



APRIL 2024 HOUSTON AREA ENVIRONMENTAL EVENT CALENDAR/LIST

Confirm dates, times & details at organization websites.

Special Events and Programs:

- ❖ **Project Feeder Watch** -until April 30 <https://txmn.org/heartwood/event/project-feederwatch>
- ❖ **Thurs., Apr. 4 The Wild Side of Houston** with Suzanne Simpson www.coastalprairie.org
- ❖ **Fri., Apr. 5 4-7 pm Clear Lake Chapter NPSOT Spring Plant Sale** www.npsot.org/clearlake
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 6 9 am–1 pm Nature Day at Seabourne Creek Nature Park** www.coastalprairie.org
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 6 First Saturday Hikes** <https://tpwd.texas.gov/calendar>
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 6 First Saturday Bolivar Flats Beach Ramble** www.houstonaudubon.org
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 6 1st Sat. Grassroom Workday at Kolter Elem.** <https://kolterpto.com/the-grassroom>
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 6 Workday at Marysee Prairie, Batson TX** www.texaslandconservancy.org
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 6 Gulf Coast Bird Observatory Stewardship Saturday** www.gcbo.org
- ❖ **Sun., Apr. 7 Native Bees & Growing Native Bloomers!** Brazos Bend State Park dining hall. Starts at 9 am, ends with a tour of Nash Prairie. <https://txmn.org/coastal/events/month/2024-04>
- ❖ **Sun., Apr. 7 Deer Park Prairie Mothing** <https://texasprairie.org/deerpark>
- ❖ **Mon., Apr. 8 Clear Lake Chapter NPSOT Meeting** www.npsot.org/chapters/Clearlake
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 13 Brays Oaks Birds, Blooms and Bikes**, including NPSOT Field Trip at 9 am. <https://www.braysoaksmid.org/2024/03/birds-blooms-and-bikes-staggered-events-april-13>
- ❖ **Apr. 13, 14, 15 Houston Audubon Native Nursery Online Plant Sale** www.houstonaudubon.org
- ❖ **Tues., Apr. 16 TMN Tuesdays** <https://txmn.tamu.edu/tmntuesdays>
- ❖ **Thurs., Apr. 18 NPSOT Houston Meeting, May 16, June 20** www.npsot.org/houston
- ❖ **Apr. 10, 13, & 24, May 11, 22, 25 -Coastal Heritage Preserve Workdays** www.artistboat.org
- ❖ **Thurs., Apr. 18 -21 Galveston Featherfest** www.galvestonfeatherfest.com
- ❖ **Fri., Apr. 19 Houston Arboretum Alfresco Gala** www.houstonarboretum.org
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 20 Earth Day Houston** <https://cechouston.org/earth-day-houston>
- ❖ **Mon., Apr. 22 Earth Day** www.earthday.org/earth-day-2024
- ❖ **Wed., Apr. 24 Houston Chapter - Native Prairies Association** <https://houstonprairie.org>
- ❖ **April 26-29 City Nature Challenge** www.inaturalist.org
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 27 8 am- 2 pm 38th Annual Herb Day** <http://www.herbsociety-stu.org>
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 27 Earth Day at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org
- ❖ **Sat., Apr. 27 Deer Park Prairie Pollinator Workshop & CNC Bioblitz** www.texasprairie.org
- ❖ **Wed. May 1 6:30 pm 2024 Bash: Colors of Conservation** www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
- ❖ **Fri., May 3 A Toast to The Coast - Nature Discovery Center** www.naturediscoverycenter.org
- ❖ **Sat., May 4 Brazos Bend Expo** <https://txmn.org/coastal/event/vsp-brazos-bend-expo-24-celebrating-40-years-of-service>
- ❖ **Native Landscapes - NLCP Class**, May 4 Level 1, May 18 Level 4 www.npsot.org
- ❖ **Sun. May 5 Pocket Prairie & Great Grow Out Workshop** www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
- ❖ **Sat., May 11 World Migratory Bird Day** www.houstonaudubon.org

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Mon., Apr. 1

1. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, Brush & Beak Art Series: Contemporary Bird Illustrators, 7:30 am **Spring Creek Nature Trail Survey, Memorial Park Eastern Glades & Hogg Survey**, 8 am **Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration** www.houstonaudubon.org

