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Spring | Summer Program Guide
2023

Welcome to the 2023 Clermont County Spring and Summer Program Guide!

This guide, like many of the programs and activities found in it, are a direct reflection of our recently wrapped Master Plan. This Master Plan will be the park's guiding document for the next decade, and is made up of a year and a half of work from planning firm MKSK and Clermont Parks, along with input from our business community, non-profit partners and the residents of Clermont County. We sent out surveys, held meetings, and attended festivals, fairs, and events to get great ideas of what the community wants to see in our parks.

Our mission at Clermont Parks is that you experience *more* outdoors. Whether that's more opportunities to experience wildlife, more outdoor recreation, more connection to yourself or loved ones - we want to provide ways for you to do this this on your time and in your way. Parks staff is working to increase trails, improve access to water, provide close-up experiences to wildlife, expand program offerings, and add more unique places to gather.

In fact, we already have some exciting projects on the horizon. Keep an eye out at Sycamore Park, where later this summer we'll be breaking ground on an observation deck and kayak launch where guests can enjoy the East Fork River. At Wilson Nature preserve, explorers will be able to cross a suspension bridge that takes them to new trails on an island in the river. Children of all abilities will be able to enjoy a brand-new playground at Chilo Lock 34 on the Ohio River, and nature lovers can head over to Ten-Mile Creek Nature Preserve for some wildlife viewing and for a quiet hike on our recently graveled and completed trail.

Just because our master plan is over doesn't mean we don't want to hear from you! Be sure to let us know what you want to see from your parks and get outside to enjoy **MORE OUTDOORS** this spring and summer!

Josh Torbeck,
Executive Director



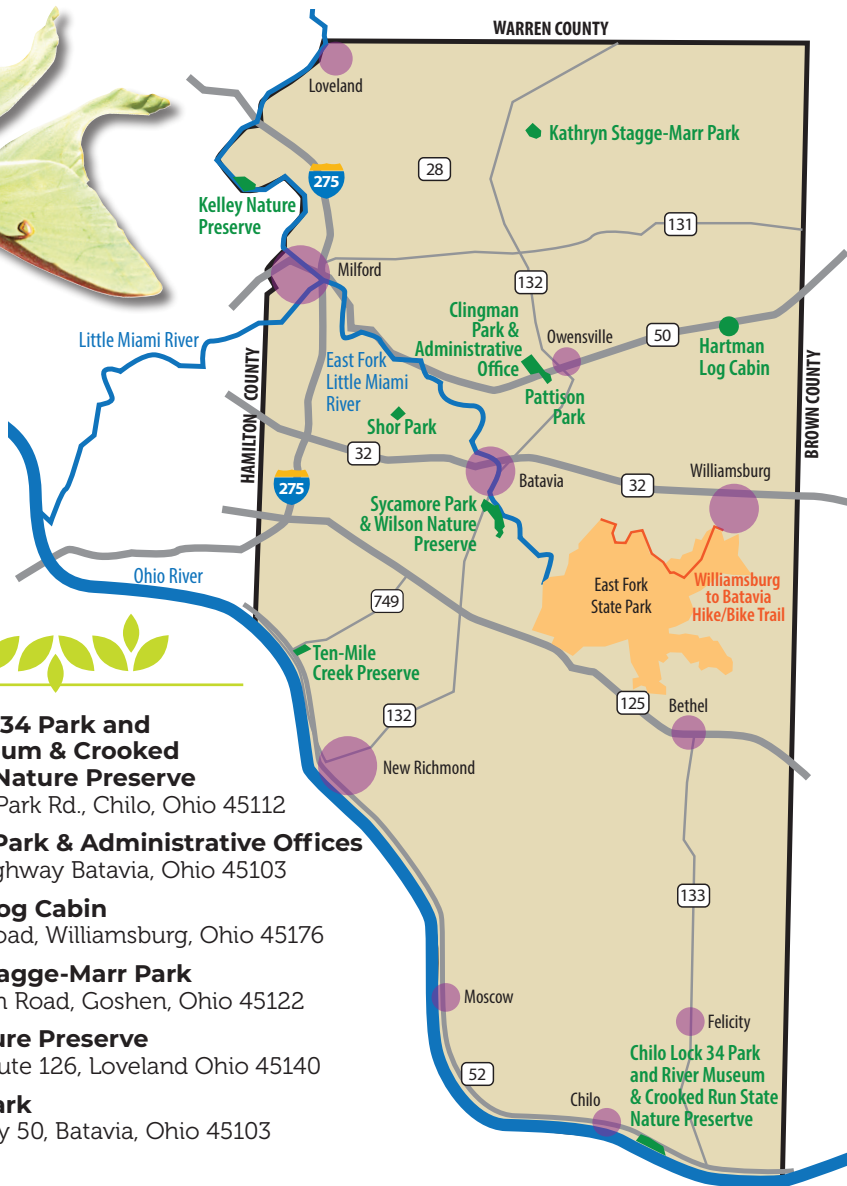
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Clermontparks.org
Park Administrative Offices
Parks open daily, dawn to dusk
513-732-2977

