU BOARD MEETING 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. (except November), 7 – 8 p.m.**, monthly board meeting of the White Oak Bayou Association, location varies, to attend, call them at 765-426-1743, <http://whiteoakbayou.org> Next Opportunity **Jan. 9** **learn, meeting, water, Houston**

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

**WESTBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN WORK DAY usually 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 12:30 – 4 p.m.**, volunteers tend the garden, 12581 Dunlap, <http://westburycommunitygarden.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 27** **care, garden, Houston**

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



**YOUR LIVABLE GARDEN Radio Show** Sat., 6 – 8 a.m. KSEV 700 AM & Sun., 9 – 11 a.m. KPRC 950 AM. Next opportunities **Jan. 13/Jan. 14 & Jan. 20/Jan. 21** [learn](#), [Houston](#), [garden](#), [media](#)

**Nature Discovery Center** **MONDAY MORNING GARDENING** usually 1<sup>st</sup> Mon., 9:30 a.m. – noon (except summer), learn about native plant gardening & assist center, 7112 Newcastle St, <http://www.naturediscoverycenter.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 15** [learn](#), [care](#), [garden](#), [Houston](#)

**Hogg Bird Sanctuary** **BIRD SURVEY** usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 8:30 - 11 a.m., 1 Westcott St., Contact Aaron at [aandkstoley@yahoo.com](mailto:aandkstoley@yahoo.com) or 713-781-1372, <http://www.houstonaudubon.org/> Next opportunity **Jan. 20** [care](#), [Houston](#), [bird](#)

**Sims Bayou Urban Nature Center** **GIRL SCOUT CLASSES** occasionally during school year, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., birds & bayous for brownies & juniors, 3997 River Dr., [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunity **Feb. 10**, Topic: Brownies & Juniors – Birds & Bayous [learn](#), [enjoy](#), [class](#), [kids](#), [Houston](#)

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

**WOODLAND PARK BIRD SURVEY** usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 7:30 - 9:30 a.m., join group for birding, 212 Parkview, [jason.bonilla@gmail.com](mailto:jason.bonilla@gmail.com) or [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **Jan. 20** [enjoy](#), [walk](#), [bird](#), [Houston](#)

**BUTTERFLY ENTHUSIASTS OF SOUTHEAST TX MEETING** 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. (every other month), 7 p.m., social & lecture at each meeting, Houston Museum of Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park





Dr., <http://www.naba.org/chapters/nababest/> Next Opportunity **Feb. 6** learn, meeting, animals, Houston

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

**MASTER NATURALIST Monthly Meeting** 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 9 p.m., guest speaker at each meeting, Cherie Flores Garden Pavilion, 1500 Hermann Dr., <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next opportunity **Feb. 1** learn, lecture, meeting, Houston

**Hermann Park** **BIRD SURVEY** 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 7:30 – 10:30 a.m. Call Jim or Harlan at 713-932-1639, [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunity **Feb. 12** care, bird, Houston

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

**EASTSIDE FARMERS MARKET** Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, 300 Richmond Ave. Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** care, farmers, Houston

**FOOD POLICY WORKGROUP Monthly Meeting** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds., 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Bring your own lunch, Upper Kirby Building, 3015 Richmond Ave, RSVP [jay.crossley@houstontomorrow.org](mailto:jay.crossley@houstontomorrow.org), Next opportunity **Jan. 10** learn, meeting, Houston

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





**BRAYS BAYOU ASSOCIATION MEETING** 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon., 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., monthly meeting of the association, speaker at each meeting, The Gathering Place, 5310 S. Willow Dr., Contact bobx206@gmail.com Next Opportunity **Jan. 15** learn, meeting, water, Houston

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

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

**Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary TITMOUSE CLUB** Tues. & Wed, 10 a.m., (Sep. – May), ages 2.5 - 5, stories, hands-on activities, nature walks & crafts, [bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:bfoshee@houstonaudubon.org), [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org), Next Opportunities **Jan. 9 & Jan. 10**, Topic: Animal Engineers & **Jan. 16 & Jan. 17**, Topic: Skin & Bones - Vertebrates enjoy, learn, kids, animals, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center BOY SCOUTING CLASSES** occasionally, times varies, boy scouts learn about nature, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org) Next Opportunity **Jan. 13, 1 – 3 p.m.**, Topic: Webelos – Into the Wild enjoy, learn, kids, Houston

**HEART & SOUL ACTION GROUP MEETING** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., group supportingsimpler living, <http://www.transitionhouston.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 11** care, learn, Houston



**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center** [GIRL SCOUTING CLASSES](#) monthly, times varies, girl scouts learn about nature, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org). Next Opportunities **Jan. 13, 9 – 11 a.m.** (Brownies – Topic: Hiker); **1 – 3 p.m.** (Brownies – Outdoor Adventurer); **9 a.m. – noon**, (Juniors – Geocacher) **learn, enjoy, kids, Houston**

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

[OUTDOOR NATURE CLUB, ORNITHOLOGY Meeting](#) **1<sup>st</sup> Mon., 6:30 – 8 p.m.**, 713-664-5206, Tracey Gee Community Center, 3599 Westcenter Dr., Speaker each month, <http://www.outdoornatureclub.org/> Next opportunity **Feb. 5**, 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 **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** **care, farmers, Houston**

