Celebrate the “Year of the Bird” with us
Join naturalists, volunteers and local bird enthusiasts to become more familiar with not only the birds in the Park, but how to attract them to your own habitat.

You’ve waited all summer...
Free programs begin the first week of June! Explore the pond, organic garden, forest, field and stream using magnifying glasses, collection jars, nets, microscopes and binoculars. Sign up for Wednesday programs to learn about tunneling moles, the power of the Sun, and insects. Many programs are open house, and some require registration. Details inside!

Explore the pond, stream and garden
Meet a naturalist every Saturday between 10 a.m. and noon ready to explore these unique habitats. No registration necessary. Wear your old tennis shoes and plan to get wet and dirty.

Upcoming events:
Summer Solstice Campfire, June 22
Insects of the Night, July 20
Celebrate Hummingbirds, August 25
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<td>Saturday, June 2</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>It's time to reveal our summer StoryWalk®! Bring your little ones and discover what book we have chosen for summer. This is an “on-your-own” activity along the Little Acorn Trail. Coordinator: Rachel Koch</td>
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<td>Join Walk Bike Nashville for our free Greenway Ride on Saturday, June 2 from 10-11:30 a.m. This is a great opportunity to ride on one of Nashville’s beautiful greenways. For more information, visit <a href="https://june2greenwayride.eventbrite.com">https://june2greenwayride.eventbrite.com</a>. Leaders: Walk/Bike Nashville and Melissa Donahue</td>
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<td>iSpy: Dirt Discovery</td>
<td>Friday, June 8</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>Search for animals, plants and fungi that call the dirt, soil and humus home. Arrive anytime between 10 a.m. and noon to explore with a naturalist. Leader: Heather Gallagher</td>
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<td>“Blue” Hike on the “Green” way</td>
<td>Saturday, June 9</td>
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<td>Great blue herons, blue grosbeaks, kingfishers and other “blue” birds will lead our bird hike through the forest and field along the Little Harpeth River. Leaders: Chris Sloan and Heather Gallagher</td>
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**Intimate Landscapes of Warner Parks**

By photographer Jo Fields

June through August 2018
Opening reception Saturday, June 9 4-6 p.m.

In 2015, Jo Fields decided to learn more about nature and photography by spending time on the roads and trails of Warner Park. This rewarding journey culminated in the opportunity to share “Intimate Landscapes of Warner Parks” at Warner Park Nature Center. The collection represents moments captured in the Park across the seasons, along with other images from the Nashville area.

Coordinator: Vera Roberts

**Warner Park Walks:**

**The Burch Reserve**

Saturday, June 9 10:30 a.m.-noon
Age level: 8 years and up
Online registration is open

Walk the Burch Reserve on a summer morning.
Leaders: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers

**Tunnels and Dens**

Wednesday, June 13 10-11:30 a.m.
Age level: All ages
Online registration opens May 29

Do snakes REALLY dig holes? Or do they find abandoned tunnels to make their homes? Investigate animals that burrow underground—and some that don’t.
Leaders: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers

**Who is Nesting in Warner Park?**

Friday, June 15 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Age level: 8 years and up
Online registration opens May 31

Learn techniques and tips for how to find, identify and observe summer nesting birds; then join us to explore for active nests.
Leaders: Laura & Elizabeth Cook, BIRD Team Volunteers

**iSpy: Forest Mysteries**

Friday, June 15 10 a.m.-noon
Age level: All ages
Registration not required

Search for mysteries in the forest as we peek under rocks, peer into cavities and peruse rotting logs. Arrive anytime between 10 a.m. and noon to explore with a naturalist.
Leader: Rachel Anderson

**Grand Outing: Purple Martins**

Friday, June 15 10-11 a.m.
Age level: Ages 2-6 years
Online registration opens May 31

Have you noticed the white gourds hanging in the Nature Center field? The gourds are home to our summer resident Purple Martins. Let’s learn about the summer activities of these birds and check out their homes.
Leader: Melissa Donahue

**Warner Park Walks: Summer Bird Saunter**

Saturday, June 16 6:30-8 a.m.
Age level: 8 and up
Online registration opens June 1

Meander to the scenic overlook in Edwin Warner Park and search for tanagers, buntings and other summer songbirds along the way.
Leader: Rachel Anderson

**Sunbeams and Solar Ovens**

Wednesday, June 20 10-11:30 a.m.
Age level: All ages
Online registration opens June 5

Harness the power of sunbeams with only a cardboard box and a few other materials. We’ll learn about our closet star and its power.
Leader: Nature Center Staff, Volunteers and LightWave Solar

