



Holliday Park Happenings

Summer 2010 Program Guide

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Welcome to Holliday Park

One of Indianapolis' oldest parks, Holliday Park is among the most environmentally diverse, yet accessible, tracts of land within Marion County. The park is located along the banks of the White River and has 95 acres of woodland and over three miles of trails. As a major urban resource, it features an arboretum, prairie, ornamental and native gardens, playground, rock garden, picnic area and nature center.

Program Registration Information

General program registration begins Friday, May 7, 2010. Register by calling 327-7180 or visit www.indyparks.org. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Fees are due upon registration. We accept cash, check (payable to Indy Parks), Visa or MasterCard.

Environmental Education Field Trips

In addition to the public programs in this Program Guide, Holliday Park offers programs that explore a wide variety of natural topics for schools, Scouts, and other groups. Environmental EdVentures is a series of grade specific, academic standards-based programs developed to provide hands-on experiences for students. In addition, we are able to provide custom programs related to almost any natural or cultural history topic, Scout badge requirements, etc. For more information, call 327-7180 or visit www.hollidaypark.org and click on field trips.

Holliday Park Hours:

Dawn to Dusk

Nature Center Hours:

Monday-Saturday 9 am- 5 pm

Sunday 1-5 pm

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Adult Programs

Indiana Daylily-Iris Society

IDIS is dedicated to the promotion of daylilies and iris and presents exciting programs, shows and sales that are open to the public. Visit www.indianadaylilyirissociety.org.

Public Programs: Tuesdays, Jun. 1, & Aug. 3, 7-9 pm

Daylily Show: Saturday, Jul. 10, 1-4 pm

Iris Sale: Saturday, Jul. 24, 10 am-4 pm, & Sunday, Jul. 25, 12-4 pm

Daylily Sale: Saturday, Aug. 21, 10 am-4 pm, & Sunday, Aug. 22, 12-4

Labor and Learn Garden Workshops

Join a team of dedicated volunteers and skilled horticulturist Chris Turner as they work to maintain and improve the gardens of Holliday Park. In each two-hour session, Chris will spend 30 minutes addressing a different garden topic. The remainder of the time will be spent working in the gardens. Refreshments and tools provided, rain or shine.

Fridays: Jun. 4 & 18, Jul. 2, 16, & 30, Aug. 13 & 27

9-11 am

Free! No registration required!



Adult Programs

Volunteer Naturalist Training

If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity and enjoy sharing your love of the outdoors with others, then this is the place for you. Our volunteer naturalist program is designed to prepare volunteers who are interested in helping lead groups of children during our Environmental EdVenture field trips. Each monthly program focuses on natural history, teaching techniques and ways to inspire children in nature.

Wednesdays: Jun. 9, Jul. 14, Aug. 11

9:30-10:30 am

Free! No registration required!

Holliday Park Garden Work Days

The diverse landscaping and gardens of Holliday Park provide visitors beauty no matter what the season. Here's your chance to become a steward of these beautiful grounds. Whether you are looking to fulfill Master Gardener requirements, or just want to give something back to the park, everyone is welcome. Tools and refreshments are provided.

Wednesdays: Jun. 9 & 23, Jul. 7 & 21, Aug. 4

Saturdays: Jun. 19, Jul. 17 & 31, Aug. 14

9:30-11:30 am

Free! No registration required!

Natural History Book Club

Bookstores have natural history books galore with authors from Rachel Carson to Aldo Leopold. This monthly program offers a chance to learn about nature through the words of nature writers.

Fridays: Jun. 11: *The Eternal Frontier* by Tim Flannery; Jul. 9: *Summer World*, by Bernd Heinrich, Aug. 13: *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*, by Annie Dillard

10-11:30 am

Free! No registration required

Adult Programs

Indianapolis Hosta Society

Organized in 1886, the Indianapolis Hosta Society is affiliated with the Great Lakes Region of the National Hosta Society. Our members are hosta gardening enthusiasts who gather regularly to learn more about shade gardening, to work together on club and community projects, and share our gardening experiences with each other and the public.

Saturday, Jun. 12

2-4 pm

Free! No registration required!

Make a Hiking Stick

Hiking sticks make walking and hiking more fun. Even better, they help you keep your balance while going up or down steep hills. Join a Holliday Park Naturalist to craft your own custom hiking stick. All materials will be provided.

Sunday, Jun. 20

2-3:30 pm

\$5/person, registration required

Fly Fishing for Beginners

Have you always wanted to learn how to fly fish, but don't know where to start? Join members of Reel Women-Reel Men Fly Fishing Club of Indianapolis for an exciting day of instruction. We'll spend the morning discussing equipment and gear, knots, fly selection and learning the mechanics of a good cast. After lunch, a short hike will take us to a beautiful stretch of the White River for an afternoon of on-river practice. All equipment is provided. Participants should bring a lunch and are required to have a valid Indiana Fishing License.

