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Read, Write, Run!

A program for kids to promote a healthy lifestyle and develop academic performance



Finding safe, affordable and fun activities for kids to participate in when they're not in school can be a challenge for many parents. Enter the Miami-Dade County Parks Fit2Play™ After-School and Out-of-School Program. Fit2Play™ is a fully supervised program that helps prevent childhood obesity by promoting a healthy lifestyle and making fitness fun. It also helps improve academic performance by providing homework assistance four days a week.

The Fit2Play™ Program is a partnership with the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, and was developed based on national standards. The curriculum includes SPARK Sports, Play and Active Recreation for Kid—an evidence-based



Fit2PLAY AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

physical activity and nutrition program that also focuses on developing motor skills, movement knowledge, social and interpersonal skills.

Fit2Play™ also incorporates lifetime sports like SNAG® Golf, QuickStart Tennis and fishing, plus other activities including team sports, track and field, and dance. There are also activities to help kids develop an appreciation for nature, science and cultural arts.

The Fit2Play™ After-School Program is offered at 32 Miami-Dade park locations and runs Monday through Friday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. throughout the public school year, as well as school breaks. Registration for Winter Break Camps begins Dec. 1. The camp will run from Dec. 21 through Dec. 31; no camp will be offered on Dec. 25 or Jan. 1.

To register your kids and for more information, visit www.miamidade.gov/parks and click on the Fit2Play™ box or call 3-1-1. 🐾

Fit2Play™ Locations

Arcola Lakes Park
1301 NW 83 St.
305-836-5095

Country Village Park
6550 NW 188 Terr.
305-622-2594

Greynolds Park
17530 W. Dixie Hwy.
305-945-3425

Gwen Cherry Park (Y.E.T.)
7090 NW 22 Ave.
305-694-4889

Highland Oaks Park (OLR)
20459 NE 24 Ave.
305-932-2164

Jefferson Reaves Park (TCT)
3100 NW 50 St.
305-635-2081

Little River Park
10525 NW 24 Ave.
305-694-5121

Martin Luther King, Jr. Park
6000 NW 32 Ct.
305-633-2044

North Glade Park
17355 NW 52 Ave.
305-621-2461

Oak Grove Park (OLR)
690 NE 159 St.
305-944-8670

Olinda Park
2101 NW 51 St.
305-635-2081

Sydney Wynn Park at Arcola
1680 NW 87 St.
305-835-7987

West Little River Park
2326 NW 84 St.
305-694-5096

Bird Lakes Park
14365 SW 48 Ln.
305-207-1644

Continental Park (OLR)
10000 SW 82 Ave.
305-274-9666

Kendale Lakes Park
7850 SW 142 Ave.
305-385-4750

North Trail Park
780 NW 127 Ave.
305-207-2420

Rockway Park
9460 SW 27 Dr.
305-223-8769

Ruben Dario Park
9825 W. Flagler St.
305-222-2194

Westwind Lakes Park (OLR)
6805 SW 152 Ave.
305-388-4771

Camp Matecumbe
111400 SW 137 Ave.
305-752-4966

Eureka Villas Park (OLR)
14301 SW 180 St.
305-254-5856

Eureka Park
18320 SW 119 Ave.
305-971-8814

Goulds Park
11350 SW 216 St.
305-255-2399

Hammocks Community Park (OLR)
9885 Hammocks Blvd.
305-380-6917

Live Like Bella Park
29305 Illinois Rd.
305-248-1527

Modello Park
28450 SW 152 Ave.
305-247-1553

Naranja Park
14150 SW 264 St.
305-258-1945

Sgt. Joseph Delancy Park (OLR)
14450 Boggs Dr.
305-235-4503

South Dade Park (OLR)
28151 SW 164 Ave.
305-247-9453

Southridge Park
11250 SW 192 St.
786-293-4549

West Perrine Park
10301 SW 170 Terr.
305-235-2053



Zero Gravity, Zero Limitations

Divers with disabilities gain a sense of freedom underwater

Andres Cruz was born with spina bifida, a neurological defect that affects his mobility, but you wouldn't know it to see him in his scuba gear, gliding effortlessly underwater.

