

# August 2014 Program Schedule



We continue our summer of INSECTS this month with a very special workshop led by local dragonfly expert Richard Connors on Saturday, August 2. Join us to search for spiders by night and by day on August 8th & 9th. Other August highlights include an increase in hummingbirds at our feeders as fall

migration picks up, and the organic garden will be at its peak of productivity! The nature center now has WiFi, so you can stay “connected” while connecting to nature during your visit. As kids go back to school, nature center staff will be gearing up for fall, and we are looking for volunteers to help feed the birds, lead field trips, read stories, greet visitors, and much, much more! Call or email us for more information about how to volunteer.

Warner Park Nature Center is open Tues-Sat., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Percy and Edwin Warner Parks are open 7 days a week, from sunrise to 11 p.m.

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**Friends of Warner Parks:** 615-370-8053

[www.friendsofwarnerparks.com](http://www.friendsofwarnerparks.com)

**Call 615-352-6299 to register for programs.**

## Summer Storywalk®



Ongoing throughout August

Age Level: All ages  
Trail open every day, sunrise- 11 p.m.  
Registration not required

Discover our Summer Storywalk® book on the Little Acorn Trail! Enjoy our displayed book, revealed page by page, as you walk this short trail. This is an “on your own” activity that has quickly become a family favorite around the park!  
Coordinator: Rachel Koch

## Summer Salsa Creations



Friday, August 1  
5:30-7 p.m.

Age level: All ages  
Registration opens July 18

What’s better than fresh salsa on a hot summer evening? Starting with fresh tomatoes from our garden or yours, let’s create and eat wonderful salsa together!  
Leaders: Vera Vollbrecht and Melissa Donahue

## Dazzling Dragons: The Not-So-Hidden World of Dragonflies & Damselflies

Saturday, August 2  
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Age level: Adults  
\$25 participation fee  
Call to register



Did you know that there are over 150 kinds of Odonates in Tennessee? Odonata is the scientific name for the group of insects that includes dragonflies and damselflies. They live most of their life cycle as aquatic insects, so the adults are usually found around water. The “Odes” come in all sizes, are aggressive predators to other insects, and can be beautiful and fascinating to watch, study and photograph. This workshop will include classroom time with an introduction the many varieties of Odes to be found in our area, with discussion of where and when to find them, and will include tips on how to photograph them and an outdoor field session where we will be looking for and hopefully photographing some!  
Leader: Richard Connors

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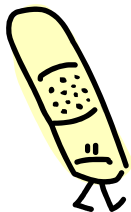
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**Canine First Aid and Triage**



Thursday,  
August 7  
6:30 p.m.

Age level: Adults  
Call to register



Attention dog owners! Learn to manage the most common injuries your dog might suffer while hiking and visiting the park. This basic course of canine first aid and triage will provide the knowledge and materials to manage the initial stages of injuries and help owner determine whether or not their pet will need emergency treatment by a veterinarian and how to help until they reach the veterinary hospital.

Leader: Dr. Chad Given, DVM, Hillsboro Animal Hospital

**Full Moon Pickin' Party**

Friday,  
August 8  
7-11 p.m.

Age level: All ages  
Tickets may be purchased through [NowPlayingNashville.com](http://NowPlayingNashville.com)

Join musicians and music lovers for an evening of bluegrass, delicious food and drink, and FUN for the entire family! All proceeds help protect and preserve the Warner Parks. Leaders: Paul Fowler and Patrice Nelson

**Searching for Spiders at Night**

Friday,  
August 8  
8-9 p.m.



Age level: All ages  
Registration opens July 24

Discover spiders around the Nature Center: explore the forest, pond, yard, and buildings of the Nature Center campus while learning about these amazing arachnids.

Leader: Heather Gallagher

**Searching for Spiders in the Daytime**

Saturday,  
August 9  
10-11:30 a.m.

Age level: All ages  
Registration opens July 24

What has 8 legs, no antennae, and spinnerets for making web? Spiders! We will look for writing spiders in the garden, long-jawed orb weavers and fishing spiders in the pond, and purse-web spiders on the road. Crafts and more will round out our spider spectacle!

Leader: Heather Gallagher



**Vultures: Our Scavenging Raptors**

Saturday,  
August 16  
10 a.m.-noon

Age level: All ages  
Registration opens August 1



They're big. They're social. They are our winged clean-up crew! If you've ever wondered how a vulture can eat road-kill and live, this is the program for you! Join us at our vulture feeding station to get an up-close look at these fascinating raptors and learn some amazing facts about these often misunderstood birds.

Leader: Rachel Anderson

**Organic Gardening 101**



Saturday,  
August 23  
9-11 a.m.

Age level: Adults  
Call to register



The organic garden is at its peak this month! Visit the garden and more during this informative program where you'll learn the basics of how to start and successfully grow your own garden at home.

Leader: Deb Beazley

**Splash the Trash**

Saturday,  
August 23  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Age level: Adults  
Call to register

The dog days of summer are here! Beat the heat, get wet and have fun by volunteering to help pick up trash all along the banks and waterway of the Little Harpeth River.

Leader: Paul Fowler

**Storytime at the Nature Center**

Friday,  
August 29  
10:30-11 a.m.

Age level: Pre-K  
Registration opens August 14

Join us for nature story time under the giant beech tree!  
Leader: Nature Center Staff and Volunteers

**Hummingbird Celebration!**

Saturday,  
August 30  
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Age level: All ages  
Call to register

The migration of Ruby-throated Hummingbirds is nearing its peak and it's time to celebrate these amazing feathered friends! Join us for banding demonstrations, games, scavenger hunts, crafts and fun for all as we celebrate Nashville's smallest birds. Coordinator: Heather Gallagher



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