

SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				New Guide Orientation 6-8pm (August 24 th)	1	2 Trees, Trails & More! Orientation to the Arboretum. 9:30am-noon
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10	11	12 Teachable Moments & Working with Kids 9:30am-Noon	13	14 Animals and Plants Preparing for Winter 9:30am-Noon	15	16 Animals and Plants Preparing for Winter 9:30-Noon
17	18 Teachable Moments & Working with Kids 9:30am-Noon	19	20 Restoring Connections 9am-Noon	21	22 Fall Ecology (makeup session) 9:30am-Noon	23 Restoring Connections 9am-Noon
24	25 Fall Discovery Tours Begin!	26	27	28	29	30 Fall Ecology (makeup session) 9:30am-Noon



Mount Pisgah Arboretum Nature Guide Training Fall 2017

Nature Guide Training Sessions: The required training sessions for New Nature Guides cover the natural history of the Arboretum, how to teach kids about nature, and strategies for leading a successful tour. Each session is offered twice, once on a weekend and once during the week, to accommodate the busy schedules of our volunteers. **Only one of each session is required.** Sessions may be rescheduled if enough volunteers are unable to attend. Please let us know if you cannot attend a particular session- education@mountpisgaharboretum.org

Training Session Descriptions:

New Guide Orientation

Learn about the Arboretum's Nature Guide Program! See a slide show of the program describing its history, who participates, what's the commitment, and how you can join our guide team.
Thur. August 24, 6-8pm

Trees, Trails, and More!-- for New Guides

Time to get oriented! Become familiar with the Arboretum trails system and facilities. Learn the 6 major trees species in the Willamette Valley and begin to explore the world of interpreting nature for kids.

Saturday, Sept. 2, 9:30am-Noon OR

Thursday, Sept. 7, 9:30-Noon

Changing Seasons (Leaves and Decomposers)

Nothing signals fall like leaves changing colors and dropping. Why do some plants lose their leaves while others stay through the winter? What happens to leaves after they fall to the ground? Focus on how to explain key seasonal changes to students.

Friday, Sept. 8, 9:30am-Noon OR

Saturday, Sept. 9, 9:30am-Noon

Teachable Moments & Working with Kids

Learn how to make your tour both fun and educational for young students! Explore effective teaching techniques, and strategies for working with the most challenging children.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 9:30am-Noon OR

Monday, Sept. 18, 9:30am-Noon

Animals and Plants Preparing for Winter

Get familiar with the most common animals at Mt. Pisgah and discover the adaptations and strategies animals and plants use to survive the colder days ahead. Check out the travelers of the plant world- seeds- and learn how climate change is shifting some winter adaptations.

Thursday Sept. 14, 9:30am-Noon OR

Saturday, Sept. 16, 9:30am-Noon

Restoring Connections- Fall

Learn how to lead a Restoring Connections fall walk. In this program the same students return to the Arboretum 3 times a year Kinder-5th grade to explore and focus on different habitat types.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9am-Noon OR

Saturday, Sept. 23, 9am-Noon

Shadowing Tours

New nature guides need to shadow a minimum of one tour during the first week of the program (most do two). We will match you up with our experienced guides, who are happy to share their "tricks of the trade!"

Optional Walks:

Fall Ecology (makeup sessions)

These are makeup sessions for those who missed trainings. They will only happen if needed.

Thursday, Sept. 22, 9:30am-Noon

Saturday, Sept. 30, 9:30am-Noon

TRAINING LOCATION:

Mount Pisgah Arboretum: 34901 Frank Parrish Rd. Eugene. Meet at the Education Building (the small house at the bottom of main parking lot). Follow 30th Avenue east, over the I5 freeway. Follow the brown and white signs to the park.