BEAMAN PARK NATURE CENTER



Visit Beaman Park Nature Center at 5911 Old Hickory Boulevard Ashland City, TN 37015

The Nature Center is open
Tuesday through Friday from 12-4 p.m.
and Saturday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Park trails are open every day from sunrise until sunset.

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Fall 2025: Changing of the Seasons

As the season progresses into fall, fall in touch with your wild side. Beaman Park has several programs for all ages to enjoy the changing weather. From Autumn trees changing colors, to watching the birds migrate for the winter, to even the last few wildflowers of the year—fall is almost here.

Beaman Park will have our fireplace roaring once the cooler weather rolls around. We will continue to have Full Moon hikes, programs for Metro's Fall Break, and many volunteer opportunities. Get away from the city and breathe in some fresh autumn air on one of our trails. If you are not sure where to start, feel free to stop at the Nature Center for advice on which trail to do.

Park and program updates can be found on our Facebook and Instagram pages and our website. If you would like to get involved by volunteering or donating, visit friendsofbeamanpark.org. Park and program updates can be found on our <u>Facebook page</u> and our <u>website</u>.

Recurring Program		
Beaman Park Trailwork Days	Saturdays, 9/6, 10/4, 11/1 9 a.mnoon Age level: All ages	You can help Beautify the Park- pick up trash, clean the nature center windows or removing invasive plants. Projects are available throughout the park, and groups are welcome. Leaders: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers; volunteers are needed! Email friendsofbeamanpark@gmail.com to volunteer.
September		
The Nature Center will Enjoy the Hummingbirds!	be closed in observance Saturday, September 6	e of Labor Day on Tuesday, September 2. Drop in to observe our tiniest birds in action not only
,,	Drop by between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.	around feeders, but in the wildflower garden and forest at the Nature Center.
Full Corn Moon Night Hike	Age level: All ages Saturday, September 6	Leader: Heather Gallagher Hike the ridges and hollows of Beaman Park under the
ruii Com Moon Night Fike	6:30-8:30 p.m. Age level: 8 and up	light of the bright Corn Moon. Meet at the Nature Center. Leader: Zach Knight
Natural History of Little Marrowbone Road		Take a short walk and talk with Luke exploring the surprising ecology, geology and plant life found along
Friday, September 12		the roadside near the scenic creek. Discover how
10 a.mnoon Age level: Adults, 13 and up		nature thrives in overlooked spaces right at the edge of the pavement. Program will begin at roadside pull-off of LMR.
		Leader: Luke Mahrenholz, Western Highland Rim Steward for Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
Early Fall Wildflowers	Saturday, September 13 1-2:30 p.m. Age level: All ages	Turtleheads, orchids and more will guide this Creekside wildflower hike. Leader: Nature Center Staff
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Friday, September 19

1-2:30 p.m. Age level: All ages

Nashville Native Orchids

Presenter: Soraya Cates Parr

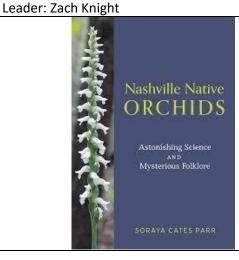
Saturday, September 20

Life in Henry Creek

1 p.m.

Age level: 8 and up

Soraya's exciting presentation is sure to please nature loves and native plant devotees alike! Astonishing science and mysterious folklore delves into the six native species of orchids found in Davidson County that are part of the area's cultural heritage. Parr considers the effect of climate change on these vibrant flowers while advocating for a sustainable approach to Nashville development in order to preserve their natural ecosystem.



Investigate the life of Henry Hollow Creek. We will be looking for flowers, reptiles, amphibians, and more.

Please bring water shoes and meet at the Creekside

Trailhead.