With help from the team at the Diveheart Scuba Experience, Andres started scuba diving at the age of 10. Today, not only does he know how to use diving equipment and put on his own gear, he's a certified diver, earning that distinction at the age of 13 in the open waters of Key Largo.

"I see him happy to enjoy something he likes," says his mother Gladys. "It has helped his confidence and sense of accomplishment. He is able to do what other people can do—enjoy the water and nature."

Led by volunteer certified scuba instructors, veterans, adults and children ages 10 and older with dis-



abilities escape gravity's limitations by learning how to scuba dive either in a pool, or in the deep blue sea. Is it safe?

Gladys sure thinks so. "The staff is so caring, and they pay attention to all of the details. They ensure Andres is safe." 🍃



How to participate

The next event is Saturday, Oct. 17, 11 a.m.–3 p.m., at A.D. Barnes Pool, 3401 SW 72nd Ave., Miami.

Advance registration and medical clearance are required to participate. For more information, contact Terri Bukacheski at 305-598-9688 or info@orthooproassociates.com.



Miami-Dade Parks Programs Exclusively for People with Disabilities

Inclusiveness and accessibility are some of Miami-Dade Parks' core values. With over 250 parks, we offer something for everyone, from swim lessons to exercise classes, baseball, soccer, tennis, Paralympic sports, after-school and summer camps, and much more.

Whether it's team sports for kids with autism, basketball for the wheelchair bound, or goalball for the blind or visually impaired, Miami-Dade Parks offers many opportunities for people with disabilities to get and stay active.



Call 3-1-1 to find out more about access for persons with disabilities to park facilities, programs & events.

The Underline

Green Won't Be the Only Color

Your stroll or bike ride along The Underline won't be the same a few years from now. That's because work is underway to introduce an unprecedented exhibition of public art by nationally recognized and Miami-based visual artists throughout this 10-mile corridor that runs from the Miami River north, of Brickell, to Dadeland South station.

Miami-Dade County Parks receives grants to create public art that reflect the unique characteristics of the neighborhoods.

ArtPlace America, one of the nation's largest philanthropies in creative placemaking, has awarded Miami-Dade County a \$200,000 grant to integrate vibrant and enriching arts and culture expressions into the developing plan to transform the site into a world-class linear park. In June, the Knight Foundation added a \$250,000 grant toward the project. These investments will help transform The Underline into a more scenic attraction, immersing pedestrians and cyclists in a dynamic and picturesque palette of art and greenery.

"Artists will be selected and tasked to identify significant opportunities for creative expression



through permanent and temporary public art to reflect the unique characteristics of the major neighborhoods along the corridor," explained Meg Daly, founder of Friends of The Underline. "Thanks to [these grants], artwork will help us discover, celebrate and engage our many communities," she added.

Maria Nardi, chief of planning and design for Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces, said that The Underline is about creative parks and public places. "We are excited to integrate art and culture at the heart of The Underline vision that will transform our community."

ABOUT ARTPLACE AMERICA

ArtPlace America is one of the nation's largest philanthropies in creative placemaking. It is a 10-year collaboration between top foundations that include the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation working with the National Endowment for the Arts, other federal agencies and financial institutions. ArtPlace supports arts and culture through enhancement of creative community developments. It also promotes art work portrayals of communities.



According to ArtPlace's director of national grantmaking F. Javier Torres, ArtPlace's National Grants Program is building a portfolio that will engage each sector and stakeholder of the community development field.

For more information on ArtPlace, visit www.artplaceamerica.org.

