

Durant Nature Preserve

Upcoming Programs 2017

April

Wee Walkers

Thursday, April 6, 10-11am. Ages up to 5 yrs. Free. #200088

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.

Citizen Science – NestWatch

Saturday, April 8, 2-3pm. Ages 5yrs. and up. \$1. #200157

Become a scientist for a day with us at Durant. We'll collect data from our bluebird boxes for the citizen science project NestWatch. Investigate the different species of birds that use our nest boxes and see different nests and eggs up close! We'll send you home with all the information you need to start collecting NestWatch data in your own backyard. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Pre-registration is required at least four days in advance.

Durant Family Campout

Friday, April 21, to Saturday, April 22, 6pm-11am. Age: 6yrs. and up.

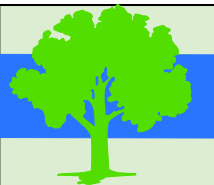
\$20 for adults, \$15 for youth. #200161

Families gather for an overnight experience complete with a naturalist-led night hike, a light Dutch oven dinner, s'mores for the kids, breakfast and time for fishing and boating in the morning. Your gear will be hauled by vehicle to the primitive, lakeside campsite that we will call home for the night! Class fee: Adults, \$20 each; youth, \$15. Pre-registration is required at least four days prior to the program.

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May

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Thursday, May 4, 10-11am. Ages up to 5 yrs. Free. #205317

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Sample Durant

Saturday, May 6, 10am-2pm. All Ages. Free. #200185

Catch it all in one day: critter stop, bird watching, crafts, nature scavenger hunt, dip-netting, canoeing and fishing! Look for the registration table at the preserve's north entrance next to the office. Although pre-registration is not necessary, it is helpful so that we can prepare for your visit.

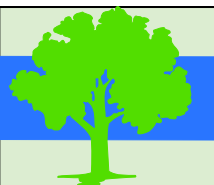
Storybook Summer: Owls

Tuesday, May 9, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206438

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Nature and Sensory Play Day

Friday, May 12, 10am-12pm. All Ages. Free. #205363

Come check out Durant's Sensory and Nature Play Garden! Preserve staff will have guided activities to delight the senses and encourage nature play. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Although registration is not necessary, it is helpful so that we can prepare for your visit.

Dip and Discover

Saturday May 27, 2-3pm. Ages 4 yrs. and up. \$1 per person. #206464

Join us for this fun, hands-on program designed to find out what critters are lurking in the pond. We'll use dip nets to look for tadpoles, frogs, dragonflies, salamanders and much more! Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Pre-registration is required at least four days in advance.

Storybook Summer: Fawns

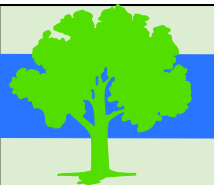
Tuesday, May 30, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206439

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June

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Thursday, June 1, 10-11am. Ages Up to 5 yrs. Free. #205319

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Nature and Sensory Play Day

Friday, June 9, 10am-12pm. All Ages. Free. #205441

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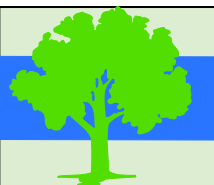
Fun with Fireflies

Friday, June 9, 8-9pm. Ages 5 yrs. and up. \$2. #206465

You know it's summer when the fireflies are lighting up the night sky. Come spend a lovely summer evening learning all about these fun, flying, flashing insects. Participants will make a firefly catcher and spend time catching fireflies for closer inspection. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

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Boats Afloat

Sunday Jun 11, 3-4:30pm. Ages 5 yrs. and up. \$5. #206466

Take a hike with us to look for natural materials that we will use to build homemade model boats. When our boats are complete, we'll have fun testing them out in our creek! Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

Storybook Summer: Salamanders

Tuesday, June 13, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206440

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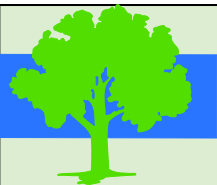
Nature's Architects

