



Holliday Park

Winter/Spring Program Guide 2018



Jan. 1- May 31, 2018

Holliday Park 2018 Spring Programs (*Jan 1-May 31*)

SPECIAL EVENTS & EXHIBITS:

Art Exhibits at Holliday Park

Holliday Park Nature Center hosts quarterly art exhibitions and receptions that are free and open to the public. The art is displayed in the center's main corridors, bird room, and auditorium. View the artwork during nature center hours: Monday - Saturday 9:00-5:00 pm, Sunday 1:00-5:00 pm

Jackie Curt Nature Photography

Jan. 12- Mar. 4

Art Reception Sunday, Jan. 21, 2-4 pm

Children's Art Show

Mar. 10- May 7

Art Reception Sunday, Mar. 11, 1-2 pm

Emily Schwank Photography

May 11-Jul. 8

Art Reception Sunday, May 20, 2-4 pm

Holliday Park Owl Prowl Weekend

Despite the cold owls are very active this season and more likely to be seen. We are devoting this weekend to owl discovery and providing many opportunities for you to learn about these amazing creatures. Sign up for a night hike, drop-in to meet Olive the screech owl, enjoy a free craft, learn to identify birds, or watch a live owl presentation! Some activities require pre-registration and a fee. All ages.

Friday, Jan. 26,

9-5 pm: Owl Craft Time in lobby, *Free! No registration required*

6:30-8:30 pm: Night hike (14996), \$7/person, pre-registration required

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Saturday, Jan. 27:

9-5 pm: Owl Craft Time in lobby, *Free! No registration required*

10-10:30 am & 3-3:30 pm: Meet the Owl, *Free! No registration required*

6:30-8:30 pm: Night hike (14997), \$7/person, pre-registration required

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Sunday, Jan. 28:

8-9 am: Morning Bird Hike, *Free! No registration required*

1-5 pm: Owl Craft Time in lobby, *Free! No registration required*

2-3 pm: Owls of Indiana presented by Eagle Creek Ornithology Center *Free! No registration required*

Sap to Syrup Day

Help us celebrate the magic of maple trees! Stop by anytime between 1-3 pm to visit different maple discovery stations and learn how to make maple syrup. Try a syrup taste test, complete a craft, and enjoy a delicious Sugar Maker's Sundae (trust us, you'll love it!). All Ages.

Saturday, Feb. 24 (14919)

1-3 pm

\$7/person, pre-registration required

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Holliday Park Trail Run

Run a five-mile or walk a three-mile course leading through Holliday Park to Marott Park. Runners encounter hills, rugged trails, and the White River, making it challenging, beautiful, and fun (ages 10+). The event includes a one-mile run for kids (ages 6-12) and a tot-trot (ages 2-5). Event benefits the Friends of Holliday Park. Register at www.tuxbro.com or call (317) 475-9482 for more information.

Saturday Mar. 17, 9:30 am-1:30 pm

Pre-registration required. Registrations fees TBD.

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YOUTH & FAMILY

Free Yoga Day

Start your year off right with a free yoga class! Meet our Registered Yoga Instructor Karen Powell, www.karenpowellyoga.com, and get a preview of the yoga offerings Holliday Park has in store for the spring season. The first ten participants through the door receive a free gift! Beginners welcome. Please bring your own mat or towel.

Saturday, Jan. 6

10-11:15 am

Free. No registration required.

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Beastly Brunch

The animals at the nature center eat some rather disgusting food! Join Beastly Brunch to watch the animals eat crickets, worms, and mice, and even learn about their diets. Meets in the nature center lobby.

Wednesdays: Jan. 10 & 24, Feb. 14 & 28, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, May 16

10:30-11 am

Free! No registration required. Suggested donation of \$2. Proceeds go toward the animals' care.

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Create & Decorate Workshops

Get crafty this spring! Make an animal out of pinecones, a whimsical dreamcatcher, a clay flower pendant, or your own hiking stick. Discover new crafting methods and ideas. All materials are provided during these hands-on workshops.

Sundays: Jan. 14: Pinecone Critters (14983) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9988

Feb. 11: Dream Catchers (14984) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9989

Mar. 25: Hiking Sticks (14985) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9990

Apr. 15: Flower Pendants (14986) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9991

1:30-2:30 pm

\$6/craft, pre-registration required.

Small Wonders

Learn easy ways to engage your preschooler in nature and scientific exploration. Each class introduces a new topic through hands-on activities, hikes, and crafts, and provides ideas for exploring at home. Classes are designed for children and their caregiver. Ages 3-4. Sign up for an individual class, or all five at a discounted price!