The cities of Miami, Coral Gables, South Miami and the Village of Pinecrest have endorsed the project, which has the potential to grow the economy of the cities and better the health and well-being of nearly 400,000 residents. 🌿



Growing the Community

Local garden project aims to nourish hearts and minds

Grocery stores and farmers markets are what usually come to mind as sources for fresh produce, not your local park. But thanks to a \$20,000 Parks Build Community grant from the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) and The Walt Disney Company, Goulds Park is the site of a new community garden where local residents and community groups will have the opportunity to plant, maintain and harvest local produce.

Five community groups kicked off the project on Aug. 13, with a volunteer planting project. These groups—the Greater Goulds Optimist Club, Citizens Alliance of Goulds, Goulds Community Action Agency, Goulds Park Fit2Play™ After-school program and the Goulds Park Disability Services program—will be maintaining the garden throughout the year.

The garden, which includes an irrigation system, planter beds and fencing, has a variety of fruit trees, herbs and



spices, plus a butterfly garden. A selection of vegetables will be planted in the fall, which is the season for vegetable planting in South Florida.

“This new community garden at Goulds Park will serve as an excellent teaching tool for the children enrolled in our after-school and Disability Services programs,” said Miami-Dade Parks Director Jack Kardys. “Children will experience firsthand how to grow their own food source—from seed to plate—while also learning about healthy eating.”

NRPA's Parks Build Community helps to revitalize and restore local parks and park programs across the country. The Goulds Park Community Garden project was one of 15 projects selected to receive grant funding.

For more information on the program and other winners, visit NRPA.org/BeInspired. Goulds Park is located at 11350 SW 216 St., Miami. 🌱



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Keep Moving, Stay Healthy

Exercise program helps adults over 55 get active and energized

As we age, good health and exercise go hand in hand. Regular exercise can boost energy, help maintain independence and manage symptoms of illness or pain. Miami-Dade Parks is proud to offer multiple programs for active older adults age 55 and over.

Enhance Fitness®

Enhance Fitness® is a nationally-recognized, evidence-based exercise program that is specifically designed to improve functional fitness and well-being in older adults. Classes are taught by certified instructors for one hour, three times per week, at multiple Miami-Dade Park locations. Physical fitness activities include stretching, low-impact aerobics, strength-training, flexibility and balance techniques.

In a typical class, participants will experience:

- A 5-minute warm-up to get the blood flowing to muscles
- A 20-minute aerobics workout that gets participants moving, or a walking workout to lively music that the class chooses
- A 5-minute cool-down
- A 20-minute strength training workout with soft ankle and wrist weights (up to 20 pounds)
- A 10-minute stretching workout to keep the muscles flexible
- Balance exercises throughout the class

Programs like Enhance Fitness® are proven to increase strength and flexibility and elevate mood. For more information visit www.projectenhance.org.



Enhance Fitness® Class Locations

Arcola Lakes Senior Center
8401 NW 14 Ave.
305-694-2728

Continental Park
10000 SW 82 Ave.
305-274-9666

Country Village Park
6550 NW 188 Terr.
305-622-2594

Gwen Cherry Park
7090 NW 22 Ave.
305-694-4889

Deerwood Bonita Lakes Park
14445 SW 122 Ave.
305-234-1660

North Trail Park
780 NW 127 Ave.
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South Dade Park
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Reach for the sky

Kites of all colors, shapes and sizes will take to the skies over Haulover Beach Park at the 23rd annual Kitetoberfest kite festival

While many people dream of seeing the Northern Lights, **Haulover Beach Park** is offering an incredible array of colors during the 23rd annual Kitetoberfest kite festival on **Sunday, Oct. 18, from noon–5 p.m.**

Nestled between the Intercostal Waterway and the Atlantic Ocean, Haulover Beach Park has plenty of open space and an ocean breeze that makes it

one of the best places to fly kites in South Florida.

Each year, thousands of people from near and far revel in this fun family affair presented by Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces in conjunction with Skyward Kites.

During the event, kids can take kite-building classes, learn to fly a kite and attend kite-flying demonstrations. Monster kites featuring Nemo, the





100-foot squid, and the 30-foot scuba man are expected to make appearances again this year.

