

Brookside Nature Center
Wheaton Regional Park
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An adult must accompany all children. Programs for “Ages xx – adult” and “All ages” require adult registration.

Register online for programs at parkpass.org. The course number (#####) is next to the title.

July 2010

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2 Animals Everywhere (107709)

Look and listen for signs of birds, bugs and foxes. Enjoy a leisurely walk through the meadow and woodlands. Reservations required.
10:30 - 11:30 am, Ages 3 – 5
Fee: \$4

2 Puppet Show – “Insects”

Six legs, three body parts, an exoskeleton, I'm an insect! Meet lots of different insects and their kin. Reservations required.
Session 1 (107450): 10 – 10:30 am
Session 2 (107453): 1 – 1:30 pm
Ages 1 – 12
Fee: \$2



3 Rachel Carson Conservation Park Hike (107717)

Explore one of our lesser known parks and discover the meadows, woods and pond that make homes for a variety of wildlife and plants. Reservations required.
10:30 - 11:30 am, All ages
Fee: \$4

Meet: 22201 Zion Hill Road, Brookville, MD. Meet in the parking lot by the information kiosk.

6, 21, 28 & 31 - Wheaton Park Walkers

You may not be ready to hike the Appalachian Trail, but you can complete the 11-mile trail network in Wheaton Regional Park! In this series, we'll hike about 3 miles each session in order to cover the entire trail system. Sign up for one hike, or all four! Wear sturdy walking shoes

and be ready to walk at a steady (but not too fast) pace. All but the July 21 walk leave from the nature center.

Reservations required.

Adults

Fee: \$6/session

July 6 (107749) Arcola Trail to Brookside Gardens

7 – 8:30 pm

We will hike wooded natural surface trails (Arcola and Deer Hollow), pass Pine Lake and finish on the one-mile paved Heart Smart Trail in Brookside Gardens.

July 21 (107750) 6:30 – 8 pm

July 28 (107751) 6:30 – 8 pm

July 31 (107752) 9:30 – 11 am

8 Water Bug Wonders (107755)

Did you know that many insects start their lives in the water? We'll catch freshwater critters in the pond and stream and learn about their life cycles. Then we'll examine specimens under microscopes and draw them. Reservations required.

2 – 3:30 pm, Ages 6 – 12

Fee: \$6

11 Scavenger Hunt on your Own (107558)

Pick up a scavenger hunt sheet and search outside for different plants and animals. Return your completed sheet for a prize.
2 – 3:30 pm ongoing, All ages
No reservations required.



13 Nature by Metro (107753)

Explore nature along the Metro line. Look for two, four, six and eight-legged animals as well as those that fly and swim. We'll observe nature from the train and on the ground. Call for meeting location. You will need to purchase your own metro ticket and parking fees. Reservations required.

10 am – 3 pm, All ages

13 Flying Squirrel Campfire (107559)

No, we won't roast the squirrels, but we will watch for these nighttime flyers. Rain cancels program. Fee is per marshmallow stick.
8:15 – 9:15 pm, All ages

Fee: \$1/stick

No reservations required.

14 Wineberry Pick and Pull (107712)

First we'll look for and taste sweet wineberry fruits. Then we'll pull and remove this invasive plant from our park. Bring leather work gloves or borrow ours. Wear long pants. Reservations required.
7 – 8 pm, Ages 8 – adult

17 Fishing at MLK Jr. Pond (107555)

Bring your own rod or borrow one of ours to learn the basics of fishing. We'll supply bait and tackle. Reservations required. 8:30 – 10:30 am, Ages 6 – 10
Fee: \$9

Meet: 1120 Jackson Rd., Silver Spring; turn left just after passing the Boundless Playground on your left. Park and meet in the second parking area on your left.

17 Stream Splash (107503)

Explore the stream with aquatic nets looking for crayfish, salamanders, fish, insects, and more! Wear old shoes or water shoes--no flip-flops or sandals. Reservations required for all; no fee for adults. 2 - 3 pm, All ages
Fee: \$4/child

18 Make It and Take It – Picture Frames (107560)

Easy-to-make crafts that you can take home. Use natural materials to decorate a wooden frame. Drop-in anytime during program hours! Fee is per craft. 2 – 3:30 pm ongoing, All ages
Fee: \$2/craft
No reservation required.

20 Stream Splash (107504)

Explore the stream with aquatic nets looking for crayfish, salamanders, fish, insects, and more! Wear old shoes or water shoes--no flip-flops or sandals. Reservations required for all; no fee for adults. 7 – 8 pm, All ages
Fee: \$4/child

21 Wheaton Park Walkers (107750)

We'll walk through the woods on two paved loop trails. Reservations required. 6:30 – 8 pm, Adults
Fee: \$6
Meet: Parking lot beside the Wheaton Park dog park (Orebaugh Ave. entrance off Arcola Ave.)

24 Fox Family in Summer (107561)

Hike a mile in the woods to see where the foxes and their babies live and play, and find out how baby foxes grow up. Reservations required. 3 – 4 pm, All ages
Fee: \$4

24 Evening Forest and Pond Walk (107699)

Enjoy a walk through the forest and around the ponds looking and listening for summer creatures. Reservations required. 6 – 7 pm, Ages 6 – 12 w/adult



25 Glowing Rocks (107754)

Enjoy our collection of crystals and fluorescent rocks and see how they change when we shine a different light on them. Reservations required. 2 – 2:30 pm, All ages

27 Life in a Tree (107756)

Look up – and look for signs of life in a tree, from nests in the tree-tops to bugs in the bark, to curious creatures that live down under the roots. Find out how trees make homes for many creatures. Reservations required. 7:15 – 8:15 pm, All ages
Fee: \$4

28 Wheaton Park Walkers (107751)

We will hike on two challenging natural surface loop trails with some hilly and rocky terrain - Acorn Woods Trail and the Equestrian Trail. Reservations required. 6:30 – 8 pm, Adults
Fee: \$6

31 Wheaton Park Walkers (107752)

On this walk, we'll see Pine Lake, the train station, playground and Brookside Gardens. Reservations required. 9:30 - 11 am, Adults
Fee: \$6

31 Puppet Rodeo (107562)

Help! The puppets escaped from the theater and are hiding outside. Join the round-up so we can return them safely home. Reservations required. 11:45 am – 12:30 pm, Ages 3 – 6
Fee: \$3