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

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



**HOUSTON CANOE CLUB MEETING** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds., 7 p.m., meeting of canoeing enthusiasts, Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St. <http://www.houstoncanoecub.org/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 10** learn, meeting, boat, Houston

**Houston Arboretum & Nature Center** **BIRD WALK** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8 - 10 a.m., (except summer), enjoy relaxed guided walk to look for/observe birds, 4501 Woodway Dr, [www.houstonarboretum.org](http://www.houstonarboretum.org) Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** enjoy, walk, bird, Houston

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

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**UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE HOUSTON**

**Interfaith Environmental Network of Houston** **REDUCING WASTE GENERATION IN HOUSES OF WORSHIP** Feb. 4, 2 p.m., speaker to address easy, low cost or free ways that houses of worship can reduce the waste they generate, online, register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/reducing-waste-generation-in-houses-of-worship-tickets-41482111111?aff=eac2> learn, lecture, pollution, outside



**URBAN BACKGROUND** Jan. 17, 3 p.m., webinar by EPA on method developed to collect city-wide or urban background data on soil contaminants, [https://epawebconferencing-events.acms.com/content/connect/c1/7/en/events/event/shared/default\\_template\\_simple/event\\_registration.html?sco-id=120483047&\\_charset\\_=utf-8](https://epawebconferencing-events.acms.com/content/connect/c1/7/en/events/event/shared/default_template_simple/event_registration.html?sco-id=120483047&_charset_=utf-8) **learn, lecture, pollution, outside**

**WINTER BIRDING** Jan. 13, 7:30 a.m., join group outing to Brazoria National Wildlife Refuge in Freeport, meet at 7:30 a.m. at Starbucks in Meyerland Plaza in Houston to carpool, or meet at the nature center at the refuge at 9 a.m., <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/> **enjoy, walk, bird, outside**

**GARDENING BY THE SQUARE FOOT** Jan. 16, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., learn unique way of planning garden bed, selecting plants, maintaining & renewing bed, Galveston County Agrilife Extension Office, La Marque, [https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ\\_programs/educational\\_programs\\_0118.htm](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ_programs/educational_programs_0118.htm) **learn, class, garden, outside**

**GALVESTON BAY COUNCIL QUARTERLY MEETING** Jan. 17, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., public invited to the quarterly meetings of the Galveston Bay Council, Harris-Galveston Subsidence District, Friendswood, see calendar at [www.cechouston.org](http://www.cechouston.org) **learn, meeting, water, outside**

**TRIP TO THE ECUADOR** Jan. 20 – Jan. 26, join group outing to see the cloud forest, Amazon, & more in Ecuador, <https://www.meetup.com/joinneo/events/> **enjoy, walk, outside**

**Houston Galveston Area Council STATE HWY. 146 SUB-REGIONAL PLAN PUBLIC MEETING** Jan. 11, 6 p.m., public meeting to discuss transportation improvements in the State Highway 146



sub-regional plan, Maranatha Church, Mont Belvieu, see calendar at [www.cechouston.org](http://www.cechouston.org) [learn](#), [meeting](#), [outside](#)

**VEGETATION MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE** Jan. 19, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., pesticide applicator recertification training class, Baytown Community Center, Baytown, <https://harris.agrilife.org/event/5369/> [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [outside](#)

**TREE PLANTING** Jan. 15, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m., join volunteer group to plant trees in Big Thicket National Preserve, meet at Texas Roadhouse in Kingwood to carpool, or meet at the preserve tree planting location, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/> [care](#), [enjoy](#), [tree](#), [garden](#), [outside](#)

**HOW TO CHOOSE BINOS & FIELD GUIDES FOR BIRDING** Jan. 17, 3 - 4 p.m., gain insight into selection of binos for birding & field guides that are right for you, try out different binos at the class, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Galveston, <http://www.birdingforfun.com/events.html#BB> [learn](#), [class](#), [bird](#), [outside](#)

**WEDGE GRAFTING** Jan. 18, 9 – 10 a.m., class covers rootstock & bud preparation, taping technique, after care, & insider do's/don'ts, hands-on class, Galveston County Agrilife Extension Office, La Marque, [https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ\\_programs/educational\\_programs\\_0118.htm](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ_programs/educational_programs_0118.htm) [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [tree](#), [outside](#)



**Blackwood Educational Land Institute** [MORNING IN THE COUNTRY](#) Jan. 13, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., self-guided farm tour, lunch with ingredients from farm, class with farm director & more, Hempstead, <https://blackwoodland.org/calendar/> [enjoy](#), [learn](#), [farmer](#), [outside](#)

[BEGINNING BIRDING](#) Jan. 17, 1:30 p.m., learn what to wear, what to bring, local birds & how to distinguish between similar ones, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/> [learn](#), [class](#), [bird](#), [outside](#)

[SPRING VEGETABLE GARDENING](#) Jan. 20, 9 – 11:30 a.m., learn to plan/start a vegetable garden choose location & best plant varieties, Galveston County Agrilife Extension Office, La Marque, [https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ\\_programs/educational\\_programs\\_0118.htm](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ_programs/educational_programs_0118.htm) [learn](#), [class](#), [garden](#), [outside](#)