Attendees are encouraged to participate in kite competitions and anyone can enter with a homemade kite or one made or purchased on-site.

Prize categories include highest flying kite, most unusual kite, best homemade kite and kite with the longest tail. There is no limit to the size or type of kites that can be entered.

Shoes with socks are recommended for individuals participating in open field activities.

And, if this isn't enough to get you excited about Kittoberfest, there will also be food and refreshments for sale and a live concert by Miami Country Day School's 21 Hearts, 1 Beat rock ensemble. Bring a blanket and enjoy the fun.

Event admission is free and parking is \$7. Haulover Beach Park is located at 10800 Collins Ave. 🍃

For directions and park information, visit www.miamidade.gov/parks/haulover.asp or call 305-947-3525.



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ACTIVITIES OVERVIEW



Fitness Dance Party

Miami-Dade residents enjoyed free dance exercises led by professional Zumba instructors on July 25 at Tropical Park's Ronald Reagan Equestrian Center.



Miami-Dade Growing Greener with S.H.A.D.E. Project

Volunteers expanded the tree canopies in Little Havana and the city of Miami Gardens on Aug. 1 to encourage outdoor physical activity by providing more shade.



End of Summer Bash

More than 4,000 registered summer campers attended the four-day End of Summer Bash July 28-31 at Tropical Park's Equestrian Center.

“Different strokes for different folks,” never rang truer than it does in the variety of offerings available through local Miami-Dade County Parks. Let’s take a look back on all the great achievements and events we’ve had so far...



Miami-Dade County Employees ditched their cars on March 6

In a break from the daily commuting grind, Miami-Dade County employees, along with Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez, rode their bikes to work on Bike to Work Day. This annual event held in March promotes bicycling as a viable option for commuting to work.



Miami Football Festival

This free festival was held on July 25 at Tropical Park and featured the Mayor’s Cup Flag Football Tournament, football clinics, food trucks and giveaways.



Grand Opening of Miami Watersports Complex at Amelia Earhart Park

This event was held March 27-28 in conjunction with the 2015 Monster Energy WWA Wake Park Triple Crown, an international championship wakeboarding tournament.



Mayor’s SNAG® Youth Golf Challenge

This program aims to build and support a strong foundation of organized sports throughout Miami-Dade County.

Calling All Good Natured People

Help restore and protect natural areas

The Environmentally Endangered Lands (EEL) Program was created by the voters of Miami-Dade County in 1990 to acquire, enhance, protect and manage natural areas in perpetuity. The program seeks to conserve Miami-Dade's diminishing native habitats, home to globally-imperiled pine rock land, tropical hardwood hammocks, xeric scrub, tree islands, freshwater marsh and glades, saltwater wetlands and mangroves among other species.

Since then, the EEL Program and its partners have acquired more than 21,676 acres of environmentally endangered lands. Additionally, the program manages 2,800 acres of natural areas within several Miami-Dade County parks, totaling more than 24,476 protected acres.

Getting sensitive lands back in public hands is only half the battle. Maintaining it is an ongoing responsibility. That's where the public can help.

By taking part in EEL program workdays, residents can help protect and restore Miami-Dade County's natural areas by removing exotic vegetation, enhancing trails, restoring native vegetation and conducting clean-up activities.



Furthermore, volunteers get to explore local natural gems and learn to identify various native and invasive non-native plants, while gaining a better understanding of the rare ecosystems and local habitats unique to South Florida. Community service hours are available for participants.

To learn more about volunteering, call 305-372-6611 or visit www.miamidade.gov/environment/endangered-lands-volunteer.asp. 🐾



Simple ways to support conservation at home

- Avoid using invasive non-native plants in your yard. Check out a list of plants to avoid at www.fleppc.org.
- Don't turn non-native pets loose. Consult a vet, local animal shelter or the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to find out how to get rid of unwanted animals. www.myfwc.com
- Support the use of prescribed fires on conservation land. Fire plays an important role in the ecology of South Florida landscapes but, be sure to dispose of trash and debris properly.