Tues, Apr. 2

2. 6:30 am Volunteer: **Bird Collision Monitoring**, 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey**, 8 am **Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration** www.houstonaudubon.org
3. 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Park** Tues Bird Walks www.facebook.com/West11thStPark
4. 9 am – noon **Greenhouse Gardening at Mercer** Tues., Wed.& Thurs. www.pct3.com/MBG
5. **Texas Master Naturalist TMNTuesday** www.txmn.tamu.edu
6. **Prairie Tuesday** www.abnc.org

Wed., Apr. 3

7. 6:30 am Volunteer: **Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am **Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration**, 7 pm **Nature Photography meeting, Native Plant Propagation Morning** (Wed. & Fri.) www.houstonaudubon.org
8. 8 am **Bird Hike at Seabourne Creek Nature Center** (1st Wed.) www.coastalprairie.org
9. 8:30 am **Conservation Connections at Jesse Jones Park** www.pct3.com/jjp
10. **Kleb Woods Weekly Bird Walk** (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park
11. **Deer Park Prairie Workday & Open House** <https://houstonprairie.org>
12. 9 am **Tai Chi at Jesse Jones Park** (Wednesdays) www.pct3.com/jjp
13. 4 pm **Nature Story Time at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org

Thurs., Apr. 4

14. 6:30 am Volunteer: **Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am **Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration** www.houstonaudubon.org
15. 9:30 – 10:30 am **Mindful Mornings at the Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org
16. 5:30 pm 1st Thursday Birdwalk at **Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve** www.facebook.com/West11thStPark
17. 6:30 pm **Gulf Coast Master Naturalist Meeting** <https://txmn.org/gulfcoast>
18. **The Wild Side of Houston** with Suzanne Simpson www.coastalprairie.org

Fri., Apr. 5

19. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7 am **Moody Gardens Bird Survey**, 11 am Rookery Talk, Volunteer: Native Plant Propagation Workday www.houstonaudubon.org
20. 4-7 pm **Clear Lake Chapter NPSOT Spring Plant Sale** www.npsot.org/clearlake
21. **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
22. 9 am **Mercer Botanic Gardens Garden Cruisin: Tour De 4** (60 plus) www.pct3.com/MBG

Sat, Apr. 6

23. **Nature Day at Seabourne Creek Nature Park** www.coastalprairie.org
24. **First Saturday Hikes** <https://tpwd.texas.gov/calendar>
25. Free Admission Day at High Island Sanctuaries, 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Spring Creek Nature Trail Survey**, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 8 am Jesse Jones Bird Survey, Sylvan Rodriguez Survey, , 9 am Seabrook Bird Count, 10 m **Bolivar Flats Beach Ramble**, 11 am Birding 101, 11 am Rookery Talk, 2 pm Lights Out Birding Class www.houstonaudubon.org
26. 7:45 am **Bird Survey and Nature Hike at Jesse Jones Park** www.pct3.com/jjp
27. **Sat., Apr. 6 1st Sat. Grassroom Workday at Kolter Elem.** <https://kolterpto.com/the-grassroom>
28. **Sat., Apr. 6 Workday at Marysee Prairie**, Batson TX www.texaslandconservancy.org
29. **Gulf Coast Bird Observatory Stewardship Saturday** www.gcbo.org
30. **Buffalo Bayou Boat Excursion** www.buffalobayou.org
31. 9 am **Cabin, Coffee, Conversation at Edith Moore Nature Sanctuary** www.houstonaudubon.org
32. **Project Blazingstar** at Hermann Park 1st & 3rd Sat. Workdays <https://houstonprairie.org>
33. **Kayak the Coastal Heritage Preserve** www.artistboard.org
34. 10 am Tree ID Walk **at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org
35. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun, Apr. 7

36. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 8 am Sheldon Lake SP Survey, 11 am Birding Bolivar Peninsula Class, 11 am Rookery Class. www.houstonaudubon.org
37. **Deer Park Prairie Mothing** <https://texasprairie.org/deerpark>
38. **Sunday Farmers Markets** www.urbanharvest.org
39. **Native Bees & Growing Native Bloomers!** With Mark Morgenstern and Carol Clark. Brazos Bend State Park dining hall. Starts at 9 am, ends with a tour of Nash Prairie. <https://txmn.org/coastal/events/month/2024-04>

Mon, Apr. 8

- 40. Hermann Park Bird Survey, **Houston Botanic Garden Bird Survey**, 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am Spring Creek Nature Trail Bird Survey 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration www.houstonaudubon.org
- 41. 6:30 pm 2nd Mon **Houston Urban Gardeners (HUG)** www.houstonurbangardeners.org
- 42. 6:30 pm 2nd Mon Online **Clear Lake Chapter** of the Native Plant Society of Texas <http://npsot.org/wp/clearlake>

