







EAGLE CREEK PARK 2017

Programs located at:
Earth Discovery Center
Ornithology Center
 Other (location)



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Earth Discovery Center (EDC) 317-327-7148 Ornithology Center (OC) 317-327-BIRD (2473) Open Monday-Saturday 9-5, Sunday 1-5 56th St. Admin. Office 317-327-7110 Open Monday-Friday 9-5		 <p>Fall migration usually begins in mid to late September in Indiana. Many factors including light, temperature, and food affect when animals migrate. They use these clues to determine when the time is right to move from their breeding range to their wintering range.</p>			1	2
					4pm Migration Game	1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
3	4 Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9
9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	EDC/OC/Office CLOSED Park Grounds OPEN		8:30am Volunteer Coffee Talk 2pm Conservation Stories-Vultures	9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir-Hands Can	4pm Migration Game 7pm Full Moon Paddle [§] (Marina)	9 9-5 ION Turn in (EDC) 8am Super Run 5K (Beach) 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding 7pm Full Moon Paddle [§] (Marina)
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1-5pm ION Turn in (EDC) 9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor			5:30pm Sunset Paddle [§] (Marina)	9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir-Becoming Butterflies 10:30am Little Ducklings -Fall Migration[§]	 4pm Migration Game 6:30pm BEEch Party![§] (Beach Shelter)	8:30am Hike Series[§] 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 1:30pm Nature Art Workshop[§] 2:30pm Meet a Raptor			2pm Conservation Stories-Cranes	9:30am Story Time on the Reservoir-Goodbye Summer, Hello Autumn	First Day of Fall 4pm Migration Game 7pm Friday Night Hoots[§]	8:30am Hike Series[§] 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
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Images of Nature Art Show, September 23-October 1 at the Earth Discovery Center						

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Recurring Programs

Saturdays:

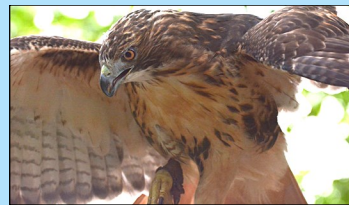
Nature Discovery Class, 1:30pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Stop by on Saturdays for a fun nature activity! Possible activities include: nature hikes, pond life, simple crafts, and more! Free with park admission.

Raptor Feeding Time, 2:30pm at the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist at the Ornithology Center to watch us feed one or more of our live birds of prey. Feeding only takes a few minutes so don't be late!

Sundays:

Sunday Morning Birdwalk, 9am-11am at the Ornithology Center. Join a group of new and experienced birders for a brisk morning bird walk! Meets every Sunday morning, rain or shine. The walk is not geared specifically toward children, but they are welcome to attend.

Feeding Time, 1:30-2pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Watch as our educational reptiles, amphibians and other critters enjoy their lunch! Free with park admission.



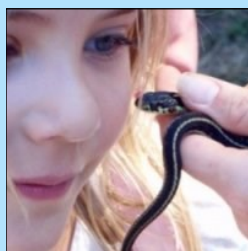
Meet A Raptor, 2:30-3pm at the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist to discover the world of raptors! You will meet one (or more!) of our special live birds of prey and learn about what makes them raptors.

Fridays/Saturdays:

Great Migration Challenge Fridays at 4pm & Saturdays at 1pm at the Ornithology Center. Designed for ages 6-12, our obstacle course teaches children about migratory birds and the hazards that they face. Join us for this outdoor adventure time. Free with park admission.

Thursdays:

Story Time on the Reservoir, 9:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. After reading a nature-themed story, participants will visit stations at their own pace. Stations will vary but may include puppets, coloring pages, artifacts with a naturalist, or additional books. Program best suited for preschool and kindergarten, but early elementary students are welcome to join. Free with park admission.



September Programs

To register for programs go to www.indyparks.org and enter the 5 digit course #. Free programs do not require registration.

