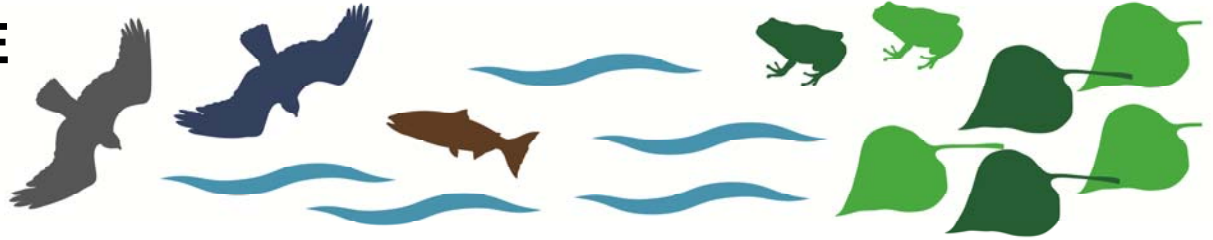




SPRING GUIDE TRAINING SCHEDULE



Circle each training session you plan to attend. Only one session per topic is required. See other side for more details.

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Citizen Science Saturday: Wildflower Wander, 1-3 pm
15	16	17	18 New Volunteer Info Session, 6-7:30 pm @Nearby Nature Yurt	19	20	21
22	23 Spring Break	24	25	26	27	28

APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 Rivers & Rocks 9-11:30 am	2 Trail Teaching Skills @ Eugene Science Center 9-11 am	3 Legs, Claws, Wings, & Paws 9-11:30 am	4 Rivers & Rocks 9:30 am-noon Nature Games & Stories 12:30-3:30 pm
5	6	7 Nature Games & Stories 9 am-noon	8 Trail Teaching Skills @ Eugene Science Center 9-11 am	9 Program Safety 6-8 pm	10 Flowers to Firs 9 am-noon	11 Flowers to Firs 9 am-noon Legs, Claws, Wings, & Paws 12:30-3 pm
12	13 Optional Oregon Birds Walk, 9-11 am	14 Program Safety 6-8 pm	15 Shadow Walk 9 am-noon @ Eugene Science Ctr.	16 Shadow Walk 9 am-noon @ Eugene Science Ctr.	17 Shadow Walk 9 am-noon @ Eugene Science Ctr.	18
19		21 Shadow Walk 9 am-noon @ Eugene Science Ctr. Challenging Behaviors, 6-8 pm	22 Shadow Walk 9 am-noon @ Eugene Science Ctr.	23 Shadow Walk 9 am-noon @ Eugene Science Ctr. Kalapuya Life & Lore, 1-4 pm	24	25 April 26: Bioblitz (nearbynature.org/events) Updated 2-19-20



Nearby Nature Guide Training Spring 2020

Every spring, thanks to Nearby Nature's school walk field trips, local kids spend 3,750+ hours outside exploring and learning in nature. By becoming a volunteer guide, you can be part of this exciting program. Read on for more information about training sessions. See the other side for trainings in a calendar format.

● **New Guide Required Trainings** (marked 🌸): New guides must attend six required training sessions and at least one shadow walk with an experienced guide. Guides who would like to help with Pond Study or Earth Art activities must also observe these activities during an actual program. Some additional trainings are optional. Most trainings are offered twice, for scheduling flexibility.

● **Meeting Places and Directions:** Most trainings are outdoors. Meet at the Waterwise Garden outside the Alton Baker Park Host Residence (PHR) unless otherwise noted. **By Car:** Take Club Road south from MLK Blvd., turn left into the park, drive past the parking lots, and veer left. The PHR is just past the Community Gardens. Park in the garden's gravel lot. **By Bike:** Cross Frohnmyer Footbridge, go toward Autzen Stadium, and turn left before the dog park. The PHR is up the road, on the left.

Spring Volunteer Info Session: Learn about our volunteer programs, meet staff, and check out our Learnscope. Not required, but recommended.
 Wednesday, March 18, 6-7:30 pm, Nearby Nature Yurt in Alton Baker Park

🌸 **Nature Games and Stories (One Required):** Play *Find Your Tree*, take an *Ant Hike*, learn the tale of *Mother Nature's Gift*, and more. Discover how games and stories inspire and enhance learning.
 Saturday, April 4, 12:30-3:30 pm **OR**
 Tuesday, April 7, 9 am-noon

🌸 **Rivers and Rocks: (One Required):** Discover how water has shaped and changed our park over time. Learn some park land use history as well. Play *Poohsticks* and do the *Water Cycle Boogie!*
 Wednesday, April 1, 9-11:30 am **OR**
 Saturday, April 4, 9:30 am-noon

🌸 **Legs, Claws, Wings, and Paws (One Required):** Learn about park wildlife, with an emphasis on birds and bugs. Check out park habitats and learn about critter lifecycles.
 Friday, April 3, 9-11:30 am **OR**
 Saturday, April 11, 12:30-3 pm

🌸 **Flowers to Firs (One Required):** Learn about all things green, from delicate wildflowers to towering firs. Also check out the Learnscope Garden and Outdoor Classroom.
 Friday, April 10, 9 am-noon **OR**
 Saturday, April 11, 9 am-noon

🌸 **Program Safety (One Required):** Learn park safety guidelines and tips for handling challenging behaviors. **Meet at the Nearby Nature Yurt.**
 Thursday, April 9, 6-8 pm **OR**
 Tuesday, April 14, 6-8 pm

🌸 **Trail Teaching Skills (One Required):** Check out our Eugene Science Center meeting place and role play effective teaching techniques on the trail. **Meet outside the Eugene Science Center.**
 Thursday, April 2, 9-11 am **OR**
 Wednesday, April 8, 9-11 am

🌸 **Shadow Nature Walk (One Required):** Tag along with an experienced guide on one of the season's first school nature walks. **MEET AT THE EUGENE SCIENCE CENTER (not the Park Host House). Final dates to be confirmed**
 April 15 (9 am-noon) April 16 (9 am-noon)
 April 17 (9 am-noon) April 21 (9 am-noon)
 April 22 (9 am-noon) April 23 (9 am-noon)

Kalapuya Life & Lore (Optional but recommended): Learn about the Kalapuya people from Elder Esther Stutzman. Also explore the park with an experienced guide and learn how to share your new knowledge. **Meet in Nearby Nature's yurt.**
 Thursday, April 23, 1-4 pm

Optional Citizen Science Saturday: Learn to ID spring wildflowers as you use iNaturalist to document blooms in the Wildflower Hollow.
 Saturday, March 14, 1-3 pm

Optional Oregon Birds Walk: Enjoy a bird-watching walk with veteran birder Rick Ahrens.
 Monday, April 13, 9-11 am

Optional – Observe Pond Study Station or Earth Art (Required to assist with these activities): Observe a trained guide leading an actual program. Learn about group dynamics, practice identifications, create art, and use gear. **Dates available in April.**

Optional – Understanding, Preventing, and Responding to Challenging Behaviors: Learn to use simple neuroscience to respectfully and effectively prevent and respond to challenging behaviors.
 Tuesday, April 21, 6-8 pm

Sign Up at the *Info Session*, info@nearbynature.org, or 541-687-9699. Let us know if you can't attend a training so we can plan make-ups.