Tues, Apr. 9

- 43. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey** 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 8 am Lorraine Cherry Bird Survey www.houstonaudubon.org
- 44. 8 am **Women's Restorative Hike at Mercer** 2nd and 4th Tues. www.pct3.com/MBG
- 45. 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Park** Tues Bird Walks www.facebook.com/West11thStPark
- 46. 9 am – noon **Greenhouse Gardening at Mercer** Tues., Wed.& Thurs. www.pct3.com/MBG
- 47. **Texas Master Naturalist TMNTuesday** www.txmn.tamu.edu
- 48. **Kickerillo-Mischer Preserve** www.hcp4.net/kmp
- 49. **Prairie Tuesday** www.abnc.org

Wed., Apr. 10

- 50. **Houston Audubon** 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration www.houstonaudubon.org
- 51. **Kleb Woods** Weekly Bird Walk (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park
- 52. **Deer Park Prairie Workday & Open House** <https://houstonprairie.org>
- 53. 8:30 – 11 am **Volunteer Work Day at Sylvan Rodriguez Park** <https://txmn.org/gulfcoast/event/hpard-sylvan-rodriguez-park-volunteer-workday/all/>
- 54. 9 am **Tai Chi at Jesse Jones Park** (Wednesdays) www.pct3.com/jjp
- 55. 4 pm **Nature Story Time at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org

Thurs., Apr. 11

- 56. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am **Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration** www.houstonaudubon.org
- 57. 8 am - 3 pm **Katy Prairie Field Day** (2nd Thursdays) www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
- 58. 9 am – noon HPARD's Natural Resources Management Program's **Native Plant Propagation workdays 2nd & 4th Thursdays at the HPARD** Greenhouse, 6501 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77007. Please join us! Contact [Kelli.Ondracek\(at\)houstontx.org](mailto:Kelli.Ondracek(at)houstontx.org) www.prairiepartner.org
- 59. 7:30 pm **Houston Sierra Club Meeting** www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings

Fri., Apr. 12

- 60. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 11 am Birding with Technology Class, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
- 61. 8:30 am **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Sat., Apr. 13

- 62. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 7 am Armand Bayou Bird Survey, 8 am Volunteer : High Island Spring Migration, 8 am Houston Arboretum Bird Survey, 9 am Coffee, Cabin & Conversation, 10 am Native Plant Gardening, 11 am Birding & Community Science Class, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
- 63. 8:30 am Saturdays **Yoga in the Park at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org
- 64. **Apr. 13, 14, 15 Houston Audubon Native Nursery Online Plant Sale** www.houstonaudubon.org
- 65. **Brays Oaks Birds, Blooms and Bikes**, including NPSOT Field Trip at 9 am. <https://www.braysoaksmid.org/2024/03/birds-blooms-and-bikes-staggered-events-april-13>
- 66. **Houston Arboretum** 2nd Sat. Bird Survey, Mindful Mornings, Art & Nature, Wild Tea www.houstonarboretum.org
- 67. **Join Splash TX Events – Cleaning up Bayous and More** www.splashtx.org/events
- 68. 9-11:30 am 2nd & 3rd Sat. **Memorial Park Conservation Crew Workday** <http://memorialparkconservancy.org/volunteer.html>
- 69. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun., Apr. 14

- 70. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 9 am Beginner's Bird Walk, 11 am Warbler ID Class, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
- 71. **Second Sunday Pickers** at **Jesse Jones Park** www.pct3.com/jjp
- 72. **Sunday Farmers Markets** www.urbanharvest.org

Mon., Apr. 15

- 73. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Spring Creek Nature Trail Survey**, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration , 10:30 am Stories & Crafts in the Cabin www.houstonaudubon.org
- 74. 9:30 am **Nine Natives Workday** at Houston Museum of Natural Science <https://txmn.org/gulfcoast>
- 75. 8 am **Monday Morning Birding** at (3rd Monday) Jesse Jones Park www.pct3.com/jjp
- 76. 10:30 am **Storytime at Mercer** 1st and 3rd Mondays www.pct3.com/MBG

Tues, Apr. 16

- 77. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey**, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org
- 78. 9 am – noon **Greenhouse Gardening at Mercer** Tues, Wed. and Thurs. www.pct3.com/MBG
- 79. 9 am – 1 pm **Visit the Ann Hamilton Trail at Indiangrass Preserve** Tuesdays and Fridays www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Wed., Apr. 17