[BRAZORIA COUNTY BIRDING FIELD TRIP](#) Jan. 13, 6:45 a.m., guided visit to various birding location in Brazoria County, meet at Texas Dow Employees Credit Union, Lake Jackson, <http://www.ornithologygroup.com/FieldTrip/index.html> [enjoy](#), [walk](#), [bird](#), [outside](#)

**REI** [RAPPELLING FOR CLIMBERS](#) Jan. 10 & Jan. 20, 6 – 8 p.m., learn climb, clip into an anchor & rappel back to the ground, Katy Climb Shop, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) [learn](#), [class](#), [climb](#), [outside](#)

[SMALL TREES, SMALL YARDS](#) Jan. 20, 1 – 3 p.m., learn about small trees that work for small yards, Galveston County Agrilife Extension Office, La Marque, <https://aggie->



[horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ\\_programs/educational\\_programs\\_0118.htm](http://horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ_programs/educational_programs_0118.htm) **learn, class, tree, outside**

**TAKE CARE OF TEXAS VOTING** Jan. 11 – Jan. 25, public votes on best youth videos on environmental topics, <http://takecareoftexas.org/teens/video-contest> **care, media, outside**

**Galveston Island State Park GEOCACHING 101** Jan. 13, 1 – 2 p.m., learn high-tech treasure hunting, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) **learn, enjoy, class, walk, kids, park, outside**

**Kleb Woods Nature Center A CLOSER LOOK AT OWLS** Jan. 18, 10 - 11 a.m., educational program on owls for school-aged children, 20303 Draper Rd, Tomball, <http://cal.pct3.com/About/Calendars/Kleb-Woods-Calendar> **learn, enjoy, kids, bird, outside**

**BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR** Jan. 10, 10:30 a.m. – noon, learn what goes on behind the scenes at Moody Gardens, includes theaters, animal & museum exhibits & more, Moody Garden, Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/> **enjoy, learn, animals, walk, outside**

**Houston Museum of Natural Science SCOUT CLASSES** TBD Sugarland, [www.hmns.org/sugarland](http://www.hmns.org/sugarland) **learn, enjoy, kids, outside**

**WILDERNESS SURVIVAL** Jan. 14, 1 - 5 p.m., learn about conventional & alternative fire methods, signaling, water collection, protection from the elements & more, Rob Fleming Park Rec. Center, The Woodlands, <http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/> **learn, class, walk, outside**





**VISIT HERITAGE VILLAGE & ROCK SHOP** Jan. 10, 8 a.m., senior outing, tour Heritage Village's historic buildings & then visit rock shop & museum to view rocks, crystals & fossils, transportation provided from Barbara Bush Library, Spring, <http://apps.hcp4.net/sapevents/> **enjoy, outside**

**COLLECTION & STORAGE OF BUDWOOD** Jan. 13, 9 – 10 a.m., demonstration of collecting & storing useful graft wood for future use, Galveston County Agrilife Discovery Garden, La Marque, [https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ\\_programs/educational\\_programs\\_0118.htm](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ_programs/educational_programs_0118.htm) **learn, class, garden, tree, outside**

**REI OUTDOOR ROCK CLIMBING** Jan. 13, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., learn to climb outdoors at Katy Climb Shop, all gear provided, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, climb, outside**

**TIDAL PADDLE** Jan. 13, 11:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m., join group outing for tidal paddle in Pearland, meet at Bakefish Brewery, <http://www.meetup.com/KayakingHouston/events/> **enjoy, boat, outside**

**GROWING GREAT TOMATOES** Jan. 13, 9 – 11:30 a.m., part 2 of a 3-part program, learn varieties, how to select, when to transplant, & various growing techniques, Galveston County Agrilife Extension Office, La Marque, [https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ\\_programs/educational\\_programs\\_0118.htm](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ_programs/educational_programs_0118.htm) **learn, class, garden, outside**

**HIKING 101 – ALL TEMPERATURES** Jan. 17, 6:45 – 8 p.m., learn how to prepare to hike in all temperatures, online via Facebook Live, (see [www.facebook.com/BayouCityOutdoors](http://www.facebook.com/BayouCityOutdoors)), <http://www.bayoucityoutdoors.com/clubportal/Calendar.cfm?clubID=3> **learn, class, walk, outside**



**ARBOR DAY** Jan. 20, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., free tree seedlings, inflatables, games, face painting, balloon artists, music & more, Hughes Landing, The Woodlands, [http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/enjoy\\_care\\_tree\\_kids\\_outside](http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/enjoy_care_tree_kids_outside)

**KITCHEN GARDENING** Jan. 13, 1 – 3 p.m., learn vegetable gardening in the backyard, emphasis on smaller scale with vegetables inter-planted with flowers & in pots, Galveston County Agrilife Extension Office, La Marque, [https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ\\_programs/educational\\_programs\\_0118.htm](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/galveston/educ_programs/educational_programs_0118.htm) learn, class, garden, outside

