



Ada Township Parks & Recreation Department

Nature Programs for Preschoolers & Parents



Discovery Days

When: Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon

Where: Ada Park or Roselle Park

Cost: \$5/child

Ages: 3 - 5 years old with a parent or guardian

Parents, join your pre-schooler for a fun morning of nature study, hands-on activities and games. Programs will have inside and outdoor activities, so come dressed to be outside.

Pre-registration requested by calling 616-676-0520 or email mfitzpatrick@adatownshipmi.com.

Nature Prepares for Winter

Wed. Dec. 6

Ada Park

Learn how animals, birds, and trees prepare for the cold Michigan winter. Make a pine cone bird feeder to take home to put in your yard.

Snowballs & Snowflakes

Wed. Jan. 10

Ada Park

Learn how snowflakes are formed. Take a walk outside to "catch" some snowflakes to see how they are alike or different. Make your own beaded snowflake to take home.



Tracks...who goes there?

Wed. Feb. 7

Roselle Park

Look at different animal tracks to try to discover what animal made them. Make some cool tracks of your own as you run, walk, and jump through the Park trails.

Cool Critters

Wed. March 7

Roselle Park

Does it have fur, scales, or feathers? Does it run, swim or fly? Look for the many different critters that live just outside our back door.

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TOWNSHIP

Ada Township Parks & Recreation Department Nature Programs for Adults, Youth and Families

Adult and Family Programs

Build a Bird Feeder

Sat. Dec. 9 10 a.m. - 12 noon

Roselle Park \$10/bird feeder kit

Learn to identify local winter birds and improve your backyard as habitat so more birds will come. Build a wooden feeder to take home. Materials and tools will be supplied.

Pre-registration required.



The Winter Night Sky

Wed. Jan. 10 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Roselle Park \$3/adult \$2/youth

Join us for an evening in the Park to observe the winter night sky. A short indoor orientation with winter sky maps and star charts will be followed by outside observation time. Pre-registration requested.

Winter Fun Day

Sat. Feb. 3 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Roselle Park Free! (Donations accepted)

Celebrate winter in the park! Build a snowman, learn about winter birds, bring your own snowshoes or take a winter hike, then come inside for hot cocoa. Bill & Paul's Sporthaus on hand with XC skis and snowshoes to demo and a "Basics of XC Skiing" clinic at 11:00.



Snakes, Turtles, & Frogs, oh, my!

Thurs. March 8

7 - 8 p.m.

Roselle Park \$5/person

This special presentation by the Outdoor Discovery Center features live reptiles and amphibians. Learn about their amazing adaptations and how to identify them by sight and sound. Seating is limited, pre-registration required.



Exploring the Night Sky with GRAAA

Thurs. March 22

7:30 p.m.

Roselle Park

\$3/person

Join the Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association as they talk about what to see now and in upcoming months as winter transitions to spring and then summer. Go outside to observe the crescent moon, Orion Nebula, and other sights with your naked eye and telescopes provided by our visiting amateur astronomers. Pre-registration requested.



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