- 80. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am **Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration**, 10 am **Brush & Bird Art Series: Field Sketching Birds (May 22 Bird Quilling)** www.houstonaudubon.org
- 81. **Kleb Woods Weekly Bird Walk (Wed)** www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park
- 82. 9 am **Tai Chi at Jesse Jones Park (Wednesdays)** www.pct3.com/jjp
- 83. 6 pm Volunteer Orientation at **Mercer Botanic Gardens** www.pct3.com/MBG
- 84. 7 pm **Bay Area Sierra Club Meeting (3rd Wed)** www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings

Thurs., Apr. 18

- 85. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am , Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 8 am **Baytown Bird Survey**, 9 am **Texas City Dike Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org
- 86. **Apr. 18 -21 Galveston Featherfest** www.galvestonfeatherfest.com
- 87. 9:30 am **Mindful Mornings, Educator Workshop Happy Hour** www.houstonarboretum.org
- 88. 7 pm (3rd Thursday) **Native Plant Society Meeting** www.npsot.org/houston

Fri., Apr. 19

- 89. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, Native Plant Propagation, 8 am Volunteer, High Island Spring Migration, 8 am Edith Moore Bird Survey, 11 am Birding 101 Class, 11 am Rookery Talk, www.houstonaudubon.org
- 90. **Houston Arboretum Alfresco Gala** www.houstonarboretum.org
- 91. **Prairie Friday at Armand Bayou** www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
- 92. 9 -10 am, 11 – 12 pm **Mercer Botanic Gardens Cruising (60 plus)** www.pct3.com/MBG

Sat., Apr. 20

- 93. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 7:30 am **Woodland Park Bird Survey**, 8 am **Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration**, 8 am Sylvan Rogriguez Survey, 11 am History of High Island Class, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
- 94. **Earth Day Houston** <https://cechouston.org/earth-day-houston>
- 95. **Guided Kayak Tour at Armand Bayou** www.abnc.org
- 96. 8 am **Willow Waterhole Bird Survey**, 2 pm Meet the Animals www.naturediscoverycenter.org
- 97. 8 am **Watson Preserve Volunteer Workday**, 9:30 am Wildflower Walk <http://watsonpreserve.ning.com>
- 98. 9-11:30 am 2nd & 3rd Saturdays **Memorial Park Conservation Crew Workday** <http://memorialparkconservancy.org/volunteer.html>
- 99. **Project Blazingstar** 1st & 3rd Sat. Workdays <https://houstonprairie.org>
- 100. 9 am **Mercer Botanic Gardens Tai Chi** www.pct3.com/MBG
- 101. 9 am – noon **Don Greene Nature Park (3rd Sat.) Workday** www.facebook.com/pages/Don-Greene-Nature-Park/1781521885437362
- 102. **Galveston Bay Association Events** www.galvbay.org
- 103. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun., Apr. 21

- 104. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 11 am Raptor Class, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
- 105. 9 am **Yoga on the Lawn at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org
- 106. 10 am – 2 pm **Mercer Ambassadors: Saturdays & Sundays** www.pct3.com/MBG

Mon., Apr. 22

- 107. **Earth Day** www.earthday.org/earth-day-2024
- 108. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon Volunteer Bird Collision Monitoring**, 7:30 am Archbishop Fiorenza Bird Survey, 7:30 am Spring Creek Nature Trail Survey, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 10:30 am Stories & Crafts in the Cabin www.houstonaudubon.org

Tues., Apr. 23

- 109. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey** 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 8 am Lorraine Cherry Bird Survey www.houstonaudubon.org
- 110. 8 am **Women's Restorative Hike at Mercer** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays www.pct3.com/MBG
- 111. 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Park Tues Bird Walks** www.facebook.com/West11thStPark
- 112. 9 am – noon **Greenhouse Gardening at Mercer** Tues., Wed. and Thurs. www.pct3.com/MBG
- 113. 9 am – 1 pm **Visit the Ann Hamilton Trail at Indiangrass Preserve** Tues and Fri www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Wed., Apr. 24

114. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, Senior Bus Trip www.houstonaudubon.org
115. **Kleb Woods** Weekly Bird Walk (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park
116. 4 pm **Nature Story Time at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org
117. **Native Prairies Association of Texas Houston Chapter meeting** <https://houstonprairie.org>