FocusOnParks

Focus on Parks is a free program* for middle school-aged children that connects them to parks and other significant natural and cultural locations in Miami-Dade County. Youngsters experience these environments through photography, creative expression and hands-on Saturday field trips ending in an overnight campout at Everglades National Park.

Interested young explorers must complete and submit an application that includes a paragraph that describes why they wish to participate in the program. Twenty-five explorers will be selected to participate in December.

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*Must be registered in a Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department After-school program.

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PROGRAMS & EVENTS



OCTOBER

Oct. 14

Nite Hike & Campfire

Walk down the tropical hardwood hammock trail and watch the night life from 7–9:30 p.m. at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$15 per person. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 15

Historic Ghost Stories Tour

Hear about sightings and experiences from actual paranormal investigations of the historic Deering Estate located at 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami from 7–9 p.m. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 16

Campfire & Night Walk

Enjoy an evening of discovery in the world of owls and marshmallow roasting at Arch Creek Park, 1855 NE 135 St., North Miami. The cost is \$6 per person and the tour begins at 7:30 p.m. For details, call 305-944-6111.

Oct. 16

Concert Series

Listen to the South Florida Chapter of the American Liszt Society from 8–9:30 p.m. at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The reception begins at 7:30 p.m. The costs is \$20 for adults; \$12 seniors and students. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 16

Stars at the Park Gala

Free Latin Music Gala Concert at 8 p.m. at the Miami-Dade County Auditorium, 2901 West Flagler St., Miami. Concert features the Miami Big Sound Orchestra Latin jazz band. For details, contact Vivian Greer-Digon at 305-480-1717 or 305-271-0812.

Oct. 16

Monster Masquerade

Stroll moonlit walkways at your own risk from 8 p.m.–midnight while zombies dance at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152 St., Miami. General admission is \$65; \$60 for members; \$75 at the door. For details, call 305-255-5551 or visit www.zoomiami.org.

Oct. 17 & 24

Campfire & Night Walk

Enjoy an evening of discovery in the world of owls and roast marshmallows at Castellow Hammock Park, 22301 SW 162 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$6 per person. The tour begins at 6 p.m. For details, call 305-242-7688.

Oct. 17

Everglades Scenic Safari Van Tour

Join a naturalist on this exciting van tour through the Florida Everglades from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. at the A.D. “Doug” Barnes Park Miami EcoAdventures Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$35 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Oct. 17 & 18

Redland Grow Fest

Vendors and exhibitors will provide starter

plants, trees, growing and gardening supplies, door prizes and healthy eats at Fruit & Spice Park, 24801 SW 187 Ave., Homestead. For details, call 305-247-5727.

Oct. 17, 24 & 30

Sunrise Kayak Adventure

Experience the sunrise from your kayak at 7 a.m. and watch the world awaken as you paddle through Crandon Park Marina, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-361-6767.

Oct. 17

Walk on the Wild Side: Ned Glenn Pineland

Venture into some of the various natural ecosystems of South Florida from 10–11:30 a.m. at the Intersection of SW 189 St. & 87 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$4 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Oct. 18

Coral Gables Waterway Tour

Explore the history of Coral Gables in this leisurely canoe paddle from 9 a.m.–noon at the A.D. “Doug” Barnes Park Miami EcoAdventures Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Oct. 18

Sea Kayak & Snorkel Adventure

Take a journey along the shores of Key Biscayne and snorkel to a 6,000-year-old fossil reef. The trip begins at 9:30 a.m. at Crandon Park, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. The cost is \$60 per person. For details, call 305-361-6767.