**REI MOUNTAIN BIKING BASICS** Jan. 21, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., learn basic mountain biking techniques, ages 14+, Reimer's Ranch, Dripping Spring, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) learn, class, cycle, outside

**BREWDING 101** Jan. 11, 4:30 - 6 p.m., enjoy informal birding & discussion with beverage of choice, Jimmy's on the Pier, Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/> enjoy, learn, bird, outside

**REI OUTDOOR CLIMBING SKILLS** Jan. 13 & Jan. 21, 1 – 5 p.m., learn for gym climbers who want to start climbing outdoors, course covers anchors, movement, technique & gear, Katy Climb Shop, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) learn, class, climb, outside

**Houston Museum of Natural Science WEEKDAY LABS** Jan. 25, Scientific Farming – find out how innovation made farming more productive & better for the environment; Jan. 26, Soap Science –



investigate bubbles, emulsification & soap films; both grades 1 – 8, Sugarland, [www.hmns.org/sugarland](http://www.hmns.org/sugarland) **learn, enjoy, farmer, kids, outside**

**HIKE BRAZOS BEND STATE PARK** Jan. 13, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., join group 10 mi. hike Brazos Bend State Park in Needville, meet at the park nature center, <https://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/calendar/> **enjoy, walk, water, park, outside**

**REI RAPPELLING FOR CLIMBERS** Jan. 13, 1 – 4 p.m., learn to climb, clip into & clean an anchor & rappel back to the ground, Momentum, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, climb, outside**

**REI FIND YOUR PARK: BIG BEND NATIONAL PARK** Jan. 14, 3:30 – 5 p.m., learn about one of the best spots to recreate in Texas, Katy Climb Shop, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, walk, outside**

**Armand Bayou Nature Center PRESERVE WATCH: OSPREYS & EAGLES** Jan. 13, 2:30 - 5 p.m., lecture to learn about these birds, then boat tour to view them along the coast, ages 18+, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, [www.abnc.org](http://www.abnc.org) **enjoy, learn, boat, bird, outside**

**REI SPORT CLIMBING ANCHORS** Jan. 14, 1 – 3 p.m., learn climbing anchor building in this hands-on class, Katy Climb Shop, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, climb, outside**

**Armand Bayou Nature Center MEMBER MEETING** Jan. 20, 10 a.m. - noon, annual meeting for members of the center, 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, [www.abnc.org](http://www.abnc.org) **learn, meeting, outside**



**CAMP/HIKE MARTIN DIES STATE PARK** Jan. 19 – Jan. 21, join group outing to camp & hike in Martin Dies State Park, Jasper, [https://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/calendar/enjoy, camp, walk, outside](https://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/calendar/enjoy,camp,walk,outside)

**NATIVE PLANTS** Jan. 18, 2 - 3 p.m., master naturalist teaches how to create pollinator/nature habitat in your backyard using Texas native plants, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Galveston, [http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/ learn, class, garden, animals, outside](http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/learn,class,garden,animals,outside)

**GARDENING 101: IMPROVE SOIL HEALTH** Jan. 13, 9 a.m. – noon, learn to improve the health of your garden soil, simple tips & resources provided, as well as information on soil testing & a free compost sample, Whole Foods at Hughes Landing, The Woodlands, [http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/ learn, class, garden, outside](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/learn,class,garden,outside)

**COMING HOME TO ROOST** Jan. 14, 4 – 6 p.m., view sandhill cranes at Indiangrass Preserve, as well as other birds, meet at field office, Waller, [http://www.katyprairie.org/events/?view=calendar&month=January-2018 enjoy, walk, bird, outside](http://www.katyprairie.org/events/?view=calendar&month=January-2018enjoy,walk,bird,outside)

**INTRO. TO PADDLING** Jan. 14, 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](http://www.meetup.com/TOWNHouston/events/learn,class,boat,outside)

**SMARTER ABOUT WATER WORKSHOP** Jan. 13, 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., hands-on class to learn to install a timer-chip controlled drip irrigation system or to convert an existing sprinkler head, Parks, Recreation, & Environmental Services, The Woodlands, [http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/ learn, class, water, outside](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/learn,class,water,outside)



**HIKE BIG THICKET NATIONAL PRESERVE** Jan. 20 & Jan. 21, 9 a.m. – noon, join group 11 mi. hike in big Thicket National Preserve, (1/20): meet at Beech Woods trail head, (1/21): meet at Big Sandy trail head Woodville, <https://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/calendar/> enjoy, walk, outside

**STEWARDSHIP: CARING FOR THE PLANTS THAT CARE FOR US** Jan. 28, 6 p.m., free webinar addresses how to care for the natural world, register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/stewardship-caring-for-the-plants-that-care-for-us-tickets-40124443290> learn, lecture, media, garden, lecture, outside

**BRAVOS FOR THE BAY** Jan. 17, evening recognition of staff, supporters, partners & volunteers, contact [eford@galvbay.org](mailto:eford@galvbay.org) for information, <http://www.galvbay.org/> enjoy, outside

**TEXAS WATERSHED STEWARD WORKSHOP** Jan. 17, 1 – 5 p.m., learn to be a steward of your local watershed, indoor training, Don Mcleod Recreation Center, Mont Belvieu, <https://tws.tamu.edu/workshops/workshop-information/> learn, care, class, water, outside