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### iSpy: Reptiles and Amphibians

**Date:** Friday, June 22  
**Time:** 10 a.m.-noon  
**Age Level:** All ages  
**Registration:** Not required  
**Summary:** Search for frogs, salamanders and skinks while taking a short hike through the pond, trail, and creek looking for amphibians and reptiles. Arrive anytime between 10 a.m. and noon to explore with a naturalist.  
**Leader:** Sandra Bojic

### Summer Solstice Campfire

**Date:** Friday, June 22  
**Time:** 7:30-9 p.m.  
**Age Level:** All ages  
**Registration:** Online registration opens June 7  
**Summary:** Celebrate midsummer by sitting around a bright campfire to welcome the new season. Listen to music, the summer insects and maybe even some hooting owls.  
**Leaders:** Rachel Koch, Sandra Bojic and Volunteers

### Warner Park Walks:

#### The Meadow

**Date:** Saturday, June 23  
**Time:** 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
**Age Level:** 8 years and up  
**Registration:** Online registration opens June 8  
**Summary:** Binoculars and magnifiers will reveal the animals and plants that thrive in the Park's fields and meadows. We’ll provide the tools; you provide the curiosity.  
**Leader:** Nature Center Staff

#### Tree Trail

**Date:** Saturday, June 23  
**Time:** 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
**Age Level:** All ages  
**Registration:** Online registration opens June 12  
**Summary:** Animal eyes vary from grasshoppers to hummingbirds. Use your own eyes to see the world as insects, mammals and other animals.  
**Leaders:** Nature Center Staff and Volunteers

### iSpy: Insectivores

**Date:** Friday, June 29  
**Time:** 10 a.m.-noon  
**Age Level:** All ages  
**Registration:** Not required  
**Summary:** Search for animals that exclusively eat insects in the pond, forest, creek and garden.  
**Leader:** Kim Bailey

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**Tickets may be purchased through nowplayingnashville.com. For more information, visit www.warnerparks.org.**

**All funds raised by the Pickin’ Parties support protecting and preserving the Park.**

### Warner Park Walks: Hike to Dripping Springs

**Date:** Saturday, June 30  
**Time:** 8:30-10 a.m.  
**Age Level:** Adults, 13+  
**Registration:** Online registration opens June 15  
**Summary:** Explore a section of the Mossy Ridge trail, between Deep Well and Dripping Springs.  
**Leader:** Kim Bailey

