Hike Swope Park with a Naturalist

2017 Season Schedule

All scheduled hikes are open to the public. There is no fee. Hikes will be canceled in severe weather – call the center (816-513-8960) if you aren't sure. Please dress appropriately for the weather of the day (i.e. raingear, layers of clothing for cold weather, sunscreen and hats for warm weather, insect repellent, closed-toed shoes or boots). We strongly recommend that you carry water with you on the hike.

These hikes are not appropriate for children in strollers; you will step over rocks and logs and traverse hills and valleys. Children may hike or be carried.

This guided hike corresponds with some of the public events at Lakeside Nature Center (i.e. Earth Day on April 22th, Celebrating Urban Birds on May 28th, the Bug Extravaganza on June 17th, Kids, Water, Fish & Bugs (July 22), "What's out at Night" on August 19th, Wilma the Turtle's Birthday Party on September 16th).

The hike begins at 10:00 AM. Please gather inside the main doors of Lakeside Nature Center, 4701 E Gregory Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64132. There the naturalist will meet hikers, outline the plans for the day and then lead the group on the trail. Some hikes do have "early out" opportunities for those that wish to complete their hike before noon. Some trails require a short drive from Lakeside Nature Center to the trailhead.

If you have any questions, please contact the Nature Center (816-513-8960) or e -mail us at folnc@crn.org.

This year, all hikes are on Saturdays.

March 25

April 8

April 22 (Earth Day at Lakeside Nature Center)

May 13

May 20 (Celebrating Urban Birds at LNC)

June 10

June 17 (Bug Extravaganza at the Center)

July 8

July 22 (Kids, Water, Fish & Bugs at the Center)

August 19 (What's Out at Night at LNC)

September 16 (Wilma's Birthday Celebration at LNC)

September 30

October 14 (Magic Wood in the evening at LNC)

October 21