Oct. 21
Spirits, Spells & American Lore

This free exhibit explores the macabre and mysterious nature of the Northwest, Mid-Atlantic and Northeast American regions from 7–9 p.m. at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 23 & 24
Spooky Trail Night Walk

You are invited to a spooky time from 7–10 p.m. at the A.D. “Doug” Barnes Park Miami EcoAdventures Center Spooky Trail, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$5 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Oct. 24
Seabirds on the Bay

Enjoy this birdwatching cruise on Biscayne Bay from 6–8 p.m. aboard the Pelican Island Skipper at the Pelican Harbor Marina, 1275 NE 79 St., Miami. The cost is \$40 per person. For details, call 305-751-9840 or visit www.pelicanharbor.org.

Oct. 24
Sunrise Photography

Take sunrise photos of Biscayne Bay from 6:30–8:30 a.m. at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$20 per person. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.



Oct. 24 & 25
Zoo Boo

Zoo Boo is one of South Florida’s premier Halloween events for families from 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152 St., Miami. For details, call 305-255-5551 or visit www.zoomiami.org.

Oct. 24
Wine on Harvest Moon

Enjoy this spectacular event at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. General admission is \$175; \$150 for the Deering Estate Foundation members. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 25
Bill Sadowski Park Canoe Tour

Take a leisurely paddle down the C-100 canal starting at 10 a.m. at Coral Reef Park, 17555 SW 79 Ave., Palmetto Bay. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-255-4767.

Oct. 25
Bike305 FREEDOM RIDE II

The second annual organized bicycle ride benefitting the Achilles International Freedom Team of Wounded Veterans starts at 7:30 a.m. at Homestead-Miami Speedway, 1 Speedway Blvd., Homestead. Registration fees are from \$45–\$60. For details, visit www.evergladesbc.com.



Oct. 25
Moonlight Canoe Trip

Take a moonlight canoe tour from the Deering Estate across Biscayne Bay. The cost is \$40 for adults. Space is limited and reservations are required. Tour begins at 7 p.m. at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 28
Speaking Sustainably

This free film series features critical environmental issues of the 21st century. Films are presented at 7 p.m. in the Visitor Center Theatre at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 29
Historic Ghost Stories Tour

Hear about sightings and experiences from actual paranormal investigations from 7–9 p.m. at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. Cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Oct. 29
Mangrove Madness

This afternoon of discovery will teach you all about the mangroves of South Florida from 4–5 p.m. The cost is \$7 per person. Crandon Park EcoCenter, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. For details, call 305-361-6767.

To find out more, call 3-1-1, visit www.miamidade.gov/parks or connect with us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram.   

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Oct. 30

Campfire & Owl Walk

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Oct. 30

Fall Star Gazing Party

Explore the night sky, and the full Hunters Moon with the Southern Cross Astros from 7–10 p.m. at Fruit & Spice Park, 24801 SW 187 Ave., Homestead. Admission is free. For details, call 305-247-5727.

Oct. 30

One-Day Camp: Wicked Wildlife

Let your child explore the wild side of the parks in this nature-based camp that meets from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. at the A.D. “Doug”



Barnes Park Miami EcoAdventures Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Oct. 30 & 31

Spooky Zoo Nights

Bring the family to a ghoulish night out at Zoo Miami’s Night of the Living Zoo 7–11 p.m. at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152 St., Miami. For details, call 305-255-5551 or visit www.zoomiami.org.



For details, call 305-755-7885 or visit www.playmiami.org.

Nov. 1

Campfire & Night Walk

Take a nighttime stroll at Castellow Hammock Park, 22301 SW 162 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$6 per person and the walk begins at 6 p.m. For details, call 305-242-7688.

Nov. 1

Kayak Fishing Adventure

Join an expert guide while fishing from a Wilderness Systems Tarpon 140 fishing kayak along the waters of South Florida. Tour begins at 7 a.m. from Pelican Harbor Marina, 1275 NE 79 St., Miami. The cost is \$85 per person. For details, call 305-365-3018.

