



Announcing 2024 West Central Indiana Master Naturalist Workshop

(Class size is limited and no previous naturalist experience is required)

1)Thursday, March 21

Introduction to IMN Program.....1:00-2:00.....Clinton Public Library.....Phil Cox, Purdue Ext. Educator, Vermillion Co.
313 S. 4th St., Clinton, IN

Reporting Volunteer Hours.....2:00-2:30.....Susan Page, Director, 3D Nature Technologies, Inc.

Volunteer Opportunities.....2:30-3:00.....Curt DeBaun, President, Friends of Turkey Run & Shades State Parks

Cranes Over Indiana.....3:00-4:00.....Lauren Benedict, Outreach Biologist Assistant, International Crane Foundation

2)Thursday, March 28

Rachel Carson & the Wonder of Nature1:00-2:30.....Turkey Run SP Nature Center*.....Frederick Davis, Prof. & Head, Purdue History Dept.
8121 E. Park Rd., Marshall, IN

How to Not Become a Lost/Stranded Hiker...2:30-4:00.....Tracy Alderson, Advanced Indiana Master Naturalist

3)Thursday, April 4

Indiana’s Geology/Soils.....1:00-2:30.....Turkey Run SP Nature Center*....Henry Loope, Research Glacial Geologist, Indiana U.

Turkey Run State Park Geology & Hike.....2:30-4:00.....Jenny Fansler, Interpretive Naturalist, Turkey Run & Shades State Parks

4)Thursday, April 11

Indiana’s Subterranean Biota.....1:00-2:30..... Dobbs Park Nature Center..... Jerry Lewis, Lewis & Assoc. Biological Consulting
5170 E. Poplar St., Terre Haute, IN

Creating a New Generation of Bat Advocates.2:30-4:00.....Brad Westrich, State Mammologist, Indiana Dept. of Natural Resources

5)Thursday, April 18

Wildlife of Indiana Forests.....1:00-2:00.....Turkey Run SP Nature Center*.....Lenny Farlee, Extension Forester, Purdue U.

Forestry for the Birds & Hike.....2:00-4:00.....Jessica Outcalt, Purdue Ext. Educator, Cass Co.

6)Thursday, April 25

Magnificent Trees of Indiana.....1:00-2:30.....Dobbs Park Nature Center.....Carroll Ritter, Author/Teacher (ret.)

Oaks in Indiana.....2:30-4:00.....Ron Rathfon, Extension Forester, Purdue U.

7)Thursday, May 2

Freshwater Mussel Conservation.....1:00-2:30.....Turkey Run SP Nature Center*.....Brant Fisher, Nongame Aquatic Biologist, IDNR

Indiana Wetlands & Fish Shocking Demo.....2:30-4:00.....Cameron Yeakle & Kayla Werbianskyj, IN Dept. of Environmental Management

8)Thursday, May 9

Indiana’s Natural Landscape 1816 & Today.....1:00-2:00.....Turkey Run SP Nature Center*.....Mike Homoya, State Botanist (ret.),IDNR

Spring Wildflowers & Hike.....2:00-4:00.....Phil Cox, Purdue Ext. Educator, Vermillion Co.

9)Thursday, May 16

Patterns of Nature at F.L. Wright’s Samara.....1:00-3:00.....Turkey Run SP Nature Center*.....Nathan Allaire, Curator, Samara House

Meet an Indiana Conservation Officer.....3:00-4:00.....Jonah Mikel, Div. of Law Enforcement, IDNR

10)Thursday, May 23

Workshop Wrap-up, Quiz & Graduation.....1:00-4:00?.....Clinton Public Library.....Phil Cox, Purdue Ext. Educator, Vermillion Co.

I wish to enroll for the 2024 West Central Indiana Master Naturalist Program

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____ E-Mail: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____

Return this completed form by March 14, 2024 along with a check in the amount of \$60.00/person or \$100/couple (sharing materials including *Habitats & Ecological Communities of Indiana: Presettlement to Present* (2012)) made payable to **“CES Ed Fund Vermillion County” and mail to:**

Vermillion Co. Extension, ATTN: Phil Cox, 703 W. Park St., Cayuga, IN 47928. Questions? Contact: Phil Cox at 765-492-5330

(cox119@purdue.edu). For IMN Program details see: www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/6321.htm

***Turkey Run State Park entry fee is required, i.e. \$7 per in-state vehicle or 2024 Indiana State Park Pass.**