Chilo Lock #34 Museum and River Museum
April 20th – October 21st
Thursday, Friday and Saturdays
10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
513-876-9013

Email: parkdistrict@clermontcountyohio.gov

A large, vibrant green moth with long, thin tails on its hindwings, perched on a brown branch. The moth's wings are a bright, almost neon green, with darker green veins visible. The hindwings have two long, thin tails extending from the outer edge. The body is brown and segmented, with a small, dark, curved structure (possibly a proboscis or antenna) visible. The background is a solid, light green color.



521 County Park Rd., Chilo, Ohio 45112

2156 U.S. Highway Batavia, Ohio 45103

5372 Aber Road, Williamsburg, Ohio 45176

6662 Goshen Road, Goshen, Ohio 45122

297 State Route 126, Loveland Ohio 45140

2228 US Hwy 50, Batavia, Ohio 45103

4659 Tealtown Road, Milford, Ohio 45150

4082 State Route 132, Batavia, Ohio 45103

711 Ten-Mile Road, New Richmond, Ohio 45157

Trail Access at East Fork State Park Campground,
East Fork Wildlife Area and in Williamsburg

Get Involved!

Request a Nature Program

Do you have a group that's curious about the natural world and itchin' for some hands-on learning? Whether you reserve a personalized in-park program or request a visit to bring the parks to you, our naturalist staff can provide a memorable and interactive educational experience. Programs can be tailored to a wide variety of ages, organizations and group sizes.

Outreach Programs:

Naturalists will bring a selected program to your school or facility. Due to our small staff, outreach programs are limited per organization each year. Free programming is available to any Clermont County library or senior center of an hour or less.

Cost: \$40 per program

In-Park Programs:

Reserve a date with naturalist staff for an immersive nature experience in the parks.

Cost: \$20 for each hour of programming requested.

Special Event Planning

Gather Here!

Celebrate your milestone at a Clermont County Park. Whether it's a birthday, shower, wedding celebration, reunion or other special event we have a space for you.

Shelters \$100


Hartman Cabin \$250,
to add-on Barn \$50

Pattison Lodge

\$1,000 Friday-Saturday, and
\$800 Sunday-Thursday.

Host a Public Event:

Clermont County is happy to provide a park setting where your organization can hold a unique special event. Whether you need a small space, or prefer to reserve an entire park, we are happy to host festivals, car shows, concerts, athletic events, musical events and more.



Online Registration Available
clermontparks.org

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Forest Stewards:** Join the volunteer team helping to keep our park habitats native and healthy! Stewards help to learn about and remove invasive species, plant trees, install, care for rain gardens, prairies and more. Conservation work days will take place every 2nd Wednesday and 3rd Saturday of the month from April – October.
- **Bluebird Box Monitors:** Join our new bluebird box monitoring program! This is an independent role, and one where volunteers are able to walk our bluebird box trails to collect nesting data for our Natural Resources department.
- **Hike Leaders:** Be a guide for park guests on the trails, setting the pace and encouraging conversation. Some hike volunteers may be able to lead themed hikes based on areas of expertise.
- **Naturalist Program Assistant:** Join our naturalist team at summer camps, park nature and nature play days. Help with registering guests, nature exploration and activities, and supervision at experiential programs, such as hiking and creek play. Training provided.
- **Chilo River Museum Docent:** Do you have a passion for history and educational outreach? Volunteer to be docent at the Chilo River Museum! You'll help to greet guests and share information about the museum, in addition to assisting with onsite naturalist programs.
- **Outreach and Events Team:** Attend festivals, events and fairs to spread the good word about Clermont County Parks! If you enjoy being social and interacting with the public at events, this is the role for you! These volunteers might also help at special park days and events, such as our annual Pancake Breakfast, Fishing Derby and more.

