SEPTEMBER

FOR FAMILIES: TRAM RIDE
Enjoy a ride through the park as we look for signs of wildlife. All Ages Big Meadow Picnic Area
SEP 1 SUN 2–3PM

FOR FAMILIES: GO CREEKING
Wear your old shoes as we explore the Olentangy River for animals. Ages 3 and older Big Meadow Picnic Area
SEP 2 MON 2–3PM

FOR FAMILIES: EVENING WILDLIFE HIKE
Hike 1-mile as we search for wildlife in the forest and fields. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
SEP 8 WED 7–8PM

FOR FAMILIES: HIKE TO THE GIANTS
Rugged 4-mile off-trail hike to the 300-year old giant sycamores along the Olentangy River. Ages 8 and older Advance registration
SEP 9 THU 10–11AM

PRESCHOOL: BUSY TREE
Learn how animals stay busy in the forest through stories, hike and craft. Ages 3-5 Nature Center
SEP 11 WED 11AM–12PM

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SEP 12 THU 11AM–12PM

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SEP 12 THU 9:30–10:30AM

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SEP 13 FRI 10–11:30AM

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SEP 15 SUN 10–11AM

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SEP 16 MON 10–11AM

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SEP 17 TUE 10–11AM

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SEP 18 WED 10–11AM

PRESCHOOL: BUSY TREE
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SEP 19 THU 10–11AM

STORYTIME: MONARCHS
Learn about the journey of monarch butterflies through stories and song. Ages 2-5 Nature Center
SEP 20 FRI 10–10:30AM

FOR KIDS: NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT
Stop by the nature center and pick up a nature scavenger hunt. Everyone wins a small prize. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
OCT 12 SAT 1–2PM

OFF-TRAIL RAVINE HIKE
Hike 4-miles off-trail through the ravine’s water to learn about the geology and wildlife of Highbanks. Expect to get wet and muddy. In partnership with Ohio Geological Survey. Ages 8 and older Nature Center
OCT 19 SAT 2–4PM

HOWL AT THE MOON DOG HIKE
Bring your canine friend on a 3.5-mile hike. Dogs must be leashed. All Ages Nature Center
SEP 13 FRI 7:30–8:30PM

FOR FAMILIES: EVENING WILDLIFE HIKE
Hike 1-mile as we search for wildlife in the forest and fields. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
SEP 14 SAT 7–8PM

SO YOU WANT TO BE A METROPARKS VOLUNTEER!
Take the first step to become a Metro Parks volunteer. Discover year-round volunteer opportunities throughout the park district to find the right fit for you. Enjoy a guided hike, light refreshments and meet like-minded people. Interested applicants can also complete the volunteer interview after the program. If you plan on interviewing for a volunteer position, please plan to stay until 4pm. Ages 16 and older Advance registration
SEP 15 SUN 40432000

FOR FAMILIES: TREE ID
Learn basic tree and leaf identification on a 1-mile hike. Ages 8 and older Nature Center
SEP 28 SAT 2–3PM

FOR FAMILIES: NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT
Stop by the nature center and pick up a nature scavenger hunt. Everyone wins a small prize. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
OCT 6 SUN 12–2PM

CREATURE FEATURE: REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS
Meet our education animals to learn about how we take care of them. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
OCT 12 SAT 2–3PM

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OCT 13 FRI 7–8PM

FOR KIDS: NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT
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OCT 11 FRI 6:30–7:30PM

HALLOWEEN-THEMED FAMILY FUN NIGHT
Dress up in your Halloween costume and play fun Halloween games. Enjoy smores over the campfire. No scary costumes. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
OCT 18 FRI 6–8PM

OFF-TRAIL RAVINE HIKE
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OCT 19 SAT 2–4PM

TO LEARN MORE, VISIT METROPAKSNET
Highbanks programs

FOR KIDS: MAKE WIZARD WANDS
Discover some of the magical trees that grow in the Highbanks forest. Make your own wand to take home. Ages 5-12 Nature Center
OCT 20 SUN 2–3PM

PRESCHOOL: SILLY SPIDERS
Learn about our 8-legged friends through stories, hike and craft. Ages 3-5 Nature Center
OCT 23 WED 11AM–12PM

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Learn about our 8-legged friends through stories, hike and craft. Ages 3-5 Nature Center
OCT 24 THU 11AM–12PM

FOR KIDS: HARVEST CRAFTS
Make crafts to celebrate the fall season. Ages 3-12 Nature Center
OCT 26 SAT 12–2PM

FOR FAMILIES: HIKE TO THE GIANTS
Rugged 4-mile off-trail hike to the 300-year old giant sycamores along the Olentangy River. Ages 8 and older Advance registration
OCT 27 SUN 40420900

STORYTIME: I’M NOT SCARED
Listen to stories and learn about misunderstood animals. Ages 2-5 Nature Center
OCT 28 MON 10–10:30AM

FOR KIDS: NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT
Stop by the nature center and pick up a nature scavenger hunt. Everyone wins a small prize. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
NOV 5 TUE 10AM–12PM

FAMILY FUN NIGHT
Roast s’mores around the campfire. Enjoy crafts and activities in the nature center. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
NOV 8 FRI 6–7:30PM

HOWL AT THE MOON DOG HIKE
Bring your canine friend and a flashlight on a 3.5-mile hike. Dogs must be leashed. All Ages Nature Center
NOV 9 SAT 5:30–6:30PM

PRESCHOOL: PEOPLE OF THE PAST
Learn about the Native American people who lived at Highbanks. Ages 3-5 Nature Center
NOV 13 WED 1–2PM

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NOV 14 THU 11AM–12PM

FOR FAMILIES: LANTERN STROLL
Carry lanterns to light the way on a 1-mile hike on the Dripping Rock Trail. Ages 5 and older Nature Center
NOV 16 SAT 5:30–6:30PM

NATURE PRINT CONTEST
View entries and winners from the 2019 Nature Photo Contest showcasing plants, animals, and scenery from Metro Parks and Ohio. Plus, cast your vote for the People’s Choice Award. Information on registration and contest rules can be found at https://goo.gl/ic6Drx. Nature Center
NOV 16-17 SAT-SUN 10AM–4PM

STORYTIME: GOOD MORNING
Wear your pajamas and listen to some stories about animals just waking up. Ages 2-5 Nature Center
NOV 18 MON 10–10:30AM

FOR FAMILIES: THANKSGIVING CRAFTS
Make autumn inspired crafts to take home. Ages 3 and older Nature Center
NOV 25 MON 11AM–1PM

NOVEMBER

WEBELOS: EARTH ROCKS
Webelos will participate in both indoor and outdoor activities that meet requirements for the Earth Rocks pin. Ages 10-11 Advance registration
NOV 3 SUN 1-2PM OR 3-4PM
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