Thurs., Apr. 25

118. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 8 am **Mercer Botanic Gardens Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org
119. 9 am – noon HPARD's Natural Resources Management Program's **Native Plant Propagation workdays 2nd & 4th Thursdays at the HPARD** Greenhouse, 6501 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77007. Please join us! Contact [Kelli.Ondracek\(at\)houstontx.org](mailto:Kelli.Ondracek(at)houstontx.org) www.prairiepartner.org

Fri., Apr. 26

120. **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
121. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 9 am **Houston Audubon** Native Nursery Workday 11 am Birding by Habitat Class, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
122. 10 am – 2:30 pm **Blood Drive at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org

Sat., Apr. 27

123. **Earth Day at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org
124. **Deer Park Prairie Pollinator Workshop & CNC Bioblitz** www.texasprairie.org
125. **Little Thicket Nature Sanctuary Visitor's Day** (4th Saturday) www.outdoornatureclub.org
126. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun., Apr. 28

127. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 11 am Birding by Weather Class, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
128. 10 am – 2 pm **Mercer Ambassadors:** Saturdays & Sundays www.pct3.com/MBG

Mon., Apr. 29

129. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 7:30 am Spring Creek Nature Trail Bird Survey www.houstonaudubon.org

Tues., Apr. 30

130. 6:30 am **Houston Audubon** Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 7:30 am Rice U Bird Survey, 8 am Lorraine Cherry Bird Survey www.houstonaudubon.org

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Wed., May 1

131. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am Volunteer High Island Spring Migration www.houstonaudubon.org
132. 8:30 am **Conservation Connections at Jesse Jones Park** www.pct3.com/jjp
133. **Kleb Woods** Weekly Bird Walk (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park
134. **Deer Park Prairie Workday & Open House** <https://houstonprairie.org>
135. 9 am **Tai Chi at Jesse Jones Park** (Wednesdays) www.pct3.com/jjp
136. 4 pm **Nature Story Time at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org
137. 6:30 pm **2024 Coastal Prairie Bash: Colors of Conservation** www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Thurs., May 2

138. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am Volunteer: High Island Spring Migration, 5:30 pm Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve www.houstonaudubon.org
139. 9:30 – 10:30 am **Mindful Mornings at the Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org
140. 5:30 pm 1st Thursday Birdwalk at **Lorraine Cherry Park** www.facebook.com/West11thStPark
141. 6:30 pm **Gulf Coast Master Naturalist Meeting** <https://txmn.org/gulfcoast>
142. **Coastal Conservation Association NW Houston Fish Fry** www.cca.org

Fri., May 3

143. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer High Island Spring Migration, 7 am **Moody Gardens Bird Survey**, 11 am **Rookery Talk**, Morning Plant Propagation (Wednesday & Friday) www.houstonaudubon.org
144. 7 am Hike Memorial Park www.meetup.com/HoustonUrban-Trekkers
145. **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
146. 9 am **Mercer Botanic Gardens** Garden Cruisin: Tour De 4 (60 plus) www.pct3.com/MBG
147. **A Toast to The Coast Gala - Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org

Sat, May 4

148. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Volunteer High Island Spring Migration, 7:30 am **Spring Creek Nature Trail Survey**, 10 am Bolivar Flats Beach Ramble , 9 am Seabrook Bird Count, 9 am Cabin, Coffee, Conversation www.houstonaudubon.org
149. **Level 1 NLCP Class** www.npsot.org
150. **Brazos Bend Expo** <https://txmn.org/coastal/event/vsp-brazos-bend-expo-24-celebrating-40-years-of-service>
151. 7:45 am **Bird Survey and Nature Hike at Jesse Jones Park** www.pct3.com/jjp
152. **Buffalo Bayou Boat Excursion** www.buffalobayou.org
153. 9 am **Cabin, Coffee, Conversation at Edith Moore Nature Sanctuary** www.houstonaudubon.org
154. Houston Arboretum, www.houstonarboretum.org
155. **Project Blazingstar** at Hermann Park 1st & 3rd Sat. Workdays <https://houstonprairie.org>
156. **Kayak the Coastal Heritage Preserve** www.artistboard.org
157. 10 am Tree ID Walk **at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org
158. **Coastal Conservation Association Sugarland Chapter Banquet** www.cca.org
159. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun, May 5

160. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 8 am **Sheldon Lake SP Survey**, 11 am Rookery Talk www.houstonaudubon.org
161. **Pocket Prairie & Great Grow Out Workshop** www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
162. **Sunday Farmers Markets** www.urbanharvest.org