Trail Day: Bench Project	Saturday, September 20	Friends of Beaman Park is replacing benches in the
-	9 a.m.	Park! Email the Nature Center to be a part of this great
	Age level: Adults, 13 and	project. beamanpark@nashville.gov
	up	Leader: Friends of Beaman Park
Migrating Birds of Beaman	Saturday, September 27	Observe and learn about bird species flying through
	9 a.m.	Tennessee on their way south for winter. Meet at the
	Age level: Adults, 13 and	Creekside trailhead at 9 a.m. This hike will take
	up	approximately 2 hours.
		Leader: Barbara Harris, Tennessee Ornithological
		Society
Fall Scavenger Hunt	Saturday, September 27	Celebrate the season by picking up a fall scavenger
	10-11 a.m.	hunt at the Nature Center; complete it for a fabulous
	Age level: All ages	prize!
		Leader: Heather Gallagher
Learn the Trees of the	Saturday, September 27	Did you know we have a brochure identifying trees
Boardwalk	1-2 p.m.	around the Nature Center Boardwalk? Pick one up and
	Age level: All ages	take a walk along this accessible trail next to the Nature
		Center.
		Leader: Heather Gallagher

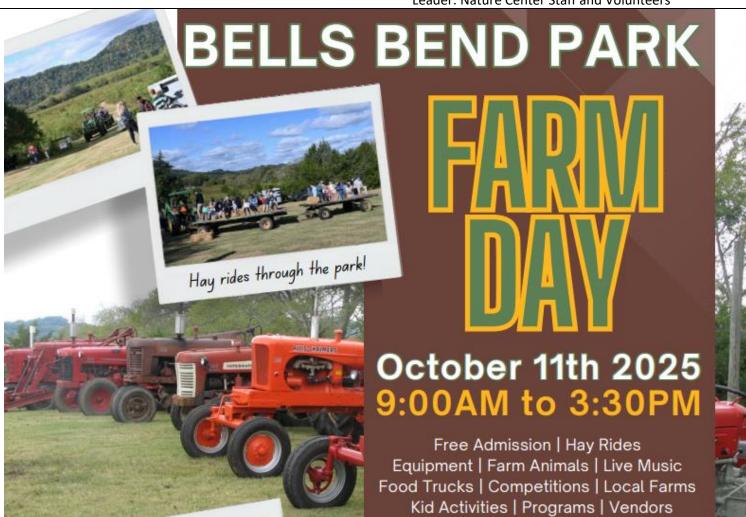
October

Full Hunter's Moon Hike

Monday, October 6

6-8 p.m. Age level: 8 and up Experience our beautiful moonlight forest for the Hunter's Moon on this 3.5-mile hike starting at the nature center. Sturdy hiking shoes are recommended.