Join us for our first Volunteer Orientation on April 15! Keep an eye out for future orientations by visiting the calendar on our website.



The Outdoors on Your Time



Hike More: Get on the trail and into nature at Sycamore Park, Wilson Nature Preserve, Crooked Run Nature Preserve, Kelley Nature Preserve, Ten-Mile Creek Nature Preserve or Pattison Park.

Observe More: Take a birding stroll at Crooked Run Nature Preserve, check out the wetlands at Shor Park or take in the riverside wildlife at Kelley Nature Preserve.



Paddle More: Launch your canoe or kayak at Kelley Nature Preserve, Sycamore Park or Chilo Lock #34.

Fish More: Cast a rod at the accessible dock at Pattison Park, on the pond at Katherine Stagge-Marr Park, on the banks of the Little Miami River at Kelley Nature Preserve or the East Fork River at Sycamore Park.



Play more: Ride your bike on the 6-mile Williamsburg to Batavia Hike Bike Trail, practice your disc golf skills at Osage Grove at Kathryn Stagge-Marr Park or bring the kids to play on one of our accessible playgrounds



Program Calendar

Visit our web calendar for the most up-to-date information and program registration links.

www.clermontparks.org



New! Get Fit Outdoors!

Join Clermont Parks and the YMCA for a free, 6-week fitness series on Thursday nights at 6 p.m. New program and parks each week, beginning on July 8.

Get limber at Sycamore Park with East Cincy Yoga on Saturdays mornings at 9 a.m. from June – August.



Visit Chilo Park this summer!

Reserve a riverside shelter, bring a youth group for a yurt stay, take a nature hike or visit river history museum. Join staff for our new Saturday nature craft programs, including fairy homes, basket weaving and more.

Museum Hours:

April 20th – October 21st,
Thur-Sat 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



Program Calendar **APRIL**

Knee-High Naturalist: Frogs and Toads

SHOR PARK

Tuesday, April 4th, 4:30 p.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month.

Homeschool Discovery Day: Wildflowers

SYCAMORE PARK

Friday, April 7th, 10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

All ages Homeschool Program

Free, register by Wednesday, April 5th.

Learn about flower structure, use a dichotomous key to identify wildflowers, and take a hike to see what grows along the trails at Sycamore Park. Best for ages 6 through 13.

Land-Owner Conservation Series: Native Planting

HARTMAN CABIN

Wednesday, April 12th, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, register by Friday, April 7th.

Learn all about the benefits and integration of native landscaping into your yard, including plant selection and care.

Nature Play Days

SYCAMORE PARK

Friday, April 14th, 1 to 3:00 p.m.

School-aged Children

Free, no registration required.

Come by for an open-ended, creative play session at the Park. We provide a variety of nature-base activities to encourage meaningful experiences in nature. Children can learn about the world together through nature exploration, science activities, outdoor skills, active games and crafts.

Spring Bird Walks

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

**Friday, April 14th, 21st, 28th,
9:00–10:00 a.m.**

Ages 12 and up

Free, no registration required.

Over 200 species of birds have been seen at Chilo Lock 34 Park and adjacent Crooked Run Nature Preserve. Join us for these morning walks during the height of migration to see what birds have arrived. Beginners and experienced birders are welcome. Bring your binoculars or borrow pair of ours. Meet at visitor center.

Volunteer Orientation

HARTMAN CABIN

Saturday, April 15th, 9 – 11:30 a.m.

Ages 14 and up

Free, register by Wednesday, April 12th.

We're looking to grow our volunteer community! Opportunities include assisting with naturalist programming, special events, stewardship and more! Orientation will give interested volunteers a chance to learn about the volunteer roles, ask questions, get their official attire and get started! A short introduction to invasive removal will be included for those that are interested. Breakfast snacks, coffee and tea will be offered.



Knee-High Naturalist: Frogs and Toads

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Tuesday, April 18th, 10 a.m. or 4:30 p.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month.