Saturday, Jun. 26

9:30 am-4:30 pm

\$20/person, registration required

Adult Programs

Indiana Daffodil Society Program

See the newest styles of daffodils, choose daffodils from a catalog, and learn how to extend your blooming season. Members of IDS will have many varieties of daffodils available for purchase during sales.

Daffodil Sale: Saturday, Jul. 24 & Aug. 21, 11 am-3 pm, and
Sunday, Jul. 25, & Aug. 22, 10 am-3 pm

Public Program: Saturday, Aug. 28, 1-2 pm

Free! No registration required!

Outdoor Adventure: Brown County Overnight

A weekend trip to Brown County couldn't be easier! Your naturalist guides will take care of transportation, meals and lodging. We will leave Saturday morning and enjoy a fun-filled day of guided hikes through the rolling hills of Brown County State Park. After checking into the Abe Martin Lodge, you will be treated to a buffet dinner and relaxing evening. Wake up Sunday with an optional bird hike or leisurely morning stroll before a hearty breakfast and the trip back home. Registration deadline is July 12.

Saturday to Sunday, Aug. 14-15

9 am-1 pm

\$165/person for double occupancy, \$215/single occupancy

Registration required by July 12



Family Programs

Naturalist on the Loose

Join a naturalist as we leave the nature center behind and embark on an exciting adventure! There's no telling what discoveries might be waiting around each bend in the trail. No registration required, just meet your guide under the gazebo at the Holliday Park playground.

Sundays: Jun. 13, Jul. 11, Aug. 8

2-3 pm

Free! No registration required!

Family Friday Nights

Tired of spending Friday night in front of the TV? Come out to Holliday Park to share in an adventure that is fun for the whole family. We will start with time around the campfire and focus on the topic of the evening. Roasting sticks and s'mores will be provided and you are welcome to bring hot dogs and make a meal of it!

Fridays: Jun. 25: Night Sounds; Jul. 16: Dusk Walk; Aug. 27: Nature Stories
6:30-8 pm

\$5/person, registration required

Meet the Nature Center Animals

Get up close and personal with the animals who call the nature center home. We'll learn about what makes each animal unique, as well as how our naturalists keep them happy and healthy.

Sunday, Jul. 18

2-3 pm

\$5/person, registration required

Family Creek Stomping

Holliday Park is home to wetlands, ponds, and seeps teeming with plants and wildlife. Come get down and dirty discovering the unique creatures that love these soggy, wet places. Dress for the weather and wear old shoes and clothes that you don't mind getting muddy!

Sundays: Jul. 6, Aug. 1

2-3 pm

\$5/person, registration required

Arts in the Park

Photography by Teresa Cummings

Visit the nature center and enjoy the ongoing display of beautiful nature subjects by photographer Teresa Cummings.

Daily, May 6 through Jun. 30

Nature center is open Mon.-Sat., 9 am-5 pm; Sun. 1-5 pm

Free! No registration required!

Holliday Park Summer Concert Series

Sponsored by Friends of Holliday Park and Indy Parks.

Thursdays:

Jun. 10: The Tides, Caribbean

Jun. 24: Matt Roush, pop rock

Jul. 8: Circle City Bluegrass Band, bluegrass

Jul. 22: Convergence, jazz

Aug. 5: Living Proof, Motown and R&B

7 pm

Free! No registration required!



Oil Paintings by Katy McMurray

Visit the nature center and enjoy the ongoing display of beautiful nature subjects by painter Katy McMurray.

Daily, Jul. 6 though Aug. 28

Nature center is open Mon.-Sat., 9 am-5 pm; Sun. 1-5 pm

Free! No registration required!

The Friends of Holliday Park

2010 Holliday Park Trail Run

The 10th Annual Holliday Park Trail Run was a complete success. Over 700 people turned out on a beautiful day with perfect course conditions. Additionally, we enjoyed a record number of tot trotters and one-mile racers who delighted the crowd with their competitive spirit. The Trail Run, organized by the Friends of Holliday Park, is a shining example of a successful grassroots effort that has been instrumental in improving the quality of the park. The \$30,000 generated from this year's race will help underwrite summer programs and trail renovation at the park.



HOLLIDAY PARK TRAIL RUN



The Friends of Holliday Park

About the Friends

For more than 20 years, the Friends, a non-profit membership organization, has worked closely with Indy Parks to improve Holliday Park for the entire community. The Friends raised \$5 million needed to construct and endow the Nature Center which opened to the public in 2000. Thanks to members' support, private contributions and fundraising events such as the Trail Run, the Friends built and recently upgraded the state-of-the-art playground, restored the park's historic rock garden and continues to improve the trails.



To join, visit our website, www.hollidaypark.org for a membership application, or complete this abbreviated membership application:

Type of Membership (Please Circle one):

\$35 Individual \$50 Family/Dual \$100 Birch \$250 Maple \$500 Oak

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone (home) _____

Telephone (cell) _____

Email _____

Credit Card Number _____

Exp ____ / ____ Security Code (on back of card) _____

Make checks payable to:

Friends of Holliday Park

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