**REI WOMEN'S LEARN TO CLIMB** Jan. 28, 1 – 4 p.m., learn about gear, how to put on harness, basics of belaying & climbing technique on indoor wall, Katy Climb Shop, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) learn, class, climb, outside

**HIKE PELICAN ISLAND** Jan. 14, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., join group 11 mi. hike on Pelican Island, meet at Sea Wolf Park, Galveston, <https://www.meetup.com/Houston-Area-Trails-More/events/calendar/> enjoy, walk, outside



**IMPROVING SOIL HEALTH GLOBALLY** Jan. 9, 1 p.m., webinar on soil health principles that can be applied worldwide, case studies from 5 countries will be presented, <http://www.climatewebinars.net/webinars/improving-soil-health-globally/view> **learn, lecture, farmer, outside**

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

**REEF ON THE ROAD EXHIBIT** thru Mar. 2018, enjoy beauty & diversity of underwater life in this travelling exhibit, learn to how to conserve ocean environment, City by the Sea Museum, Palacios, <https://flowergarden.noaa.gov/newsevents/calendar.html> **enjoy, learn, animals, water, 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**

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

**SPRING CREEK PADDLE TRIP** Jan. 21, 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**



**RESPONDING TO OIL SPILLS** Jan. 9, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., training webinar by the Gulf of Mexico alliance, learn to respond to an oil spill, <http://gulfofmexicoalliance.org/announcements/events/> **learn, class, pollution, outside**

**REI CLIMBING MOVEMENT & TECHNIQUE** Jan. 17, 6 – 8 p.m., improve footwork, handwork & body movement skills for climbing, Katy Climb Shop, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, climb, outside**

**Galveston Island State Park STARGAZING 101** Jan. 20, 6 – 7 p.m., enjoy stargazing in an especially dark location in the park, learn constellations, meet at nature center, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) **enjoy, walk, park, outside**

**REI OUTDOOR ROCK CLIMBING** Jan. 21, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., learn to climb outdoors at Reimers Ranch, all gear provided, Dripping Spring, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, climb, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park YOGA IN THE PARK** Jan. 9 & Jan. 20, 6 - 7 p.m., class for all experience levels, meet at Elm Lake Day Use Picnic Area, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/brazos-bend/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/brazos-bend/park_events) **enjoy, learn, park, outside**

**CITIZEN'S CLIMATE LOBBY MEETING** Jan. 17, 6 p.m., organization that advocates for carbon fee & dividend to address climate change, Conroe Public Library, Conroe, <https://www.facebook.com/CCLWoodlands/> **learn, meeting, energy, pollution, outside**

**BRING THE BAG** Jan. 18, 10 a.m. – noon, presenter from Turtle Island Restoration Network discusses impact of plastic bags on the environment, also, make re-usable bag with t-shirt (bring your





own), Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/> **learn, lecture, pollution, outside**

**TURTLE BARN TOUR** Jan. 17, 10 - 11 a.m., tour turtle barn at National Marine Fisheries Protected Species Branch, the only facility that raises captive sea turtles for research, GINTC office, Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/> **enjoy, learn, animals, outside**

**REI WOMEN'S BACKPACKING BASICS** Jan. 28, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., overview of backpacking planning, preparation & gear, Katy Climb Shop, Katy, see classes & events at [www.rei.com](http://www.rei.com) **learn, class, walk, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION** Jan. 19 & Jan. 20, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., take home a free tree sapling & learn about tree planting & care, exhibits & activities highlight local forest plants, Webelos can fulfill Forester Badge requirements, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://resources.gssjc.org/Lists/Council%20Information%20Network/Attachments/655/WinterSpring%202013.pdf> **care, learn, tree, kids, park, outside**

**THERE'S A CORAL REEF WHERE?** Jan. 16, 1;30 – 3:30 p.m., presenter from Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary discusses coral reefs of Texas, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Galveston, <http://www.galvestonnaturetourism.org/nature-events/> **learn, lecture, animals, outside**

**ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE HOUSTON**



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

**TEXAS CITY PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAY 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.**, volunteers remove invasive species, harvest native seeds, plant marsh grasses & tend butterfly garden, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunity **Jan. 12** [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 **Jan. 14 & Jan. 21** [enjoy, learn, kids, park, outside](#)

**TOWN MEETING 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon., 6:30 p.m.**, ladies-only group, meeting of Texas Outdoor Women's Network at Pallota's Italian Grill, Conroe, <https://www.facebook.com/OutdoorWomenHouston/> Next Opportunity **Feb. 12** [learn, meeting, outside](#)

**ELECTRONICS RECYCLING 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.**, City of Houston & Compucycle offer recycling of electronics, Ellington Field/Clear Lake Neighborhood Recycling Center, Webster, <http://www.compucycle.net/residential-recycling/collection-events/month.calendar/2017/2/1/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** [care, recycle, outside](#)

**Lake Houston Wilderness Park ANIMAL CLASSES Sat., 10 – 11 a.m. & 2 – 3 p.m.**, learn about animals in the park, New Caney, <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/parksites/lakehoustonpark.html> Next