Volunteer! Spring Litter Pickup

Various Locations

Saturday, April 22nd, 9:00 a.m.–noon

All Ages

Free, register at springlittercleanup.com

Grab your gloves and join Clermont Parks at East Fork or Stonelick State Park for this annual clean up, organized by the Clermont Soil & Water Conservation District (CSWCD) and the Adams-Clermont Solid Waste District. Be a part of a community of over 300 volunteers in 2022 that removed 380 bags of trash and 71 tires out of our waterways, while enjoying the outdoors.

Morning Nature Walk

Chilo Lock 34 Park

Saturday, April 22nd, 9 a.m.

All Ages

Free, no registration required.

Take a walk with a naturalist through Crooked Run State Nature Preserve to see flowers in bloom, wildlife signs, and happenings along the river. The hike will be approximately 1.2 miles. The trails are mostly flat but not accessible. Meet in the east parking lot near the yurts.

Nature Crafts: Making Paper

Clingman Park

Sunday, April 23rd, 1:00 p.m.

All Ages

Free, register by Wednesday, April 19th. Learn how to recycle old paper into new, incorporating dried flowers and natural treasures found during a walk at the park.



Program Calendar MAY

Knee-High Naturalist: Habitats

SHOR PARK

Tuesday, May 2nd, 4:30 p.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month.

Spring Bird Walks

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Ages 12 and up

Free, no registration required.

Friday, May 5th and 12th, 9 - 10:00 a.m.

Over 200 species of birds have been seen at Chilo Lock 34 Park and adjacent Crooked Run Nature Preserve. Join us for these morning walks during the height of migration to see what birds have arrived. Beginners and experienced birders are welcome. Bring your binoculars or borrow a pair of ours. Meet at the visitor center.

Paint Like Bob Ross!

CLINGMAN PARK

Saturday, May 6th, 4 - 7:00 p.m.

Adult and Teen Program

\$40, register by Wednesday, May 3rd.

Learn to paint happy little trees, just like Bob Ross did! Bring a friend and enjoy a night of painting while enjoying this instructional class from *Yes! You Can Paint*, light bites and inspiration from our beautiful park scenery.

Land-Owner Conservation Series: Stormwater Management

4-H BUILDING AT THE CLERMONT COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Wednesday, May 10th, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, register by Friday, May 5th.

Learn why managing stormwater and the pollutants it carries will be beneficial to your property, including decreased flooding and erosion. Featuring staff from Clermont County Soil and Water.

Nature Play Days

SYCAMORE PARK

Friday, May 12th, 1 to 3:00 p.m.

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

Come by for an open-ended, creative play session at the Park. We provide a variety of nature-base activities to encourage meaningful experiences in nature. Children can learn about the world together through nature exploration, science activities, outdoor skills, active games and crafts.

Matt Maupin Memorial Fishing Derby for Kids

PATTISON PARK LAKESIDE

Saturday, May 13th, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Children's Event

Free, no registration required.

Bring a fishing pole and join us for a day of fishing and fun presented by the Clermont County Park District and the East Fork Bass Anglers. Fishing contests are from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and are intended for ages 15 and under. Prizes will be awarded for biggest fish, smallest fish and most weight. We will provide loaner equipment and bait provided on a first come, first serve basis. Registration onsite beginning at 10 a.m.

History Walking Tour

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, May 13th, 2:00 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, no registration required.

Come take a guided tour of the Ohio River Museum at Chilo Lock 34 Park! Connect with this unique facility, see how the river has changed, and learn about the history of living and working on the Ohio River.

Back to Nature: Animal Folklore

KELLEY NATURE PRESERVE

Saturday, May 13th, 3:00 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, no registration required.

Learn about the wildlife that has lived in Ohio's past and present, as

we interact with live animals, discuss biofacts, and walk through the forest. We'll also dive into topics surrounding traditional beliefs, customs, and stories surrounding these animals.

Budding Birders

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Sunday, May 14th, 9:30 a.m.

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

Birding, or bird watching, is a wonderful way to get kids outside to learn and have fun! We'll listen for bird calls, use binoculars to see birds up close, and feel feathers during a bird scavenger at the park.

Critter Feeding

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, May 14th, 3:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Stop by to see our cold-blooded critters eat their lunch and maybe YOU can help feed one of them! Learn the unique stories of how they live and find out what local wildlife are doing this time of year. Select Sundays, we'll have guest animals from local wildlife rehabilitators.

