

Nature Fest 2021 Schedule & Locations

Schedule

| | Monday, April 5 | Tuesday, April 6 | Wednesday, April 7 | Thursday, April 8 | Friday, April 9 |
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| 9:00 | - Short Loop (50 min) - Birding (1 hr) | - Birding (1 hr) | - Short Loop (50 min) - Birding (1 hr) | Birding (1 hr) | - Short Loop (50 min) - Birding (1 hr) |
| 9:30 | | Short Loop (45 min) | | Short Loop (45 min) | |
| 10:00 | Milkweeds & Monarchs (1.5 hours) | | | | Milkweeds & Monarchs (1.5 hours) |
| 10:30 | | | OES Coffee & Community (30 min) | | |
| 11:00 | Short Loop (50 min) | | Short Loop (50 min) | | - Short Loop (50 min) |
| 11:30 | | | | | |
| 12:00 | | | Tornado Trail Picnic (1 hr) | | |
| 12:30 | Campus Cleanup (.5 hrs) | Sky Kings Falconry (1.5 hrs) | | Austin Reptile Service Snake viewing (2 hr) | Campus Cleanup (.5 hrs) |
| 1:00 | Long Loop (2 hrs) | | Long Loop (2 hrs) | | Mega Loop (3 hrs) |
| 1:30 | Poetry in the Park (30 mins) | | | | Poetry in the Park (30 mins) |
| 2:00 | | - Long Loop (2 hrs) | | - Long Loop (2 hrs) | |

Information & Locations

All-Day, All-Week Events: Outdoor Classes, Outdoor Meetings and Tornado Trail Recreation

Long-Loop Preserve Tours: Take a 90-minute guided tour of the Concordia Preserve. Meet in the UFCU Student Center (Building B).

Short-Loop Preserve Tours: Take a 45-minute guided tour of the Concordia Preserve. Meet in the UFCU Student Center (Building B).

Mega-Loop Preserve Tour: On Friday, April 9, you can join us for the three-hour mega-loop tour of the preserve. Meet in the UFCU Student Center (Building B).

Birding Outings: Join a 50-minute bird watching tour of campus and Tornado Trail with Carl and Carol Trovall. Meet at The Pier.

Milkweeds & Monarchs: Learn about the important relationship between milkweed plants and Monarch butterflies as you help the Office of Environmental Stewardship (OES) transplant milkweeds into larger pots. Tools and gloves will be provided.

The presentation includes information about the value of native milkweed plants, especially for the endangered species of the Monarch butterfly. Meet at Luther Park.

OES Coffee & Community: Join Zach Stark, the director of Environmental Stewardship, for Coffee & Community after chapel to learn more about environmental stewardship on campus.

Outdoor Prayer/Meditation Stations: Please take some time throughout the week to stop by one of the prayer stations. Located at The Pier, Tornado Trail and the preserve deck by the CTX Library, you can reflect and pray for the natural world at the stations. Small prayer books will be available for you to write down your reflections if you wish to share them with others.

Campus Cleanup by Service Learning: Assist Service-Learning and OES for two afternoons to clean up campus. Emphasis will be placed on picking up trash in and around the Concordia Preserve. Meet at Luther Park.

Raptor Demonstration by Sky Kings Falconry: Watch a hawk and other birds of prey in action. Meet at the The Pier.

Snake Demonstration by Texas Reptile Service: View native Texas snakes, turtles and other reptiles up close and in person. Meet inside Building D.

Tornado Trail Open Access: Beginning on April 3 at 11 a.m., Tornado Trail will officially open for students, faculty and staff.

Certain rules and regulations apply. View the [Tornado Trail map and more information](#).

Outdoor Classes and Meetings: Have your classes and meetings outside all week. Utilize our new outdoor furniture all around campus and the outdoor classrooms.

You can contact [Zach Stark](#) or [Sam Whitehead](#) for a map of the best spots, or you can find a spot on your own.

Bat House Installation