Opportunities **Jan. 13**, Topics: Geocaching (a.m.) & Turtles (p.m.) & **Jan. 20**, Topics: Birds of the Piney Woods (a.m.) & Animal Eyes (p.m.) [learn, enjoy, animals, kids, park, outside](#)

**Huntsville State Park** [BUILD A GATOR FAMILY WORKSHOP](#) **Sat., 12 – 1 p.m.**, turn an audience member into a gator while learning what it takes to make a gator, Huntsville, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/huntsville/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/huntsville/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [enjoy, learn, animals, park, outside](#)

**Huntsville State Park** [TRAIL RECOVERY & CLEAN-UP](#) **Sun., 8:30 a.m. – noon (thru Jan. 14)**, volunteers work to clear trails of hurricane damage, Huntsville, [https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/huntsville/park\\_events](https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/huntsville/park_events) Next Opportunity **Jan. 14** [care, enjoy, walk, park, outside](#)

**Galveston Island State Park** [WINTER BIRDING 101](#) **Fri., 1 – 2 p.m.**, family-friendly class on most common birds seen in winter, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 12 & Jan. 19** [learn, class, kids, bird, park, outside](#)

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

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

[CEDAR BAYOU FRIENDS MEETING](#) **1<sup>st</sup> Tues., 7 p.m. (every other month)**, group dedicated to preserving & protecting Cedar Bayou, Roseland Park Pavilion, Baytown,



<https://www.facebook.com/cedarbayoufriends> Next Opportunity **Feb. 6** 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 **Jan. 14 & Jan. 21** enjoy, learn, walk, kids, park, 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 **Jan. 10 & Jan. 17** care, garden, park, outside

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

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

[PLANT STUDY GROUP](#) usually 1<sup>st</sup> Tues., 7 – 9 p.m. & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., join group for classroom study on Tuesday, followed by plant walks in park on Saturday, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **TBD** learn, enjoy, class, walk, bird, park, outside

**Houston Museum of Natural Science** [MEMBER EVENT](#) 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 10 a.m., special event for members on the second Saturday, Sugarland, [www.hmns.org/sugerland](http://www.hmns.org/sugerland), Next Opportunity **Jan. 13**, Featuring: Free dig pit ticket enjoy, Houston



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

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

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

**SEABORNE CREEK NATURE PARK WALK** 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9:30 a.m. - noon, guided interpretive walks in park, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 27** **enjoy, walk, park, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park INVASIVES BEWARE** usually 1<sup>st</sup> Sun., 9 - 11 a.m., document & remove invasive plants & animals, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunity **Jan. 21** **care, garden, animals, park, outside**

**Galveston Island State Park BEACHCOMBING** Sat., 10 – 11 a.m., shell hunting workshop, learn to identify shells, go on expedition to find shells on beach, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** **learn, enjoy, walk, animals, park, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park TADPOLES CLUB** Weds., 10:30 a.m. or 1 p.m. (during school year), interactive program for pre-school kids, animals, puppets, crafts, stories, short walks & more, 20634



Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunity **TBD** care, garden, park, outside

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

**Jesse Jones Park BIRDING** 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 7:45 – 10:45 a.m., guided birding in the park, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/Calendar/monthly-calendar> Next Opportunity **Feb. 3** enjoy, bird, walk, park, 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 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. & 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Weds., 9 – 11 a.m., volunteers work in gardens, or greenhouse, Seaborne Creek Park, Rosenberg, <http://txmn.org/coastal/> Next Opportunities **Jan. 10 & Jan. 20** care, enjoy, garden, outside

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

**STORMWATER WETLAND PROGRAM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY** Thurs., 9 a.m. – noon, volunteers propagate plants in nursery at Exploration Green, 1801 Neptune Ln., Clear Lake, or at





Gulf Coast Bird Observatory in Lake Jackson, Contact [Mcedwards@tamu.edu](mailto:Mcedwards@tamu.edu) for details, <http://www.txgcmn.org/calendar> Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** 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 **Jan. 12 & Jan. 19** enjoy, boat, park, outside

**CITIZEN'S CLIMATE LOBBY MEETING** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., organization that advocates for carbon fee & dividend to address climate change, Houston Advanced Research Center, Spring, [https://citizensclimatelobby.org/chapters/TX\\_The\\_Woodlands/](https://citizensclimatelobby.org/chapters/TX_The_Woodlands/) Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** learn, meeting, energy, pollution, 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.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/rivarowboathouse> Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 – Jan. 15 & Jan. 18 – Jan. 22** enjoy, boat, outside

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

**SATURDAYS at the GEORGE** Sat., 3 – 10 p.m., stargazing at the George Observatory, Needville, [www.hmns.org/observatory](http://www.hmns.org/observatory) Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** enjoy, outside

**DEER PARK PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAY** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds. & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 9 a.m. - noon, join Houston chapter of Native Prairies Assoc. of TX in work at preserve, seed collecting on Weds., 1222 E.