Mon, May 6

163. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Spring Creek Nature Trail Bird Survey**, Eastern Glades Memorial Park Bird Survey www.houstonaudubon.org
164. 6:30 pm 2nd Mon **Houston Urban Gardeners (HUG)** www.houstonurbangardeners.org
165. 6:30 pm 2nd Mon Online **Clear Lake Chapter** of the Native Plant Society of Texas <http://npsot.org/wp/clearlake>

Tues, May 7

166. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org
167. 8 am **Women's Restorative Hike at Mercer** 2nd and 4th Tues. www.pct3.com/MBG
168. 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Park** Tues Bird Walks www.facebook.com/West11thStPark
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Wed., May 8

172. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring** www.houstonaudubon.org
173. **Kleb Woods** Weekly Bird Walk (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park
174. **Deer Park Prairie Workday & Open House** <https://houstonprairie.org>
175. 8:30 – 11 am **Volunteer Work Day at Sylvan Rodriguez Park** <https://txmn.org/gulfcoast/event/hpard-sylvan-rodriquez-park-volunteer-workday/all/>
176. 9 am **Tai Chi at Jesse Jones Park** (Wednesdays) www.pct3.com/jjp
177. 4 pm **Nature Story Time at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org

Thurs., May 9

178. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring** www.houstonaudubon.org
179. 8 am - 3 pm **Katy Prairie Field Day** (2nd Thursdays) www.coastalprairieconservancy.org
180. 9 am – noon HPARD's Natural Resources Management Program's **Native Plant Propagation workdays 2nd & 4th Thursdays at the HPARD** Greenhouse, 6501 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77007. Please join us! Contact [Kelli.Ondracek\(at\)houstontx.org](mailto:Kelli.Ondracek(at)houstontx.org) www.prairiepartner.org
181. 7:30 pm **Houston Sierra Club Meeting** www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings

Fri., May 10

182. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring**, 9 am **Houston Audubon** Edith Moore Nature Sanctuary Plant Propagation www.houstonaudubon.org
183. **Sip & Stroll at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org
184. 8:30 am **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Sat., May 11

185. 6:30 am Bird Collision Monitoring, 7 am Armand Bayou Bird Survey, 8 am **Houston Arboretum Bird Survey**, 10 am 3rd Ward Block Party, 8 am Volunteer Planting- World Migratory Bird Day www.houstonaudubon.org
186. 8:30 am Saturdays **Yoga in the Park at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org
187. **UH Coastal Center Bird Survey, Willow Waterhole Bird Survey**, Raptor Photo Shoot, Woodland Park Bird Survey, EL Moore Community Workday, Owl Prowl, www.houstonaudubon.org
188. **Houston Arboretum** 2nd Sat. Bird Survey, Mindful Mornings, Art & Nature, Wild Tea www.houstonarboretum.org
189. **Join Splash TX Events – Cleaning up Bayous and More** www.splashtx.org/events

190. 9-11:30 am 2nd & 3rd Sat. **Memorial Park Conservation Crew Workday**

<http://memorialparkconservancy.org/volunteer.html>

191. **Coastal Conservation Association Ft. Bend Chapter Annual Banquet** www.cca.org

192. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun., May 12

193. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring** www.houstonaudubon.org

194. **Second Sunday Pickers** at **Jesse Jones Park** www.pct3.com/jjp

195. **Sunday Farmers Markets** www.urbanharvest.org

Mon., May 13

196. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Spring Creek Nature Trail Survey**, **Hermann Park Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org

197. 9:30 am **Nine Natives Workday** at Houston Museum of Natural Science <https://txmn.org/gulfcoast>

198. 8 am **Monday Morning Birding** at (3rd Monday) Jesse Jones Park www.pct3.com/jjp

199. 10:30 am **Storytime at Mercer** 1st and 3rd Mondays www.pct3.com/MBG

Tues., May 14

200. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey**, 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org

201. 9 am – noon **Greenhouse Gardening at Mercer** Tues, Wed. and Thurs. www.pct3.com/MBG

202. 9 am – 1 pm **Visit the Ann Hamilton Trail at Indiangrass Preserve** Tuesdays and Fridays www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Wed., May 15

203. **Kleb Woods** Weekly Bird Walk (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park

204. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, **Houston Audubon Senior Bus Trip** www.houstonaudubon.org