Leader: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers



	Welcome to Fa	all Break!			
Meet us at the Nature Center, in the creek and on the trail for free, fun, educational programs					
throughout the week!					
Beaman's Long Hollow Trees	Friday, October 10 8:30 a.m.	Take in the splendor of autumn while hiking the ridges of Beaman Park down into Long Hollow.			
	Age level: Adults, 13 and up	Leader: Heather Gallagher and Zach Knight			
Sun Printing on a Fall Day	Saturday, October 11	Cast fall shadows on cyanotype paper using the power			
	11 a.m1 p.m. Age level: All ages	of the Sun and natural materials. Leaders: Nature Center Staff			
Kids' Survival Skills	Tuesday, October 14	Participants will be introduced to skills necessary for			
	9 a.mnoon Age level: Ages 8 and up	successful, and safe excursions outdoors in this hands- on class. We will be outside the entire time so dress for			
	rige level. riges o alla ap	the weather! Parents are required to stay for the			
		duration of the event.			
Homeschoolers Welcome:	Wednesday, October 15	Leader: Krista Allen, Outdoor Nashville Learn about skulls and other bones from different types			
Skulls	10 a.m2 p.m.	of animals. We'll display and identify skulls from			
	Age level: 8 and up	woodchucks to deer and everything in between! Come			
		listen, touch, and talk about the ins and outs of osteological adaptations and skeletal structure of the			
		animals around us.			
		Leader: Isaiah Francescon			
Henry Hollow ROCKS!	Thursday, October 16 10 a.mnoon	Meet at the Nature Center to hike down to the creek in Henry Hollow. We'll observe sedimentary rock,			
	Age level: 8 and up	weathering, erosion, escarpment and more.			
		Leader: Heather Gallagher			
Family Movie Night: Tim	Friday, October 17	When a shy groom practices his wedding vows in the			
Burton's Corpse Bride	6:30-8:30 p.m. Age level: 8 and up	inadvertent presence of a deceased young woman, she rises from the grave assuming he has married her.			
	rige levell o and ap	Sponsored by: Friends of Beaman Park and hosted by			
		Zach Knight			
Fall Colors of Sedge Hill	Saturday, October 18 9 a.m3 p.m.	Witness the transitioning colors of Beaman Park's Sedge Hill Trail.			
	Age level: All ages	Leaders: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers			
Photography Walk	Saturday, October 18	Walk with me through the woods stopping to take			
	3-4 p.m. Age level: 16 and up	photos of nature landscape and animals at some of our most scenic spots in the Park. We will go over the			
	Age level. 10 and up	basics of nature photography. You MUST bring your			
		own camera.			
Fall Mandalas	Friday, Ostabar 21	Leader: Isaiah Francescon			
Faii Mandalas	Friday, October 31 1-2 p.m.	Gather leaves from the forest to create art pieces celebrating the colors of fall.			
	Age level: All ages	Leader: Heather Gallagher			
"Go With The Flow" with	Saturday, October 25,	Experience the underwater ecosystem of Henry Creek			
Harpeth Conservancy	2025 10 a.mnoon	with guidance from a Nature Center Naturalist AND the Harpeth River Conservancy. Leading into the Halloween			
	Age level: All ages	Holiday, we will discover what critters and creepy-			
		crawly's we can find in the creek, along with different			
HARPE	TH	facts about the water itself. Meet at Creekside			
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November		
Nuts to You	Saturday, November 1 1-2 p.m. Age level: All ages	The fruits of the forest abound! Let's search for hickory nuts, acorns, berries and more! Leader: Heather Gallagher
Full Beaver Moon Hike	Wednesday, November 5 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 8 and up	Hike the original Ridgetop Trail out and back under the Beaver Moon. Dress warm and meet at Highland Trailhead. Leader: Zach Knight
Proctor Barn Cleanup	Saturday, November 8 9 a.m1 p.m. Age level: Adults, 13 and up	Join Friends of Beaman Park to clean up old dump sites at Beaman's Proctor Farm property. Let's restore our environment and promote responsible land management together. Make a difference for a cleaner, greener future! Leaders: Isaiah Francescon, Zach Knight and Friends of Beaman Park
Beaman Park Nat		ed in observance of Veteran's Day
FeederWatch with Us	on Tuesday, Nov Saturday, November 15 Noon-1 p.m. Age level: Adults, 13 and up; families welcome!	Beaman Park has observed over 25 species of feeder birds over the 5 years that we have conducted Cornell's Project FeederWatch. Learn more about this international project as well as how you can participate in our research!
Sapling Exchange	Saturday, November 15 2-4 p.m. Age Level: All ages	Leader: Nature Center Staff Exchange your house plants or propagations that are taking over your plant room. We will have tables set up on at the nature center for people to bring a few of their house plants to exchange with other plant enthusiasts. Please feel free to bring any plants that you would like to trade with other plant lovers; no more than 5 plants per person. Leader: Isaiah Francescon
The WHOLE Laurel Woods Trail	Saturday, November 22 8 a.m. Age level: Adults, 16 and up	Hike the 12.5-mile loop with nature center staff. Please bring appropriate hiking shoes, water packs/and or water bottles. Don't forget weather appropriate clothes and shoes as we will be crossing creeks! *Participants will be vetted before the hike.* Leaders: Zach Knight and Isaiah Francescon
Early Winter Bird Hike	Saturday, November 22 9 a.m. (app 2 hours) Age level: All ages	Observe and learn about the species which come from the north to make Tennessee their winter home. Meet at the Creekside trailhead at 9 a.m. Leader: Barbara Harris, Tennessee Ornithological Society

Beaman Park Nature Center will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday
November 27 through November 29.

Unless otherwise listed, programs meet at Beaman Park Nature Center, located at 5911 OHB. Some programs may meet at the Highland or Creekside Trailheads at 4111 Little Marrowbone Road. Call the Nature Center for more details.