Purdue Ln, Deer Park, HNPAT@TexasPrairie.org <https://hnpat.wordpress.com/hnpat-activities/field-trips/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 10** **care, enjoy, garden, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park TAI CHI in the PARK Weds., 9 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 **Jan. 10 & Jan. 17** **enjoy, park, outside**

**DEER PARK BIRD SURVEY 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 7:30 – 9 a.m.**, Deer Park Prairie, 1222 E. Purdue Ln, Deer Park, 936-827-7973, [http://texasprairie.org/index.php/news\\_and\\_events/](http://texasprairie.org/index.php/news_and_events/) Next Opportunity **Jan. 27** **care, bird, park, outside**

**Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office GREEN THUMB LECTURE 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat., 10 a.m. – noon, (Jan. – Oct.)** Maude Marks Library, 1815 Westgreen Blvd, Katy, register 281-855-5600, <http://hcmga.tamu.edu/Public/>. Next Opportunity **TBD**, Topic: TBD **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 Opportunity **TBD** **enjoy, boat, outside**

**KINGWOOD FARMERS MARKET Thurs., 3 – 7 p.m.**, Town Center Park, 8 North Main St., Kingwood, <http://www.towncenterevents.com/farmersmarket> Next Opportunities **Jan. 11 & Jan. 18** **care, farmers, outside**

**Jesse Jones Park SECOND SUNDAY PICKERS 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 2 – 4 p.m.**, concert in the park, 20634 Kenswick Dr, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/jones/>, Next opportunity **Jan. 14** **enjoy, park, outside**



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

**[KATY FARMERS' MARKET](#) Sat., 8 a.m. – noon, Church of the Holy Apostles, Katy. Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [care, farmers, outside](#)**

**Galveston Island State Park [BAY TOWER HIKE](#) Sat., 3 - 4 p.m., guided hike, cast nets to explore bay life, taste edible plants, on way to observation tower, Galveston, [http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park\\_events](http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/galveston-island/park_events) Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [enjoy, learn, walk, water, animals, kids, park, outside](#)**

**Jesse Jones Park [FRIENDS MEETING](#) 1<sup>st</sup> Fri., 1 p.m., 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](#)**

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

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



**CROSBY FARMERS' MARKET** Tues., 3 - 7 p.m., 311 Wahl St., Crosby Next Opportunities Jan. 9 & Jan. 16 care, farmers, outside

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

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

**Kleb Woods Nature Center BIRD WALK** Weds., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. & 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 8 – 10 a.m., 20303 Draper Rd, Tomball, 281-357-5324. Next opportunities Jan. 10 & Jan. 17 enjoy, outside, bird, walk

**MARYSEE PRAIRIE PRESERVE WORK DAYS** 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., 220 County Rd. 2077, Hull, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events>, Next opportunity Feb. 3 care, 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 opportunities Jan. 10 & Jan. 17 learn, enjoy, kids, outside



**Kleb Woods Nature Center** **VOLUNTEER WORK CREW** Mon./Tues., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., 20303 Draper Rd, Tomball, 281-357-5324. Next opportunities **Jan. 9, Jan. 15/Jan. 16 & Jan. 22** care, enjoy, 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 Opportunity **TBD**, Location: **TBD** enjoy, boat, kids, outside

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

**Baytown Nature Center** **TYKE HIKE** some Fri., 10 a.m., 6213 Bayway Dr, call (281) 424-9198, <http://www.baytown.org/city-hall/departments/parks-recreation/baytown-nature-center/calendar>, Next opportunity **TBD** enjoy, walk, kids, outside

**Kleb Woods Nature Center** **GARDEN VOLUNTEER GROUP** Tues. & 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., 20303 Draper Rd, Tomball, 281-357-5324. Next opportunities **Jan. 9 & Jan. 16** care, enjoy, garden, outside

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



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

[GROGAN'S MILL FARMERS MARKET](#) **Sat., 8 a.m. – noon**, 2230 Buckthorn Pl, Spring. Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** **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 **Jan. 10 & Jan. 17** **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 **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** **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**

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

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



**BRIDGELAND FARMERS MARKET** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun., 12:30 – 3:30 p.m., parking lot adjacent to the Activity Center in Bridgeland, 16902 North Bridgeland Lake Pkwy, Cypress. Next Opportunity **Jan. 14** care, farmers, outside

**Armand Bayou Nature Ctr** **BIRD COUNT** usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 7 – 10 a.m., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, [www.houstonaudubon.org](http://www.houstonaudubon.org). Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** care, bird, outside

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

**Katy Prairie Conservancy** **WORK DAYS** Tues., 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. and Fri & Sat, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., at Indiangrass Preserve, Waller, remove invasives, mulch trails, restore habitat, remove brush, <http://www.katyprairie.org/events> Next Opportunities **Jan. 9, Jan. 12/Jan. 13 & Jan. 16, Jan. 19/Jan. 20** care, garden, outside

**CLEAR LAKE SHORES FARMERS' MARKET** Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., 1020 Marina Bay Dr, Clear Lake Shores Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** 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** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 **TBD**, Topic: TBD 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 **Jan. 9 - Jan. 12/Jan. 13 & Jan. 16 - Jan. 19/Jan. 20** **care, enjoy, kids, fish, outside**