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<td><strong>Warner Park Walks: Old Roadway Stroll</strong></td>
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<td>All ages, Online registration required</td>
<td>Avoid the heat underneath the forest canopy. Strollers welcome on this paved and pedestrian-friendly trail. Leader: Rachel Koch</td>
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<td><strong>G.F.I. (Garden Fresh Investigation)</strong></td>
<td>Wednesday, July 11</td>
<td>All ages, Online registration required</td>
<td>Join us at the Nature Center for a G.F. I. We will explore the garden from top to bottom and discover home grown veggies are best. Leaders: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers</td>
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<td>Friday, July 13</td>
<td>All ages, Online registration not required</td>
<td>Search for summer flowers and the pollinators that are attracted to them. Arrive any time between 10 a.m. and noon to explore with a naturalist. Leader: Rachel Koch</td>
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<td><strong>Counting Butterflies</strong></td>
<td>Saturday, July 14</td>
<td>Adults, 13+, Online registration is open</td>
<td>Gather data for the North American Butterfly Association’s July Count while contributing to citizen science. Bring your smartphone or camera and add to our iNaturalist biodiversity project. Come for as many hours as you like. Leaders: Melissa Donahue and Kim Bailey</td>
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<td>Saturday, July 14</td>
<td>All ages, Online registration opens June 22</td>
<td>Explore the creek, forest and field by road and trail on this one-mile hike. Leader: Emma Miller</td>
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<td><strong>Trail Dogs Night Out</strong></td>
<td>Saturday, July 14</td>
<td>Adults, 13+, Online registration is open</td>
<td>This is not your average trail day. Bring a friend and beat the heat while experiencing the Park under a different light as we tackle a little trail work in the evening. Leader: Paul Fowler</td>
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<td><strong>Summer Creek Sleuths</strong></td>
<td>Wednesday, July 18</td>
<td>All ages, Online registration opens July 3</td>
<td>From queen snakes to crayfish, we will search for all things that live in the creek during the summer. Leaders: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers</td>
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<td><strong>Veggies and Flowers for Birds and for Me</strong></td>
<td>Thursday, July 19</td>
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<td>Stroll through the Nature Center’s organic garden and native landscaping to learn all about how to grow delicious vegetables and provide important habitat for birds, butterflies and other native wildlife. Leader: Vera Roberts</td>
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<td>Walk the “Trace” while learning about the woods buffalo, local American Indians and colorful characters that hiked this trail over 5,000 years. Leader: Heather Gallagher and Nature Center History Volunteers</td>
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<td><strong>Water Play Day</strong></td>
<td>Wednesday, July 25 10-11:30 a.m.</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>opens July 10</td>
<td>It is summertime and it is HOT! Refresh yourself with us. We’ll play in water, discuss animals that live in or near the water and explore anything and all things water. Leader: Rachel Koch</td>
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<td><strong>iSpy: The Solar System</strong></td>
<td>Friday, July 27 10 a.m.-noon</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>not required</td>
<td>Search for the planets along the mile-long paved walk outside of the Nature Center. Arrive anytime between 10 a.m. and noon to explore with the naturalist. Leader: Heather Gallagher</td>
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<td><strong>Warner Park Walks: Evening at the Burch Reserve</strong></td>
<td>Saturday, July 28 7-8:30 p.m.</td>
<td>8 years and up</td>
<td>opens July 13</td>
<td>Watch the Sun set across the Burch Reserve as we saunter through the meadows in search of crepuscular critters. Leader: Rachel Anderson</td>
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<td>Saturday, August 4 10-11 a.m.</td>
<td>All ages</td>
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<td>Wear your old tennis shoes to explore Vaughn’s Creek for reptiles and amphibians. Leader: Rachel Anderson</td>
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<td><strong>Splash the Trash</strong></td>
<td>Saturday, August 4 10 a.m.-1 p.m.</td>
<td>Adults, 13+</td>
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<td>Get wet and do some good while working to ensure the Little Harpeth River remains beautifully inviting as both an aquatic habitat and recreational amenity. Leader: Paul Fowler</td>
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<td>Hummingbird Banding Project</td>
<td>Saturdays beginning August 11 from 7:30-9 a.m.</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>Observe live hummingbird research during ruby-throated hummingbird migration this August and early September. Licensed banders use traps to carefully catch, band and release each bird. Coordinator: Heather Gallagher</td>
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<td>Warner Park Walks: Late Summer Wildflowers</td>
<td>Saturday, August 11 10 a.m.-noon</td>
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<td>Goldenrod, ironweed and milkweed await insects, hummingbirds and you. Stroll Long Hollow field to capture the end of the summer pollinators and pollinated. Leader: Heather Gallagher</td>
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<td>Sunrise Saunter</td>
<td>Saturday, August 18 7-8:30 a.m.</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>The early morning is the best time for a late summer hike. Saunter in the cool morning through Warner Park, enjoying morning birdsong and the shade of the forest. Leaders: Vera Roberts and Melissa Donahue</td>
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<td>World Honey Bee Day Open House at Harpeth Hills Golf Course</td>
<td>Saturday, August 18 9:30-11 a.m.</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>The world is abuzz about bees on World Honey Bee Day! Celebrate with us at the Harpeth Hills Club House to observe bees in a hive, and learn all about these amazing insects. Leaders: Vera Roberts, Melissa Donahue &amp; Volunteers</td>
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<td>Yard Yeast: Bootleg Biology for Beer Lovers</td>
<td>Thursday, August 23 6 p.m.</td>
<td>Adults, 21+</td>
<td>Join Jeff Mellow, Chief Yeast Wrangler of “Bootleg”, to learn how beer is made, and how you can make beer at home using only yeast from your backyard. This educational session will include a beer tasting with Mantra Artisan Ales, as well as a trek through Warner Park in search of wild beer yeast. Bootleg Biology is a local Nashville yeast company that produces locally sourced yeast and bacteria. Presenters: Jeff Mello, Owner and Founder, Bootleg Biology, and Derrick Morse, Mantra Artisan Ales</td>
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<td>Celebrate Hummingbirds</td>
<td>Saturday, August 25 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.</td>
<td>All ages</td>
<td>Ruby-throated hummingbirds are migrating South! Celebrate our smallest bird with local nurseries and other groups dedicated to conserving hummingbirds. Friends of Warner Parks, The Wood Thrush Shop and the Bellevue Branch of the Nashville Public Library will also join us to celebrate.</td>
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27: The Eyes Have It, 10-11:30 a.m., all ages
29: iSpy: Insectivores, 10 a.m.-noon, all ages
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Insects of the Night is July 20!

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