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# bioBlitz

## FRIDAY MAY 15, 2009

WEST BEACH · INDIANA DUNES · INDIANA

TIME	SCIENCE TENT	MAIN STAGES	NATURE WALKS	FAMILY TENT
11:30 a.m.		Opening Ceremonies		
<b>NOON</b> <span style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">bioBlitz</span> begins!!!!!!				
1:00 p.m.	<p><b>Ongoing Activities</b> The science tent is where biologists will be coming back from the field to identify their specimens, operate microscopes and other equipment, and talk to the public about what they are finding. Stop by if you want to try your hand at identifying species, look through a microscope, or talk with professional scientists about what organisms share our world.</p>	<p><b>Holding the Hoop In Our Hands</b> Nature and environmental songs by <i>George and Michele Schricker</i>.</p>	<p><b>Succession Hike</b> Join <i>Dr. Young Choi</i> from Purdue University and <i>Jerry Olson</i> for this informative hike.</p>	<p><b>Ongoing Activities</b> Experience some of the tools being used in the field to find and identify the organisms! Look at samples through a microscope. Try a field key to identify plants. View the State of Indiana Insect Collection.</p> <p>Analyze a water sample. Use a seine net to collect fish. Many hands-on activities for kids of all ages.</p> <p>Special talks given by field researchers and regional scientists. Check schedule for specific topics and times.</p>
2:00 p.m.		<p><b>Worms Eat My Garbage—Intro to Vermi-composting</b> by <i>Deanna Garner</i> of Recycling and Waste Reduction District of Porter County. Kid friendly!</p>	<p><b>BioBlitz Nature Hike</b> Join a naturalist for a 60-minute nature walk on a nearby trail.</p>	
2:30 p.m.		<p><b>Rain Gardens—A Simple Stormwater Solution</b> by <i>Christine Livingston</i> of the Save the Dunes Conservation Fund.</p>		
3:00 p.m.		<p><b>PEAK—Promoting Environmental Awareness in Kids</b> An interactive children's presentation by the REI staff.</p>		
4:00 p.m.		<p><b>Holding the Hoop In Our Hands</b> Nature and environmental songs by <i>George and Michele Schricker</i>.</p>	<p><b>BioBlitz Nature Hike</b> Join a naturalist for a 60-minute nature walk on a nearby trail.</p>	
5:00 p.m.		<p><b>There's a Bug in Your Soup</b> by <i>Dr. Tom Turpin</i> of Purdue University. Learn about edible insects and come hungry!</p>		
6:00 p.m.			<p><b>Bird Walk with Dr. Stuart Pimm</b> of Duke University. Binoculars are helpful but not required.</p>	
7:00 p.m.			<p><b>Indiana Birds of Prey</b> with <i>Zach Walker</i> of Hardy Lake Rehabilitation Center. Live birds.</p>	
8:00 p.m.		<p><b>Nighttime Bug Collecting</b> with <i>Rebekah Baquiran</i> of The Field Museum. Use mercury vapor lights to</p>		

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## SATURDAY MAY 16, 2009

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9:00 a.m.		<b>Bug in a Bag by Dr. Tom Turpin of Purdue University.</b> Learn the values of biodiversity in the insect world through this fun presentation.	<b>BioBlitz Nature Hike</b> Join a naturalist for a 60-minute nature walk on a nearby trail.	
10:00 a.m.		<b>Indiana Birds of Prey with Zach Walker of Hardy Lake Rehabilitation Center.</b> Live birds.		
11:00 a.m.			<b>BioBlitz Nature Hike</b> Join a naturalist for a 60-minute nature walk on a nearby trail.	
NOON	<b>BioBlitz Species Collection Ends</b>	<b>Scientists Report From the Field</b>		
12:30 p.m.		<b>Closing Ceremonies</b>		
1:00-4:00 p.m.	<i>Celebrate</i> <b>Biodiversity Festival—Every species counts especially you!</b>			
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2:00 p.m.		<b>Healthy Home—Chemical, Free Home Workshop</b> by <i>Deanna Garner</i> of the Recycling and Waste Reduction District of Porter County. Learn about safe alternatives for household cleaners.		
3:00 p.m.		<b>The Bee, the Sea, the Tree...and Thee</b> by Professor Oops. A fun presentation showing the many invisible connections that make up life on our planet.	<b>Bird Banding Program</b> Join <i>John Schaust</i> , Chief Naturalist with Wild Birds Unlimited, for an informative talk and demonstration.	
4:00 p.m.	<b>Festival Ends</b>			

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