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

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

**Sea Center Texas STORY TIME Sat. & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri., check calendar**, 300 Medical Dr, Lake Jackson, <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/visitorcenters/seacenter/> Next opportunities **Jan. 13, Jan. 19, & Jan. 20** **care, enjoy, kids, fish, outside**

**PEARLAND FARMERS MARKET 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat., 8 a.m. – noon**, Zychlinski Park, 2243 N Grand Blvd, Pearland, Next Opportunity **Jan. 13** **care, farmers, outside**

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





**Mercer Arboretum** [STORY TIME IN THE GARDEN](#) 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon., 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercer/>. Next opportunity **Jan. 15** [enjoy, kids, garden, outside](#)

**SIERRA CLUB Monthly Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Bay Area Community Ctr, 5002 E. NASA Pkwy, Seabrook, <http://www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings/events/> Next Opportunity **Jan. 17**, Topic: TBD [care, learn, outside](#)

**TOMBALL FARMERS' MARKET** Sat., 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., 205 W. Main, Tomball Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** [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 **Jan. 9/Jan. 11 & Jan. 16/Jan. 18** [care, enjoy, garden, outside](#)

**Mercer Arboretum & Botanic Garden** [LUNCH BUNCH](#) usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Weds., noon – 2 p.m., learn about a gardening topic, bring your own lunch, 22306 Aldine Westfield Rd, Humble, <http://www.hcp4.net/mercer/>. Next opportunity **Jan. 10**, Topic: Trees of Houston: How to Prepare for Spring [learn, enjoy, garden, outside](#)

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



**HIGH ISLAND WORK DAY** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 8:30 a.m. – noon, maintain bird sanctuary, lunch provided, 2088 5th St, High Island, Contact [pdeichmann@houstonaudubon.org](mailto:pdeichmann@houstonaudubon.org), Next opportunity **Jan. 13** care, bird, outside

**NASSAU BAY FARMERS' MARKET** Sat., 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., 18045 Upper Bay Rd, Nassau Bay. Next Opportunities **Jan. 13 & Jan. 20** 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 **Jan. 13/Jan. 14 & Jan. 20/Jan. 21** 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 **Jan. 13/Jan. 14 & Jan. 20/Jan. 21** 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 **Jan. 10 & Jan. 12**, Topic: Field Biologist 2 – Outdoor Basics & **Jan. 17 & Jan. 19**, Topic: Martyn Farm learn, class, kids, animals, 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 **Jan. 12 & Jan. 19** 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 **Jan. 13 (a.m. only) & Jan. 20 (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 **Jan. 10 & Jan. 12**, Topic: Racoons & **Jan. 17 & Jan. 19**, Topic: Opossums [learn, enjoy, class, kids, bird, animals, outside](#)

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [GUIDED CANOE TOUR](#) normally 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat.s, 8 – 11 a.m., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, Fees & registration may be required, <http://www.abnc.org> Next opportunity **Jan. 13** [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 opportunities **Jan. 14, 1 – 2:30 p.m.**, Tigers: Tigers in the Wild & **3 – 4:30 p.m.**, Wolves: Paws on Path [learn, class, kids, walk, animals, outside](#)

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

**Armand Bayou Nature Center** [ECO-TOTS](#) alt. Fri., 9:30 – 11 a.m. (during school year), adult + kids 18 mo. – 3, different nature topic each session (course repeats for two successive Fri.), includes



story/songs/short hike/etc., 8500 Bay Area Blvd, Pasadena, <http://www.abnc.org>, Next opportunity **Jan. 12**, Topic: Fur & Camouflage & **Jan. 19**, Topic: Bobcats **learn, enjoy, class, kids, bird, garden, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park** **BRAZOS RIVER PICKERS** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat., 5 – 7 p.m. (Oct. – Apr.), bluegrass/old time music in the park, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org) Next opportunity **Jan. 13** **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 **Jan. 13**, 1 – 3 p.m., Brownies: Hiker & 9 a.m. – noon, Juniors: Outdoor Art Explorer **learn, kids, walk, outside**

**Brazos Bend State Park** **BIRD WATCHING HIKE** usually every other Fri., 8 a.m. & certain Sat./Sun. (Jan. – May), 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, (fee to enter), [www.brazosbend.org](http://www.brazosbend.org) Next opportunity **Jan. 17** **enjoy, bird, walk, park, outside**

**CHALLENGES & TREATMENT SOLUTIONS FOR SMALL WATER SYSTEMS** monthly, 1 p.m., monthly webinar by EPA to communicate with drinking water systems professionals, <https://www.epa.gov/water-research/small-systems-monthly-webinar-series> Next Opportunity **Jan. 30**, Topic: Alternative Disinfection – Dichlor & Trichlor **learn, lecture, media, water, outside**

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



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

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

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

**GALVESTON COUNTY AUDUBON MEETING & BIRDING FIELD TRIP** usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. & prior Weds., (except Dec.), time varies, various locations, [galvestoncountyaudubongroup@gmail.com](mailto:galvestoncountyaudubongroup@gmail.com), <http://houstonaudubon.org/programs/calendar.html> Next opportunity : Meeting: **Jan. 18** Trip: **Jan. 20**, Meeting Topic: TBD, Trip Location: TBD learn, meeting, enjoy, walk, bird, outside