Knee-High Naturalist: Habitats

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Thursday, May 18th, 10:00 a.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month. Followed by a nature play session if attendees are interested.

Trail Encounter Tuesdays:

Predators versus Prey

NISBET PARK

Tuesday, May 23th, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

What makes a coyote or owl a good hunter? How do rabbits and mice avoiding being caught? Drop by any time between 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. to meet some live Ohio animals, examine natural artifacts, and learn about the features that help our local wildlife survive.

Nature Nights: Bats

KATHRYN STAGGE-MARR PARK

Wednesday, May 24th, 8:30 – 10:00 p.m.

Ages 12 and up

Free, no registration required.

Enjoy nature in a different way by exploring the sights and sounds of nightfall. This month, we will meet a live bat then take a hike to look and listen for bats along the trail. We will use a bat detector to hear bats calling in frequencies that are too high for our ears to detect.

Homeschool Discovery Day:

Baby Animals

SYCAMORE PARK

Friday, May 26th, 10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Children's Program

Free, register by May 24th.

Explore the similarities and differences between animal babies and their parents. We will meet a few live animals, explore the park to look for young animal habitats, and delve into their differences through hand-on activities.

Morning Nature Walk

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, May 27th, 9:00 a.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Take a walk with the naturalist through Crooked Run State Nature Preserve to see flowers in bloom, wildlife signs, and happenings along the river. The hike will be approximately 1.2 miles. The trails are mostly flat but not accessible. Meet in the east parking lot at Chilo Lock 34 Park near the yurts.

Nature Crafts: Nature Paints

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, May 28th, 1:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, register by May 24th.

Create pigments from natural materials, forage for plants that can be used for pigment, and create artwork using the paints you make. We will also learn how plants use these pigments in nature.

Program Calendar JUNE

Nature Play Days

SYCAMORE PARK

Friday, June 2nd & 16th, 1 to 3:00 p.m

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

Come by for an open-ended, creative play session at the Park. We provide a variety of nature-base activities to encourage meaningful experiences in nature. Children can learn about the world together through nature exploration, science activities, outdoor skills, active games and crafts.

Yoga in the Park

SYCAMORE PARK

Saturday, June 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th, 9 - 10:00 a.m.

Adult and Teen Program

Free, no registration required.

Let your stresses wash away and enjoy the healing power of nature during yoga sessions at Sycamore Park every Saturday, June through August. Wake up to gentle yoga that allows beginners to learn new poses while even the most advanced can strengthen their poses. Guided by certified yoga instructors from East Cincy Yoga. Please bring a blanket, yoga mat, and water.

Back to Nature: Mindfulness Walk

SYCAMORE PARK

Saturday, June 3rd, 10:30 a.m.

Adult Program

Free, no registration required.

Join us to learn how being immersed in nature can benefit your health and wellbeing. We will practice focusing on the present moment, using the scents and sounds of nature, while walking through natural spaces at the park.

Volunteer: National Trails Day

PARK DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS,
CLINGMAN PARK

Saturday, June 3rd, 9:00 a.m. - noon

Ages 14 and up

Free, register by Wednesday, May 31st.

Be a part of our trail-building team!

Learn best practices on building and maintaining trails while helping us to grow our trail system. We'll be clearing out invasives and cutting in the initial path in the woods behind our administrative offices. Afterwards, join us for a complementary grill out to thank you for your hard work!

Be sure to bring gloves and a water bottle. Pants and closed-toed shoes are recommended.

Knee-High Naturalist: Bugs

SHOR PARK

Tuesday, June 6th, 4:30 p.m.

Pre-school program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month.





Nature Sleuths Summer Camp

SYCAMORE PARK

June 7th - 9th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ages 10 - 12

\$35, Register by June 2nd.

Campers will become nature detectives as they explore the forest and other habitats at Sycamore Park with Clermont County naturalists. Each day will bring new adventures as we explore and learn!

History Walking Tour

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, June 10th, 2:00 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, no registration required.

Come take a guided tour of the Ohio River Museum at Chilo Lock 34 Park! Connect with this unique facility, see how the river has changed, and learn about the history of living and working on the Ohio River.

Budding Birders

KELLEY NATURE PRESERVE

Sunday, June 11th, 9:30 a.m.