Sep 4 (Mon) Labor Day, Park Office, Earth Discovery Center, Ornithology Center CLOSED. Park grounds open dawn-dusk, restroom available at the marina.

Sep 6 & 20 (Weds) Conservation Stories, 2-3pm at the Ornithology Center. Join us to hear some of the most tragic, yet inspiring bird conservation stories in North America. The program could include books, movies, crafts, or lessons. September 5th-Vultures; 19th-Cranes.

Sep 6 (Wed) Volunteer Coffee Talk, 8:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. Join us the first Wednesday of every month for an environmental presentation. A great chance to meet park volunteers and learn more about volunteer opportunities. Everyone is welcome!

Sep 8 & 9 (Fri & Sat) Guided Full Moon Paddle, 7pm at the Marina. While the sun goes down, you'll receive paddling instructions and safety guidelines. As you paddle back to shore, try to catch a glimpse of the full moon. Register at: eaglecreek-outfitters.com/guided-paddle-programs.html

Sep 13 & 27 (Wed) Guided Sunset Paddle, 5:30pm at the Marina. Our knowledgeable & experienced guide will lead you on a leisurely, informative guided paddle. Register at: eaglecreek-outfitters.com/guided-paddle-programs.html

Sep 14 (Thurs) Little Ducklings, 10:30-11:30am at the Ornithology Center. A new topic will be introduced each class through hands-on activities, hikes, stories, and take-home ideas for continuing exploration at home. Sign up for a single class or multiple! Sept: Fall Migration. Ages 3-5 with adult, \$5/child (#13211), \$20/package of 4 (#13210).

Sep 15 (Fri) BEEch Party! 6:30-8pm at the Beach Shelter. Join beekeepers, KIB, and park staff for this is a brand new, adults only event. We will celebrate bees and their important job of pollination through a catered dinner at Eagle Creek Beach! Ages 18+, \$45/person, #13217.

Sep 16, 23, & 30 (Sat) Hike Series, Get outside this fall and explore new trails! Join a naturalist each Saturday, Sept 16th-Oct 28th, for an early morning hike, with binoculars of course. Perfect for the entire family! Children under 10 free, under 18 must be accompanied by a paying adult. \$3/person (#13302); series \$21/person (#13272).

Sep 17 (Sun) Nature Art Workshop, 1:30pm at the Ornithology Center. Get in touch with your crafty side! Create unique nature-themed decoupage and collage art in this hands-on workshop! All materials provided. Ages 9+, children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. \$7/person (#13266), \$21/package (#13264).

Sep 22 (Fri) Friday Night Hoots, 7-8:30pm at the Ornithology Center. See live owls up close and take a night hike to discover the owls of Eagle Creek Park! Children under 18 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Bring a flashlight! \$8/person; \$2 discount/person for 3 or more registrants - call 317-327-2473 to register with the discount. All ages, #13209.

Sep 23-Oct 1: Images of Nature Art Show, Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 1-5pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Don't miss this popular photography show, sponsored by the Eagle Creek Park Foundation and presented by the Riviera Camera Club! Enjoy nature's beauty, captured on camera. All photographs contain natural settings, plants/animals, with no artificial structures. Free with park admission.

Did You Know?

- When settlers arrived in Indiana a couple hundred years ago, White-tailed Deer were everywhere. Habitat destruction and over-hunting wiped them out of the state. They were reintroduced in the 1930s.
- Peregrine Falcons disappeared from Indiana in the early 1900s. Their comeback started in 1991 when the DNR released 15 young peregrine falcons in Indianapolis.
- Over-hunting and habitat destruction led to the end of Wild Turkeys in Indiana by the late 1800s. The birds were reintroduced in the 1950s and have rebounded to where they are now found in almost every county.
- After missing from the state for almost a century, River Otters were reintroduced around 20 years ago.



A total of 303 individuals were released at a variety of watershed areas around Indiana over a five-year period.