205. 9 am **Tai Chi at Jesse Jones Park** (Wednesdays) www.pct3.com/jjp

206. 6 pm Volunteer Orientation at **Mercer Botanic Gardens** www.pct3.com/MBG

207. 7 pm **Bay Area Sierra Club Meeting** (3rd Wed) www.meetup.com/Houston-Sierra-Club-Outings

Thurs., May 16

208. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am **Baytown Bird Survey**, 9 am **Texas City Dike Bird Survey**, www.houstonaudubon.org

209. 9:30 am **Mindful Mornings, Educator Workshop Happy Hour** www.houstonarboretum.org

210. **Coastal Conservation Association Katy Annual Banquet, Greater Woodlands Chapter Banquet** www.cca.org

211. 7 pm (3rd Thursday) **Native Plant Society Meeting** www.npsot.org/houston

Fri., May 17

212. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am Edith Moore Bird Survey, Plant Propagation at Edith Moore www.houstonaudubon.org

213. **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

214. 9 -10 am, 11 – 12 pm **Mercer Botanic Gardens Cruising** (60 plus) www.pct3.com/MBG

Sat., May 18

215. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, **Willow Waterhole Bird Survey**, 7:30 am Woodland Park Bird Survey, 8 am Sylvan Rodriguez Bird Survey, 9 am Digital by Nature www.houstonaudubon.org

216. **Level 4 NLCP Class** www.npsot.org

217. 7:50 am **Guided Kayak Tour at Armand Bayou** www.abnc.org

218. 8 am **Willow Waterhole Bird Survey**, 2 pm Meet the Animals www.naturediscoverycenter.org

219. 8 am **Watson Preserve Volunteer Workday**, 9:30 am Wildflower Walk <http://watsonpreserve.ning.com>

220. 9-11:30 am 2nd & 3rd Saturdays **Memorial Park Conservation Crew Workday** <http://memorialparkconservancy.org/volunteer.html>

221. **Project Blazingstar** 1st & 3rd Sat. Workdays <https://houstonprairie.org>

222. 9 am **Mercer Botanic Gardens Tai Chi** www.pct3.com/MBG

223. 9 am – noon **Don Greene Nature Park** (3rd Sat.) Workday www.facebook.com/pages/Don-Greene-Nature-Park/1781521885437362

224. **Family Owl Prowl at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org

225. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun., May 19

226. 6:30 am **Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring** www.houstonaudubon.org

227. 9 am **Yoga on the Lawn at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org

228. 10 am – 2 pm **Mercer Ambassadors:** Saturdays & Sundays www.pct3.com/MBG

Mon., May 20

229. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, **Houston Botanic Garden Survey**, 7:30 am Spring Creek Nature Trail Survey, www.houstonaudubon.org

Tues., May 21

230. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org

231. 8 am **Women's Restorative Hike at Mercer** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays www.pct3.com/MBG

232. 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Park** Tues Bird Walks www.facebook.com/West11thStPark

233. 9 am – noon **Greenhouse Gardening at Mercer** Tues., Wed. and Thurs. www.pct3.com/MBG

234. 9 am – 1 pm **Visit the Ann Hamilton Trail at Indiangrass Preserve** Tues and Fri

www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Wed., May 22

235. 6:30 Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 10 am **Brush & Beak** www.houstonaudubon.org

236. **Kleb Woods** Weekly Bird Walk (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park

237. 4 pm **Nature Story Time at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org

238. **Native Prairies Association of Texas Houston Chapter meeting** <https://houstonprairie.org>

Thurs., May 23

239. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 8 am **Mercer Botanic Gardens Bird Survey**

www.houstonaudubon.org

240. 9 am – noon HPARD's Natural Resources Management Program's **Native Plant Propagation workdays 2nd & 4th Thursdays at the HPARD Greenhouse**, 6501 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77007. Please join us! Contact

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Fri., May 24

241. **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

242. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 9 am **Houston Audubon Native Nursery Workday**

www.houstonaudubon.org

243. 10 am – 2:30 pm **Blood Drive at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org

Sat., May 25

244. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, **UH Coastal Center Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org

245. **Little Thicket Nature Sanctuary Visitor's Day** (4th Saturday) www.outdoornatureclub.org

246. **Adult Owl Prowl at the Houston Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org

247. **Saturday Farmer's Market:** Fulshear Farmer's Market, 9 to 1 pm, 9035 Bois D'Arc Lane at FM 1093, Urban Harvest Farmer's Market at St. John's School 8 am-noon at 2752 Buffalo Speedway, Northeast Community Farmer's Market at 5425 Troost St. 1st and 3rd Saturdays <http://urbanharvest.org/farmersmarkets>