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

Birding, or bird watching, is a wonderful way to get kids outside to learn and have fun! We'll listen for bird calls, use binoculars to see birds up close, and feel feathers during a bird scavenger at the park.

Critter Feeding

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, June 11th, 3:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Stop by to see our cold-blooded critters eat their lunch and maybe YOU can help feed one of them! Learn the unique stories of how they live and find out what local wildlife are doing this time of year. Some Sundays, we'll have guest animals from local wildlife rehabilitators.

Night Out at the Park: Reptiles & Amphibians

SHOR PARK

Tuesday, June 13th, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, register by Monday, June 12th.

The Dreamweavers Storytelling Troupe will kick off the evening with reptile and amphibian stories. Guests are welcome to bring a picnic dinner to eat during the performance. After, naturalists will introduce you to live reptiles and amphibians native to Ohio and take you on a 30-minute wetlands hike.

Land-Owner Conservation Series: Invasive Plant Removal

PATTISON PARK

Wednesday, June 14th, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Free, register by Friday, June 9th.

Be an invasive plant expert! Learn to identify and remove the plants that take over native habitats on your property.

Program Calendar JUNE

Knee-High Naturalist: Bugs

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Thursday, June 15th, 10:00 a.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month. Followed by a nature play session if attendees are interested.

Nature Nights: Fireflies

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Thursday, June 22nd, 9:30 – 11:30 p.m.

Ages 12 and up

Free, no registration required.

Enjoy nature in a different way by exploring the sights and sounds of nightfall. This month, watch a living fireworks show at the park! Chilo Lock 34 Park has a spectacular view of fireflies like Chinese Lanterns, Bush Babies, Christmas Lights, and Big Dippers.

Trail Encounter Tuesdays:

Finding Fossils

NISBET PARK

Tuesday, June 20th, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Did you know that Cincinnati is famous for the fossil history? Drop by any time between 3:30 and 5:00 p.m. to learn about the ancient creatures that lived in Clermont County and search for some along O'Bannon Creek. You will even get a fossil to take home!

Ladies Day Out at the Parks

SYCAMORE PARK

Saturday, June 24th, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Adult Program

\$30, Register by Wednesday, June 23rd.

Did you know that many of Clermont Parks were established, built and grew over the years because of the women in the community? Join us for a day for the ladies; including yoga, hikes, mimosas with Pour Mobile bar, and a giant charcuterie board!



Morning Nature Walk

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, June 24th, 9:00 a.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Take a walk with the naturalist through Crooked Run State Nature Preserve to see flowers in bloom, wildlife signs, and happenings along the river. The hike will be approximately 1.2 miles. The trails are mostly flat but not accessible. Meet in the east parking lot near the yurts.

Nature Crafts: Basket Weaving

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, June 25th, 1:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, register by Wednesday, June 21st.

Learn which plants are most commonly used in basket weaving, then try your hand at this ancient craft form by making your own basket from natural materials!

Jr. Naturalists Summer Camp

SYCAMORE PARK

Wednesday, June 28th - Friday, June 30th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 9

\$35, register by Friday, June 23rd.

Junior Naturalists will discover local wildlife, habitats, water, and much more! Campers will play games and do hands-on activities to learn about nature.



Program Calendar JULY

Yoga in the Park

SYCAMORE PARK

Saturday, July 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th, 9:00 a.m.

Adult and Teen Program

Free, no registration required.

Let your stresses wash away and enjoy the healing power of nature during yoga sessions at Sycamore Park Saturdays, June through August. Wake up to gentle Yoga that allows beginners to learn new poses while even the most advanced can strengthen their poses. Guided by certified yoga instructors from East Cincy Yoga. Please bring a blanket, yoga mat, and water.

Back to Nature: Nearby Butterflies

SHOR PARK

Saturday, July 1st, 1:00 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, no registration required.

More than 140 different kinds of butterflies have been seen in Ohio.

We will look for monarch, swallowtails, and many more at Shor Park while we explore the intriguing world of Butterflies. We will also learn about adaptations butterflies use to avoid being eaten and how to attract more to your yard.

Nature Play Days

SYCAMORE PARK

Friday, July 7th and 21st, 1 - 3:00 p.m.

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

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History Walking Tour

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, July 8th, 2:00 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, no registration required.