Tuesdays: Jan. 16: Owls (14888) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9893

Feb. 20: Raccoons (14889) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9894

Mar. 20: Turtles (14891) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9896

Apr. 17: Pond Animals (14893) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9898

May 15: Spiders (14894) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9899

Package of five (14886) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9891

9:30-10:30 am

\$6/child, \$25/package, pre-registration required.

Hoosier Herpetological Society

The Hoosier Herpetological Society is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the education of its members and the conservation of reptiles and amphibians. All programs are open to the public, families are welcome. Visit www.hoosierherpsoc.org for more information.

Wednesdays: Jan. 17, Feb. 21, Mar. 21, Apr. 18, May 16

7-9 pm

Free! No registration required.

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Family Yoga in the Park

Looking for something different? Try yoga as a family on Sunday mornings with instructor Karen Powell. Studies show children today are more stressed than ever. Yoga's uplifting power and numerous health benefits will help give your family a "leg-up" on this statistic and bring you closer together. Sign up for the whole sessions for a discounted price or simply drop-in when you can. Beginners welcome. Please bring your own yoga mats if you have them. Ages 6+

Sundays: Session 1- Jan. 21- Feb. 25 (15070) **No class Feb. 4*

Session 2- Mar. 4- Apr. 8 (15071) **No class Apr. 1*

Session 3- Apr. 15 –May13 (15072)

10-11 am

Pricing is for families of up to four. \$90/session (5 classes), \$20/drop-in price. Pre-registration required.

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Chinese Nature Series

Explore nature through Chinese culture this spring. Instructors from Indy NiHao Mandarin, indynihaomandarin.com, will be offering a variety of courses at Holiday Park that will introduce participants to China's wildlife, language, and culture. Ages 6-12, parents are welcome to stay and watch.

Saturdays: Feb. 17: Chinese New Year Zodiac Animals (15075),

Mar. 31: Animal Origami (15076),

Apr. 21: Shadow Puppets I (15077)

Apr. 21: Shadow Puppets II (15078) **Meets 3-4pm*

May 12: Calligraphy (15079)

2-3 pm

\$16/child, pre-registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/10080 (Chinese New Year Zodiac Animals)

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/10081 (Animal Origami)

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/10082 (Shadow Puppets I)

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/10083 (Shadow Puppets II)

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/10084 (Calligraphy)

Spring Backyard Bird Count

This annual event uses citizen science to count birds and gain valuable information. Help us add to this important data! Spend time in our bird room or take a self-guided hike through the forest counting the different birds you see. A naturalist will help you identify and record what you see. Take home local birding information. All Ages.

Sunday, Feb. 18

1:30-2:30 pm

Free! No registration required

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Girl Scout Winter Wonder Overnight

Join us for an overnight adventure! Friday starts with dinner around the campfire, then we will meet a live owl, dissect owl pellets, and go for a night hike. On Saturday we eat a pancake breakfast and learn about making maple syrup. Girls earn and receive a Maple Syrup Patch. Dinner and breakfast are provided. Whole troops are welcome. Ages 7-11.

Register through the Girl Scouts of Central IN at www.girlscoutsindiana.org/activities.

Friday- Saturday, Mar. 2-3.

6 pm-9 am

\$25/scout, \$9/chaperone, pre-registration required

Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Presentation

This year marks the 45th anniversary of the Iditarod Sled Dog Race in Alaska. Each year Musher's from around the world and their teams of dogs compete in a long-distance sled dog race over a thousand miles long. Learn all about the history of the sport and grueling conditions that competitors endure on their two-week journey! All Ages.

Saturday, Mar. 3 (15003)

10- 12 pm

Free! No registration required.

White River Clean-up Day

Clean drinking water is a universal concern and demands a global effort. Indianapolis' very own White River provides drinking water to more than half of its citizens. Help take action and do your part to keep the White River clean. Holliday Park will be hosting a river clean-up in celebration of World Water Day. Come roll up your sleeves and join the cause!

Wear old shoes and clothes. Ages 10+

Thursday, Mar. 22

3-5 pm

Free! No registration required.

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Friday Night Campfires

Join us for a fun Friday night around the campfire. Each night includes eating s'mores, exploring a different topic and taking an evening hike. Roasting sticks and s'mores provided, bring your own hot dogs and make a meal of it!

Fridays: Mar. 23: Salamanders (14980), 6-7:30 pm apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9985

Apr. 27: Arbor Day Tree ID (14981), 6-7:30 pm apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9986

May 25: Woodpeckers (14982), 6:30-8 pm apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9987

\$5/person, pre-registration required.

Spring Break Fun Days

Looking for a fun and educational outdoor adventure during spring break? Then these fun days are for you! Participants explore the park, learn new skills, make crafts, play games, and even see animals up-close! Each day focuses on something new. Dress for outdoor exploration. Class meets rain or shine. Sign up for both days for a discount! Ages 6-12.

