

Friends with Feathers, May 5 8am to 10am, Area 5:

Join **Rita Flores Wiskowski**, **Betsy Abert** and fellow birders to witness spring migration along our lakefront flyway. Wear footwear suitable for paved and unpaved trails. Binoculars are recommended. There will be a few Binoculars to share. All skill levels are welcome. Rain will cancel.

Wildflowers, May 19 10am to noon, Area 5:

Park Naturalist **Brooke Gilley** and attendees will hike to celebrate the return of spring wildflowers. Bring a field guide to add to discoveries. Don't forget "Wild about Wildflowers" scavenger hunt will be available to young hikers.

Urban Wildlife, June 2 10am to noon, Area 5:

Join DNR Milwaukee Wildlife Educator **Jessica Knackert** for a guided hike about the joys and struggles of living with urban wildlife. Learn how urban wildlife supports our green spaces, tips for coexisting with wildlife, and how to help animals in need.

Invasive Species, Saturday, June 15 10am to noon, 7 Bridges entrance:

Meet Larry Leitner, Ph.D, former principle biologist for SE WI Regional Planning Commission now working for SE WI Invasive Species Consortium. Learn about invasive species and the work Friends of Grant Park is tackling in the park.

Walk Through Wil-o-Way, June 30 10am to Noon, Wil-o-Way facility gardens:

Join local UWM Master Gardeners **Chris Marifke**, **Susan Gresser**, and **Cyndy Allen** for a tour of Wil-o-Way garden, greenhouse, and surrounding area.

Watersheds and Water Quality, July 14 10am to noon, Area 7 playground:

Join Milwaukee Riverkeepers Program Manager **Leah Holloway** to follow the journey of a drop of water as it flows through Grant Park into Lake Michigan. We'll also discuss overall regional water quality, and how we can all contribute to the health of our waterways.

Dragonflies & Damselflies, July 28 1pm to 3pm, Mill Pond:

Join Naturalist **Jamie Schiesel** to observe the life and ways of dragonflies and damselflies, the aerial predators of the insect world.

Tree-mendous Love for Trees, August 11 10am to Noon, Area 5:

Join **Brian Morrison**, Wisconsin Master Naturalist with a degree in horticulture and and a minor in biology, caretaker at Virmond Park in Ozaukee County as we discover how trees communicate, how photosynthesis works on a biological level and how to identify native trees of Grant Park.

Astronomy, August 25 8pm to 9pm, Wil-O-Way:

Enjoy viewing the wonders of night's starry, starry sky with **Dean Chapman**.

Seven Bridges History, September 8 10am to Noon, 7 Bridges Entrance:

And finally, walk through the Seven Bridges area with local historian **Nels Monson** as we learn about the creation and development of Grant Park's most beautiful feature and the man who brought it all about. We'll walk over uneven paths and stairways, so wear comfortable hiking shoes.





