

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11	12	13	14	15 New Guide Orientation 6-8pm	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Habitat Hunt 9-11:30am
25	26 SPRING BREAK WEEK	27 Tree Talk 9-11:30am	28 Teachable Moments 9-11am	29	30	31

APRIL

1	2	3 Teachable Moments Noon-2pm	4	5 Habitat Hunt 9-11:30am	6	7 Tree Talk 9-11:30am Life Cycles Noon-2:30pm
8	9	10	11 Life Cycles 9-11:30am	12	13 Wet & Wild 9am-Noon	14 Wet & Wild 9am-Noon
15	16 Stalking the Wild Camas 9am-Noon	17 <i>Spring Discovery Tours Begin!</i>	18	19	20	21 Stalking the Wild Camas 9am-Noon

Mount Pisgah Arboretum Nature Guide Training Spring 2018

Nature Guide Training Sessions: The required training sessions for New Nature Guides covers the natural history of the Arboretum, techniques for teaching kids about nature, and strategies for leading a successful tour. To accommodate the busy schedules of our volunteers, each session is offered twice. 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:

Habitat Hunt

Explore the habitats of the most common plants and animals living in the Arboretum and learn what adaptations are essential for their survival. This tour, for 2nd graders, develops an awareness and appreciation of the amazing diversity of life around us!

Sat. March 24 **OR**, Thurs. April 5, 9-11:30am

Tree Talk

Learn all about trees- what makes a plant a tree, how trees grow and survive, and how the parts of trees work. Start to get familiar with native plants while learning the six major trees species in the Willamette Valley.

Tues. March 27 **OR**, Sat. April 7, 9-11:30am

Teachable Moments & Working with Kids

Learn how to make your tour both fun and educational for young students! Explore effective teaching and group management techniques, and learn to identify teachable moments that will reconnect them to nature.

Thur. April 6 9-11am **OR**, Sat. April 8, Noon-2pm

Life Cycles

Explore the fascinating life cycles of turtles, frogs, bees, gall wasps, trees, and more. This tour, for 1st graders, develops an understanding of the stages of life that organisms pass through from birth to death.

Sat. April 7, Noon-2:30pm **OR**,

Wed. April 11, 9-11:30am

Wet & Wild!

Investigate our pond, river and stream to see who lives there and how they survive. On this hike, 4th grade students learn about the special adaptations plants and animals have for living in a watery world. They also explore the interaction between land and water and the impact of human activities on a watershed.

Fri. April 13 **OR**, Sat. April 14, 9am-Noon

Stalking the Wild Camas

Learn about our 5th grade Ethnobotany Program. Go more in depth about native plants, their historical uses by different peoples, and how to make learning about plants fun for kids! This program is run in the form of a quest.

Mon. April 16 **OR**, Sat. April 21, 9am-Noon

Bird Walk (optional)

In this walk just for Nature Guides, we will be focusing on the birds that make the Arboretum their home. Learn to ID the most common birds you're likely to see with groups and discover some fun kid facts about each.

Date- TBD

Shadowing Tours

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

LOCATION FOR TRAININGS:

Mount Pisgah Arboretum: 34901 Frank Parrish Rd. Eugene. All trainings meet at the Education Building- the small house down at the bottom of the main parking lot. We will provide you with a parking pass.