

Durant Nature Preserve

Upcoming Programs 2018

March

The Wiggles

Tuesday, March 13. 10-11AM. Age: 3-5yrs. \$4. #215896

Wiggly worms are not only fun to observe but they are great for the soil! In this hands-on program, your child will get to examine some worms up close to learn about their body parts and why these wiggly little invertebrates are so important for plant growth. Each child will decorate a pot and plant a pretty flower in soil the worms have prepared especially for this occasion! Advance registration is required for this program. Adults must accompany children, adults attend free.

Wise Walkers

Thursday, March 15. 10-11AM. Age: 18yrs and up. Free. #215897

Enjoy the beauty of nature in the company of friends on this easy paced guided nature walk. A staff member will walk with you to point out interesting natural phenomenon along the path. Advance registration is required for this program.

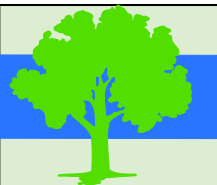
Frog Song Campfire and Marshmallow Roast

Friday, March 23. 7:15-8:15PM. Age: 6yrs and up. \$2. #215899

Gather 'round the campfire as we listen to the songs of spring. We'll learn about the frogs that make Durant Nature Preserve their home as we roast a marshmallow around the campfire circle. Advance registration is required for this program. Adults must accompany children. Adults and children must register and pay the program fee.

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Animal Survivors

Saturday, March 24. 1-4PM. Age: 6yrs and up. \$6. #215900

Squirrels hide nuts, birds migrate and box turtles burrow but what would you do to survive winter in the woods? Join us as we learn some outdoor survival skills like building an emergency shelter, fire-starting techniques and finding your way in the woods. We'll celebrate our survival success by roasting marshmallows over the fire. Advance registration is required for this program. Adults must accompany children. Adults and children must register and pay the program fee.

Wee Walker Egg Hunt

Thursday, March 29. 10-11AM. Age: 1-5yrs. \$2. #215902

Join an egg hunt just for our Wee Walkers! Have your little one bring a basket to find the hidden eggs and the surprises that are inside. After the hunt, we'll have spring-inspired activity stations in the field for your Wee Walkers to enjoy! Preregistration is required at least four days in advance. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Adults attend free.

Spring Has Sprung Wild Flower Walk

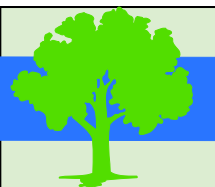
Saturday, March 31. 10-11:30AM. Age: 16yrs and up. Free. #215903

Let's go hiking to see what's up and blooming in the park! Bloodroots, spring beauties ... who knows? This adult-oriented walk meets at the north entrance of the Durant Nature Preserve Office. Advance registration is required.

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Wee Walkers

Thursday, April 5. 10-11AM. Age: Up to 5yrs. Free. #215893

Would you and your toddler like some company for your walks? Join others on an easy-paced hike around the park. This is a great opportunity for adults and little ones to meet each other and explore what's happening in nature. Advance registration is not required but is helpful for planning purposes. Adults must accompany children.

Outdoor Cooking

Saturday, April 7. 12-2PM. Age: 16yrs and up. \$8. #215904

Spend a relaxing afternoon around a campfire learning new recipes and cooking techniques that can be done over a fire. Bring a chair and your appetite for this unique and informative program that is sure to inspire you to use these fun outdoor cooking methods at your next campout! Advance registration is required.

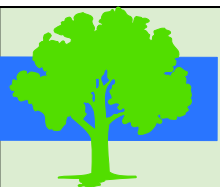
Nature and Sensory Play Day – Spring

Friday, April 13. 10AM-12PM. Age: All ages. Free. #215907

Check out Durant's Sensory and Nature Play Garden! Self-guided activities delight the senses and encourage nature play. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Walk-in registration is on a firstcome, first-served basis. If the garden is full when you arrive, staff will be happy to point out other areas of interest to visit until a spot opens up.

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Story and a Craft: Fawns

Tuesday, April 17. 10-11AM. Age: 3-5yrs. \$2. #215908

Spring is upon us, and fawns will soon be born. We'll read a story about a fawn in the woods and then go on a hike to look for signs of spring. After the hike, we'll make a fawn craft to take home. Advance registration is required. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Adults attend free.

Wise Walkers

Thursday, April 19. 10-11AM. Age: 18yrs and up. Free. #215898

Enjoy the beauty of nature in the company of friends on this easy paced guided nature walk. A staff member will walk with you to point out interesting natural phenomenon along the path. Advance registration is required for this program.

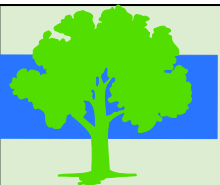
Toad Abodes

Saturday, April 21. 2:00-3:30PM. Age: 5yrs and up. \$6. #215909

Can a toad give you warts? What does a toad sound like? What kinds of toads live in our area and how can we identify them? Find out the answers to these questions and lots more as we search for toads in the preserve. Each participant will make a lovely toad abode to take home to attract toads to their backyard! Advance registration is required. Adults must accompany children. Adults and children must register and pay the program fee.

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Earth Day Hike

Sunday, April 22. 2-3:30PM. Age: 5yrs and up. Free. #215910

Join us on Earth Day for an easy-paced nature hike through the woods. We will walk for about a mile and a half, stopping occasionally to point out interesting things along the trail. Advance registration is required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

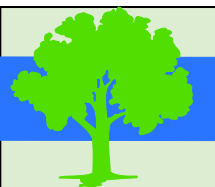
Environmental Education / Continuing Ed – Advanced WILD: Herps

Thursday, April 26. 10AM-4PM. Age: 16yrs and up. Free. #215912

This workshop will include classroom and field work to learn identification techniques, natural history, habitat requirements and human interactions with reptiles and amphibians. It will qualify for five hours of Component II of the N.C. Environmental Education Certification credit, and schoolteachers may receive CEU credit. Advance registration is required.

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Environmental Education / Continuing Ed – Spring Bird ID

Friday, April 27. 8AM-12PM. Age: 16yrs and up. Free. #215913

Practice your bird identification skills by joining State Park Ranger Education and Interpretation Specialist Brian Bockhahn for a bird identification workshop at beautiful Durant Nature Preserve. After a brief introduction on bird biology and identification tips, we'll spend the majority of our time in the field listening and looking for our spring migratory birds. Please bring binoculars if you have them. This workshop will count toward criteria II requirements of the N.C. Environmental Education Certification program. Advance registration is required.

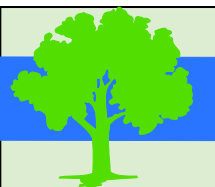
Environmental Education / Continuing Ed – NestWatch

Friday, April 27. 1-2PM. Age: 16yrs and up. Free. #215915

We'll collect data from our bluebird boxes for NestWatch, investigate the different species of birds that use our nest boxes and see nests and eggs up close. We'll send you home with all the information you need to start collecting data. This program will count toward criteria II requirements of the N.C. Environmental Education Certification program. Advance registration is required.

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