Sun., May 26

248. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring **Houston Audubon** www.houstonaudubon.org

249. 10 am – 2 pm **Mercer Ambassadors:** Saturdays & Sundays www.pct3.com/MBG

Mon., May 27

250. 6:30 am Volunteer: Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Spring Creek Nature Trail Bird Survey**, Archbishop Fiorenza Bird Survey www.houstonaudubon.org

251. 7 pm **Jesse Jones Park Volunteers Meeting** www.pct3.com/jjp

Tues., May 28

252. 6:30 am Bird Collision Monitoring, 7:30 am **Rice U Bird Survey** 8 am **Lorraine Cherry Park Bird Survey** www.houstonaudubon.org

253. 9 am – noon **Greenhouse Gardening at Mercer** Tues., Wed. and Thurs. www.pct3.com/MBG

254. 9 am – 1 pm **Visit the Ann Hamilton Trail at Indiangrass Preserve** Tues and Fri

www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

Wed., May 29

255. 6:30 am Bird Collision Monitoring **Houston Audubon** www.houstonaudubon.org

256. **Kleb Woods** Weekly Bird Walk (Wed) www.pct3.com/parks/kleb-park

257. 4 pm **Nature Story Time at the Nature Discovery Center** www.naturesdiscoverycenter.org

Thurs., May 30

258. 6:30 am Bird Collision Monitoring **Houston Audubon** www.houstonaudubon.org

259. 9:30 – 10:30 am **Mindful Mornings at the Arboretum** www.houstonarboretum.org

Fri., May 31

260. 6:30 am Bird Collision Monitoring, 9 am **Houston Audubon** Edith Moore Nature Sanctuary Plant Propagation www.houstonaudubon.org

261. 8:30 am **Prairie Friday** at Armand Bayou www.abnc.org and Katy Prairie www.coastalprairieconservancy.org

- **Please Volunteer!** We need help with **Native Plant/Master Naturalist OUTREACH EVENTS/DISPLAY BOOTH** Get Volunteer Hours, Have fun! Please let us know if you'd like to borrow a display for your neighborhood or school event.

Lagniappe:

- a. **Houston Natural Area Permit:** *Want to Reduce Watering and Pollution, Save Time & Money?* Replace your lawn with native plants and natural mulch such as leaves and pine needles. Provide habitat for birds and other wildlife. Apply for a **City of Houston Natural Area Permit:** Rules can be found at <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/pdfs/NAO.pdf> The Permit application can be found at <http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/pdfs/naturalareaspermitapp.pdf>
- b. **From the Wildflower Center: Milkweed Seeds** are available www.wildflower.org/projects/milkweed-seed-distribution-program Milkweed Propagation Guide: www.wildflower.org
- c. **Please join these meetups to keep up with Native Plant events! It's free to join Meetup. Find others who share your interests!** www.meetup.com/Native-Plant-Society-of-Texas-Houston-Chapter and www.meetup.com/Houston-Chapter-of-the-Native-Prairies-Association-of-Texas and www.meetup.com/Environmentally
- d. **Japhet Creek Restoration Volunteers** www.facebook.com/groups/japhetcreekvolunteers
- e. **Wildflower Seed Grant for Schools** www.wildflower.org/wildflowers
- f. **NWF's Eco-schools** www.nwf.org/eco-schools-usa.aspx
- g. **Join the Outdoor Nature Club! Monthly Visitor Weekends at the Little Thicket Nature Sanctuary. Learn more at** www.outdoornatureclub.org Need a botany group leader
- h. Send an email to **Brenda Beust Smith** at [lazygardenerandfriends\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:lazygardenerandfriends(at)gmail.com) to receive the **Lazy Gardener and Friends Houston Garden Newsletter**, full of information and events.

Native Plant Society Notes:

262. **Send Newsletter articles** to Native Times Editor (**need an Editor!**)
263. **Houston Zoo Garden Workdays** Contact Sally [sallyhilliard2\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:sallyhilliard2(at)gmail.com) for workday notices.
264. **Field Trips**- 3 Spring, 3 Fall, Need a Field Trip Coordinator!
265. **NPSOT STATE OFFICE** P.O. Box 3017, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, 830-997-9272, [state\(at\)npsot.org](mailto:state(at)npsot.org) Join as a member at www.npsot.org