

MID-OHIO VALLEY MASTER NATURALIST 2025 SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TOPIC	INSTRUCTORS
March 8	Johnson T. Janes Park Parkersburg Library meeting room downstairs	<u>9:00 a.m. – noon</u> – VERNAL POOLS*E Noon till 1:15 - lunch <u>1:15 till 4:30 *E</u> – CITIZEN SCIENCE- Discover a variety of ways to engage in “Citizen Science” and contribute to critical scientific research from your home, backyard, parks and preserves.	Adam Weaver Ben Shuman
March 22	Ohio River Islands National Wildlife Refuge Visitors Center (ORINWR)	<u>9:00 – noon</u> – GENERAL ECOLOGY *C Noon till 1:00 - lunch <u>1:00 – 4:30</u> – ICTHYOLOGY (Fish) *C	Emily Grafton Mike Vernon
April 19	Newell’s Run – (35 minute drive, in Ohio) ORINWR Visitor’s Center	<u>8:30 a.m. – noon</u> – WILDFLOWERS*C LUNCH – noon until 1:00 1:00 – 4:30 – RECORDING AND PRESERVING WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED*C downloading and learning how to utilize 3 or 4 data recording Apps.	Kevin Campbell Adam Weaver
May 17	ORINWR	<u>8:30 till noon</u> – BIRDS*C Noon till 1:00 LUNCH <u>1:00 – 4:00</u> – NAMES AND CLASSIFICATION*C	Michael Schramm Jason White
June 6 – June 8	North Bend State Park Meeting room adjacent to the deck – will be on the deck a good bit of the time. *For the Wetlands Class we will be traveling to Mountwood Park. Details will come later. North Bend State Park Meeting room adjacent to the deck North Bend State Park Meeting room adjacent to the deck	<u>June 6: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm</u> – NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY <u>June 7: 9:00 am till noon</u> – *WETLANDS*C <u>1:30 – 5:00</u> – SHORELINE ECOSYSTEMS*E/AQUATIC HABITATS - by Kayak*E – bring your own or rent one – will start with a Kayak safety overview <u>8:30 – 10:00</u> – NIGHT HERP WALK; ASTRONOMY/ASTROPHOTOGRAPHY*E Optional – OWL PROWL <u>JUNE 8 – 8:30 TILL 11:00</u> BRUNCH AND SHARING WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED/PHOTOS/ JOURNAL ENTRIES YOU CAN BRING YOUR BREAKFAST FROM THE DINING ROOM INTO OUR MEETING ROOM *E	Andrew Walker and John Dennis Kevin Campbell Andrew Walker - Wildlife Adam Weaver – Herps Ben Shuman - ADAM WEAVER JOHN DENNIS All participants

July 12	Mountwood Park – Carson Station	<u>9:00 a.m. - noon</u> – REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS*C	Daniel Jonas
	Mountwood Park Carson Station	Lunch – noon till 1:00 <u>1:00 – 4:30</u> GEOLOGY*C	Claudette Simard
August 9	McDonough Wildlife Park	<u>9:00 till noon</u> – TREES, SHRUBS AND WOODY PLANTS *C	Emily Grafton
August 9	ORINWR Visitors Center	Noon till 1:00 – LUNCH <u>1:00 – 4:00</u> – ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION*E	Mark Krivchenia
September 13	ORINWR Refuge Visitors Center	<u>**8:30 TILL NOON</u> - MAMMALS *C	Sheldon Owen
	ORINWR Refuge Visitors center	Noon till 1:00 - lunch 1:00 till 4:15 – INSECTS AND OTHER INVERTEBRATES *C	Dr. Dave McShaffrey
October 11	ORINWR	9:00 – noon - WILDLIFE HABITAT IMPROVEMENT *C	Emily Grafton
November, 8	ORINWR Visitors Center	<u>9:00 till noon</u> – TERRESTRIAL HABITATS*C	Steven Mechan
		Noon till 1:00 - lunch <u>1:00 – 4:00</u> Nature Interpretation *C	Ken Zebo

*C means Core Class - *E means Elective. **a longer workshop