Saturday, June 17, 2-4pm. Ages 5 yrs. and up. \$5. #206467

Ever wonder how spiders spin such beautiful webs, how birds are able to weave their delicate nests and how beavers can build such fancy lodges? Learn fascinating facts about some of nature's finest architects as we search for examples of their handiwork here in the Preserve. Afterwards, families will join teams to build the best beaver dam and then put them to the test. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

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Nature Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, June 18, 1-2pm. Ages 4 yrs. and up. \$1. #206471

Enjoy quality time with your family in our scavenger hunt. This activity will get you out exploring the Preserve together plus learning a thing or two about nature! Have fun seeing if you can uncover the nature-themed treasures we have hidden for you to find. Make an afternoon of it and bring a picnic lunch to enjoy before or after the hunt! Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

Durant Family Campout

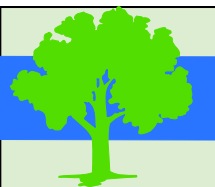
Friday, June 23, to Saturday, June 24, 6pm-11pm. Ages 6 yrs. and up.

Adults: \$20 Youth: \$15. #206472

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Storybook Summer: Squirrels

Tuesday, June 27, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206441

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July

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Thursday, July 6, 10-11am. Ages up to 5 yrs. Free. #205320

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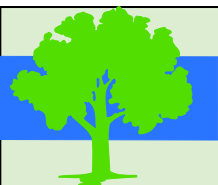
Fishing 101

Sunday, July 9, 3:00-4:30pm. Ages 5 yrs. and up. \$2. #206615

What better way to spend a summer afternoon than fishing? Join us for a quick lesson before we send you out to catch the big one. Fishing poles and bait will be provided. children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

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Storybook Summer: Frogs

Tuesday, July 11, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206442

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Nature and Sensory Play Day

Friday, July 14, 10am-12pm. All Ages. Free. #205442

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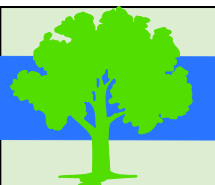
Stream Stomp

Saturday, July 22, 2-3:30pm. Ages 5 yrs. and up. \$1. #206619

Spend an afternoon exploring what lives in the creek. We'll walk along the stream, turning over rocks to catch minnows and other stream creatures. Please wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes and be prepared to get wet! Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

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Storybook Summer: Birds

Tuesday, July 25, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206443

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August

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Thursday, Aug 3, 10-11am. Ages up to 5 yrs. Free. #205322

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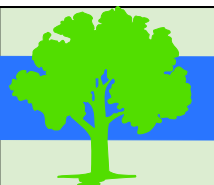
Durant Family Paddle

Friday, August 4, 6-8pm. Ages 6 yrs. and up. \$5. #206616

You are invited to get on the water on Durant's lower lake! We'll take you on a floating tour to learn about the animals that call the lake home. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

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Storybook Summer: Butterflies

Tuesday, August 8, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206444

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Nature and Sensory Play Day

Friday, August 11, 10am-12pm. All Ages. Free. #205445

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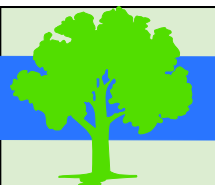
Night Shift

Saturday, August 12, 8-9:30pm. Ages 6 yrs. and up. \$3. #206617

A whole new world comes alive when the sun goes down. See what animals are active at night as we go in search of owls, bats, fireflies, deer and more! Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Preregistration is required at least four days in advance.

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Citizen Science—Monarch Butterflies

Sunday, August 20, 4-5pm. Ages 5 yrs. and up. \$1. #206622

We'll collect data from our milkweed plants to send to the Monarch Larva Monitoring Project. Scientists will use this data to study and understand monarch butterflies. In addition to monarch larva, we'll see what other caterpillars call the preserve home. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult.

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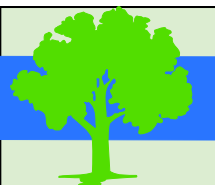
Storybook Summer: Raccoons

Tuesday, August 29, 10-11am. Ages 2-6 yrs. \$1. #206445

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