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Celebrate Hummingbirds at Woodlands Nature Station



Woodlands Nature Station celebrates the migration of hummingbirds during the annual Hummingbird Festival, scheduled for August 3 and 4, 2019, inside Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area. Photo credit: Robert Smith

This weekend marks the beginning of the great hummingbird migration through Land Between the Lakes! The Friends of Land Between the Lakes invites you to join us for our 24th annual Hummingbird Festival, 10 am – 5 pm on Saturday, August 3 and Sunday, August 4, at the Woodlands Nature Station inside Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, 3146 Silver Trail Road, Cadiz, Kentucky, 42211. Special admission price is \$7 for ages 13 and up, \$5 for ages 5 – 12 and free for ages 4 and under.

If you love hummingbirds, this is the event for you. August brings hundreds of hummingbirds to the Woodlands Nature Station as they migrate south to Central America. You can see as many as 200 in a single day. Join us to celebrate this natural spectacle and watch these backyard beauties as they buzz around the native gardens, fueling up for the next leg of their long journey.

Special programming includes: Friday, August 2 6 – 8 pm Dinner with the Hummingbirds, reservation required, \$25 a person, 270.924.2020

Saturday, August 3 10 am – 4:30 pm Hummingbird Banding and Release Demonstrations with Licensed Banders Brainard Palmer-Ball Jr. and Mark Monroe
10:30 am – Hummingbird Photo Contest 2018 Winners Ceremony
11 am – Five Easy Steps to Attract Hummingbirds
12 pm – The Buzz on Beekeeping with Scott Sutton from the Houston-Stewart County
Beekeepers Association
1 pm – Rest Stops for the Ruby-Throats: Landscaping for Migrating Birds and Butterflies with Botanist Alicia Bosela, owner of Ironweed Native Plant Nursery
2 pm – Attracting Bluebirds with Bob Peak from the North American Bluebird Society
3 pm – Protecting Our Water: Rain Gardens and Rain Barrels with Maggie Morgan from the Jackson Purchase Foundation
4:30 pm – Parade of Raptors
Sunday, August 4
10 am – 4:30 pm Hummingbird Banding and Release Demonstrations with Licensed Banders Brainard Palmer-Ball Jr. and Mark Monroe
11 am – Attracting Wildlife to Your Backyard

12 pm – Helping Migrating Monarch Butterflies

1 pm – Attracting Bluebirds with Bob Peak from the North American Bluebird Society

- 2 pm The Buzz on Native Bee Gardening
- 3 pm Attracting Purple Martins
- 4:30 pm Parade of Raptors

Ongoing activities include: Hummingbird Photo Gallery Hummingbird Gift Shop Kids' Crafts and Games Garden Craftsmen and Artists Attracting Bluebirds Backyard Unhuggables – Live Animals Rain Garden/Rain Barrel Demonstrations Attracting Native Bees Monarch Magic Benefits of Bats Beekeeping Basics Native Plant Sale

Make a day of it! Bring a picnic or stop by our onsite food vendor.

For more information, call 270.924.2299 or visit www.landbetweenthelakes.us.

Fourth grade students can go to <u>https://everykidinapark.gov/</u>, get their free Every Kid in a Park pass, and get their family in for free. For more information, call the Nature Station at 270.924.2299.

About the Friends of Land Between the Lakes





The Land Between The Lakes Association (Friends of Land Between the Lakes) is the non-profit partner of the Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, USDA Forest Service. Its mission is to work with public and private stakeholders to educate, improve, promote, conserve and provide stewardship for the Land Between the Lakes (LBL) National Recreation Area. More information is available at <u>www.friendsoflbl.org</u>. It is supported through business and personal memberships, gift shop sales and other contributions.