Take a guided tour of the Ohio River Museum at Chilo Lock 34 Park! Connect with this unique facility, see how the river has changed, and learn about the history of living and working on the Ohio River.

Budding Birders

SHOR PARK

Sunday, July 9th, 9:30 a.m.

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

Birding, or bird watching, is a wonderful way to get kids outside to learn and have fun! We'll listen for bird calls, use binoculars to see birds up close, and feel feathers during a bird scavenger at the park.

Critter Feeding

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, July 9th, 3:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Stop by to see our cold-blooded critters eat their lunch and maybe YOU can help feed one of them! Learn the unique stories of how they live and find out what local wildlife are doing this time of year. Some Sundays, we'll have guest animals from local wildlife rehabilitators.



Night Out at the Park: Down by the River

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Tuesday, July 11th, 7 to 9:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, register by Monday, July 10th.

The Dreamweavers Storytelling Troupe

will kick off the evening with river

stories told around a campfire. Guests

are welcome to bring a picnic dinner

to eat during the performance. After,

naturalists will take you on a 1-hour,

level-ground hike to look for river

creatures and evidence of beavers.

Following the hike, there will be time to

enjoy s'mores around the campfire.

Land-Owner Conservation Series: Invasive Insects

SYCAMORE PARK

Wednesday, July 12th, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Free, register by Friday, July 7.

Learn how to identify and protect

against invasive insects, such as the

Asian Longhorned Beetle and Emerald

Ash Borer, which have the potential to

destroy our forests.

Trail Encounter Tuesdays: Scaly or Slimy?

NISBET PARK

Tuesday, July 18th, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Frogs don't have scales and snakes

aren't slimy at all. Drop by anytime

between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. to meet our

cold-blooded critters and explore the

features of reptiles and amphibians!

Knee-High Naturalist: Water Play

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Thursday, July 20th, 10:00 a.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with

your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a

book, make a craft, and have a mini

adventure exploring a different topic

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session if attendees are interested.

Morning Nature Walk

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

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Crooked Run State Nature Preserve to

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happenings along the river. The hike

will be approximately 1.2 miles. The

trails are mostly flat but not accessible.

Meet in the east parking lot at Chilo

Lock 34 Park near the yurts.

Thornageddon 9 Disc Golf Tournament

KATHRYN STAGGE-MARR PARK

Sunday, July 23rd, 9:00 a.m.

Adult and teen program

Attention all disc golf enthusiasts! Get

ready for this exciting disc golf singles

tournament, presented by the Greater

Cincinnati Disc Golf Association. Osage

Grove is a challenging course with a

variety of terrains that will provide a

great test for all players. Keep an eye

on the calendar for links to this popular

disc golf tournament.

Nature Crafts: Fairy Homes

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, July 23rd, 1:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, register by Wednesday, July 19th.

Join us to create a magical fairy land!

Scavenge for your own natural items or

use our collection to create your own a

tiny abode to take home.

Nature Nights: Nocturnal Animals

KELLEY NATURE PRESERVE

Wednesday, July 26th, 8:30 – 10 p.m.

Ages 12 and up

Free, no registration required.

Enjoy nature in a different way by

exploring the sights and sounds of

nightfall. Take a hike through the forest

to discover how animals use their

senses at night and see what animals

we can find!

Program Calendar **AUGUST**

Knee-High Naturalist: Wildflowers

SHOR PARK

Tuesday, August 1st, 4:30 p.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month.

Nature Play Days

SYCAMORE PARK

Friday, August 4th and

Friday, 18th, 1-3:00 p.m

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

Come by for an open-ended, creative play session at the Park. We provide a variety of nature-base activities to encourage meaningful experiences in nature. Children can learn about the world together through nature exploration, science activities, outdoor skills, active games and crafts.

Yoga in the Park

SYCAMORE PARK

Saturdays August 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th, 9:00 a.m.

Adult and Teen Program

Free, no registration required.

Let your stresses wash away and enjoy the healing power of nature during yoga sessions at Sycamore Park every Saturday, June through August. Wake up to gentle Yoga that allows beginners to learn new poses while even the most advanced can strengthen their poses. Guided by certified yoga instructors from East Cincy Yoga. Please bring a blanket, yoga mat, and water.

Back to Nature: Canoe Adventure

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, August 5th, 10:00 a.m.

Adult Program

Free, register by Friday, August 4th.