Monday, Mar. 26: Navigating in Nature (14922) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9927

Tuesday, Mar. 27: Wilderness Survival (14923) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9928

Package of two (14921) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9926

9 am-3 pm

\$24/child, \$40/package, pre-registration required.

Family Creek Stomps

Holliday Park has ponds and creeks teeming with wildlife. Participants will have loads of fun getting wet and muddy exploring the creatures that live in these wet places. A naturalist will help you identify what you find! Nets and collecting tubs provided. Wear old shoes and clothes.

Sundays: Apr. 22- Earth Day (14979) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9984

May 27- Earth Day (14979) apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/10113

1:30-2:30 pm

\$5/person, pre-registration required.

Brownies Bugs Badge

Get buggy at Holliday Park! Girls will learn about the parts of insects, make a craft, and search for insects in different habitats. Discover which insects live under logs, in the prairie, or even in the ponds. Earn a Bugs Badge to take home.

Whole troops are welcome. Register through the Girl Scouts of Central IN at www.girlscoutsindiana.org/activities.

Sunday, May 6 (14905)

1:15 pm-2:15 pm

\$6/scout, \$1/adult, pre-registration required

ADULT

Yoga in the Park

Expand your yoga skills and rejuvenate your spirit surrounded by natural settings at Holliday Park, with Registered Yoga Instructor Karen Powell, www.karenpowellyoga.com. Participants will improve on flexibility and strength, while discovering the spiritual side of yoga, its uplifting power and health benefits. Sign up for whole sessions for a discounted price or simply drop-in when you can. Ages 16 + Beginners welcome. Please bring your own yoga mat.

Thursdays: Session 1- Jan. 18- Feb. 15 (14988)
Session 2- Feb. 22- Mar. 29 (14989) **No class Mar. 15*
Session 3- Apr. 19-May 17 (14990)

6 -7:15pm

\$50/session (5 classes), \$12/drop-in price. Pre-registration required.

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Thoreau & Walden Study Group

Take part in examining the deeper aspects of Henry David Thoreau's works and explore their environmental significance in today's world. Even though they were written decades ago, Thoreau's works provide powerful statements about the environment, society, and the spiritual world that continue to challenge us today. Tom Potter, immediate past-president of the International Thoreau Society, will be guiding our review. Tom regularly lectures around the country on Thoreau's works and message. Ages 18+.

Tuesdays: Jan. 2 & 16, Feb. 6 & 20, Mar. 6 & 20, Apr. 3 & 17

10-11:30 am

Free! No registration required.

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Volunteer Naturalist Training

If you are looking for an environmental volunteer opportunity and enjoy sharing the outdoors with others, then this is the place for you. Monthly trainings prepare volunteers to lead groups of children during school field trips and other environmental programs at the nature center. Visit www.hollidaypark.org/volunteer. Ages 18+.

Wednesdays: Jan. 3: Winter Wildlife
Feb. 7: Weathering & Erosion
Mar. 7: Trail Techniques
Apr. 4: Food Chains
May 2: Native Americans

9:30-11 am

Free! No registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9931

Fall Creek Garden Club

The Fall Creek Garden Club (FCGC) aims to promote the knowledge and love of gardening, and is part of the national network of The Garden Club of America. It was established in 1941 by women living near Fall Creek but now includes members citywide. Club members are skilled in gardening with expertise in native plants, landscape design, invasive plant management, conservation and floral arrangements. Meetings are open to the public. For more information contact the FCGC president at sarazeckel@gmail.com.

Mondays: Jan. 8, Apr. 9, May 14

1-2 pm

Free! No registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9914

Amos Butler Audubon Society

Named after one of Indiana's greatest naturalists, the Amos Butler chapter of the National Audubon Society is an organization that promotes the enjoyment and stewardship of birds in central Indiana. Join ABAS members during their monthly programs and morning bird hikes. Meetings and hikes are open to the public. Beginning birders welcome! For more information, visit www.amosbutleraudubon.org.

Tuesday Presentations: Jan. 9, Feb. 13, Mar. 13, Apr. 10, May 15
7:30-9 pm

Tuesday Morning Bird Hikes:

8:30-10 am, Jan. 16 & Feb. 20.

8-9:30 am, Mar. 20, Apr. 17, May 15

Free! No registration required.

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Natural History Book Club

There are countless nature-related books that present a variety of pressing environmental concerns. This monthly program offers adults a chance to learn about nature and environmental issues through the words of different nature authors.