Join Naturalists for a guided canoe trip along the Ohio River and through the waters of Crooked Run Nature Preserve. Enjoy the scenery as we search for beaver, wood ducks, turtles, and other aquatic wildlife. Participants should be prepared to get out of canoes, if needed and walk through shallow waters.

Night Out at the Park: Birds

SHOR PARK

Tuesday, August 8th, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, register by Monday, August 7th
The Dreamweavers Storytelling Troupe will kick off the evening with stories about birds. Guest are welcome to bring a picnic dinner to eat during the performance. After, we'll rotate through a variety of fun, bird-themed activities, including a 30-minute hike where you'll get to use binoculars to search for birds.

Land-Owner Conservation Series: Identifying Common Tree Issues

PATTISON LODGE

Wednesday, August 9th, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, register by Friday, August 4th.

Join Billy Aszman from Davey Tree Service and staff from Clermont Parks as we discuss common tree problems on your property, how to identify them and when they need to be addressed.



Nature Nights: Perseid Meteor Shower

CLINGMAN PARK

Friday, August 11th, 9:30 p.m. – midnight

Ages 12 and up

Free, no registration required.

Enjoy the outdoors by the light of the moon, as we explore the sights and sounds of the parks at nightfall. We will view the night sky near the peak of the Perseid Meteor Shower and gaze up at the stars to learn their stories.

History Walking Tour

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, August 12th, 2:00 p.m.

Adult Program

Free, no registration required.

Come and take a guided tour of the Ohio River Museum at Chilo Lock 34 Park! Connect with this unique facility, see how the river has changed, and learn about the history of living and working on the Ohio River.

Budding Birders

SYCAMORE PARK

Sunday, August 13th, 9:30 a.m.

Children's Program

Free, no registration required.

Birding, or bird watching, is a wonderful way to get kids outside to learn and have fun! We'll listen for bird calls, use binoculars to see birds up close, and feel feathers during a bird scavenger at the park.

Critter Feeding

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, August 13th, 3:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Stop by to see our cold-blooded critters eat their lunch and maybe YOU can help feed one of them! Learn the unique stories of how they live and find out what local wildlife are doing this time of year. Some Sundays, we'll have guest animals from local wildlife rehabilitators.

Trail Encounter Tuesdays: Water, Water Everywhere

NISBET PARK

Tuesday, August 15th, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

How can you tell if a creek, river or pond is clean? Stop by between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. to investigate water. Learn how the water cycle works, find critters that live in the river, and try your hand at testing water quality.

Knee-High Naturalist: Wildflowers

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Thursday, August 17th, 10 a.m.

Pre-school Program

Free, no registration required.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring a different topic each month. Followed by a nature play session if attendees are interested.

Morning Nature Walk

CHILO LOCK 34 PARK

Saturday, August 26th, 9:00 a.m.

All ages welcome

Free, no registration required.

Take a walk with a naturalist through Crooked Run State Nature Preserve to see flowers in bloom, wildlife signs, and happenings along the river. The hike will be approximately 1.2 miles. The trails are mostly flat but not accessible. Meet in the east parking lot at Chilo Lock 34 Park near the yurts.

Nature Crafts: Scent Sachets

CLINGMAN PARK

Sunday, August 27th, 1:00 p.m.

All ages welcome

Free, register by Wednesday, August 23rd. Take a hike with a naturalist to collect plant materials with different alluring scents while learning why plants have such a variety of smells. Choose which scents go together and make different scent sachets to use as air fresheners at your home.



Proudly Clermont

With parks, nature preserves and recreation spaces encompassing over 1,000 acres, Clermont County is proud to provide a place for everyone to experience the outdoors. Whether you enjoy activities like hiking on trails, taking a ride on the Williamsburg to Batavia Hike and Bike Trail, launching your kayak onto the adjacent Little Miami, East Fork or Ohio Rivers or more peaceful pursuits like fishing or hanging in a hammock, you can take in Clermont Parks at your pace. Preserving greenspaces and natural resources is also valuable to us. By investing time and resources, and engaging in collaborative community efforts, we'll continue to protect wildlife, while we carefully expand and share unique places of local scenic, recreational and historic value with our community.

The land is our foundation and legacy, an asset that enhances the quality of life in Clermont County, that we'll continue to grow, value, nurture and protect for generations to come.



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