Fridays: Jan. 12: *A Friend of the Earth* by T.C. Boyle

Feb. 9: *Botany of Desire: A Plant's-Eye View of the World* by Michael Pollan

Mar. 9: *Naturalist* by E.O. Wilson

Apr. 13: *Ring of Bright Water* by Gavin Maxwell

May 11: *The Nature Fix: Why Nature Makes Us Happier, Healthier and More Creative* by Florence Williams

10-11:30 am

Free! No registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9922

Central Indiana Beekeepers Association

The Central Indiana Beekeepers Association (CIBA) strives to communicate and share beekeeping knowledge and trends in Marion and Hamilton counties. Membership and meetings are free and open to anyone, ages 16+. Learn more at www.indyurbanbeekeeping.org.

Tuesday, Jan. 16

Mondays: Feb. 19, Mar. 19, Apr. 16, May 21

6:30-8:30 pm

Free! No registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9911

Central Indiana Wilderness Club

Founded in 1982, Central Indiana Wilderness Club is a nonprofit volunteer-run club organized for the purpose of providing education and affordable wilderness adventures. Meetings are open to the public, ages 16+. Visit www.ciwclub.org for more information.

Public Program: Wednesday, Jan. 25, 6:30-8:30 pm

Beginning Backpacking Class: Saturday, Mar. 24, 9:30-12 pm

Free! No registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9912

Starting a Backyard Wildlife Habitat

Backyard Habitats are a small but effective way citizens can help local wildlife. These native habitats provide food and shelter for animals, while requiring less water and maintenance. This workshop will provide tips on starting and maintaining your own backyard habitat using native plant species. Ages 16+.

Saturday, Mar. 10 (15002)

10- 11:30 am

Free! No registration required

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Indianapolis Hosta Society

Organized in 1886, the Indianapolis Hosta Society is a group of hosta gardening enthusiasts who gather to learn more about shade gardening while sharing their gardening experiences with each other and the public. Meetings, shows and sales are open to the public.

Sunday, Mar. 18, 1:30-3:30pm

Mondays: Apr. 9 & May 14, 6-8 pm

Free! No registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9983

Garden and Grow Workshops

Whether you are looking to fulfill Purdue's Master Gardener requirements or just want to give back to the park, here's your chance to become a steward of these beautiful grounds. Join a team of volunteers who help maintain and improve the gardens of Holliday Park alongside horticulturalists Chris Turner and Kelly Frank. A relevant garden topic is presented on alternating sessions. Refreshments provided.

Fridays: Apr. 6 & 20, May 4 & 18

Saturdays: Apr. 14 & 28, May 12 & 26

9-11 am

Free! No registration required.

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9915

Spring Wildflower Hike

Join Norma Wallman, author of Wildflowers of Holliday Park, for a leisurely spring hike to see what's blooming. Norma began personally documenting wildflowers on walks and has now collected 20 years of data specific to the flowers of Holliday Park. Ages 16+.

Saturday, Apr. 7 (14924)

10-11:30 am

\$7/person, pre-registration required

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9929

Indiana Daffodil Society State Show

Discover daffodils during the Indiana State Daffodil Show at Holliday Park. See hundreds of varieties on display, learn growing techniques, and get the chance to talk to experts. All shows are open to the public.

Friday, Apr. 13: State Show, 3-5 pm

Saturday, Apr. 14: State Show, 9 am-3 pm

Free! No registration required

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9920

McCormick's Creek State Park Eco-Tour

McCormick's Creek State Park houses some of Indiana's most interesting geological features. Join the tour down to Spencer, Indiana to explore these beautiful natural landscapes. Discover Wolf Cave, numerous waterfalls, a historic farmstead, incredible wildlife, and simply enjoy hiking with others. Cost includes transportation, light refreshments, and park entrance fees. Ages 16+.

Saturday, Apr. 21 (14987)

9 am-5:30 pm

\$35/person, pre-registration required

apm.activecommunities.com/indyparks/Activity_Search/9992

Hoosier Riverwatch Basic Training

Volunteer "basic" training introduces citizens and educators to water quality monitoring using habitat, chemical, and biological assessment methods. The sessions are held both inside and outdoors. Any interested adult is welcome to attend, and once certified, may teach students how to monitor water quality. Hoosier Riverwatch is a program of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. Registration is required. Ages 18 +.

Saturday, Apr. 28

9:15 am-4 pm

Register by calling or emailing John Ulmer, 317-769-3500 or watersheds@tds.net

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White River Raft Tour

Explore the White River in Indianapolis on a scenic raft tour with trained naturalists. Learn about the river's natural history, see aquatic wildlife and simply enjoy the ride. We will drop in at the Indianapolis Art Center and travel three miles downstream to Rocky Ripple. Cost includes transportation, use of rafts, and equipment. Ages 16+.

Saturday, May 19 (14927)

9-12 pm

\$25/person, pre-registration required

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Summer 2018

Program Registration starts

May 4th