Nov. 3–5

Bullseye Archery Skills

Get an in-depth archery experience during

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Mid-November (Dates TBA)

Fall Youth Sports Championship Series: Sean Taylor Classic

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this 6-session program at one of our park EcoCenters. The cost is \$8 per person, or sign up for all 6 weeks and receive one free session. For hours and locations, visit www.miamidade.gov/parks/calendar.asp.

Nov. 6
Concert Series

The South Florida Chapter of the American Liszt Society will be held at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The reception begins at 8 p.m. The cost is \$20 adults; \$12 for seniors, K-12 students and college students with student ID. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Nov. 7
Intro to Archery

Learn about the origins and history of archery from 10 a.m.–noon at the A.D. “Doug” Barnes Park Miami EcoAdventures Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$8 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Nov. 7 & 8
Miami Soccer Festival

The Soccer Festival will include a tournament for boys and girls age 12 and under. Event begins each day at 8 a.m. and the cost is \$70 for younger teams; \$170 for older teams. For details, visit www.playmiami.org.

Nov. 7 & 8
Redland Fish Fry & Seafood Festival

Come and enjoy all types of delectable fried



and grilled local seafood at Fruit & Spice Park. The cost is \$7; free for children 11 and under. Festival begins at 10 a.m. For details, call 305-247-5727.

Nov. 7
Sunrise Kayak Adventure

Experience the sunrise from your kayak at 7 a.m. and watch the world awaken as you paddle through Crandon Park Marina, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-361-6767.

Nov. 7
Volunteer EcoAction Day

Join our naturalists at Castellow Hammock Park, 22301 SW 162 Ave., Miami. Restoration begins at 10 a.m. Telephone reservations are required. For details, call 305-242-7688.

Nov. 7
Walk on the Wild Side: Ned Glenn Pineland

Venture into various natural ecosystems of South Florida parks guided by a naturalist to discover the marvels hidden within the nature trails. The program meets at SW 189 St. & 87 Ave. from 10–11:30 a.m. The cost is \$4 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Nov. 8
Bill Sadowski Park Canoe Tour

Take a leisurely paddle down the C-100 canal from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. The trip costs \$30 per person and meets at Bill Sadowski



Park, 17555 SW 79 Ave., Palmetto Bay. For details, call 305-255-4767.

Nov. 8, 14 & 21
Campfire & Night Walk

Enjoy an evening of discovery in the world of owls while roasting marshmallows at Castellow Hammock Park, 22301 SW 162 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$6 per person and the walk begins at 6 p.m. For details, call 305-242-7688.

Nov. 8
Coconuts Music Festival

Enjoy food, fun and entertainment with live music by Mr. Nice Guy, the Mojo Scoundrels and the Rockcoholics at Haulover Beach Park, 10800 Collins Ave., Miami. The festival starts at noon and admission is free. Parking is \$7 per car. For details, call 305-947-3525.

Nov. 8 & 22
Oleta River Canoe Tour

Relive Oleta River’s historic past with park naturalists as you transition through its ecosystems. The tour begins at 10 a.m. at East Greynolds Park, 17530 W Dixie Hwy., North Miami Beach. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-944-6111.

Nov. 8
Sunday Canoe Tour

Experience the sunrise from your canoe at 7:30 a.m. and watch the world awaken as

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you paddle across Biscayne Bay from the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$30 for adults; \$20 for children. For details, call 305-361-6767 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Nov. 10–12

Bullseye Archery Skills

Get an in-depth archery experience during this 6-session program at one of our park EcoCenters. The cost is \$8 per person, or sign up for all 6 weeks and receive one free session. For hours and locations, visit www.miamidade.gov/parks/calendar.asp.

Nov. 11

Nite Hike & Campfire

Walk down the tropical hardwood hammock trail of the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami, and view the woods and its wildlife as it comes to life at night. The cost is \$15 per person and the hike begins at 7

p.m. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Nov. 11

One Day Camp: Grossology

Campers will perform scientific experiments, go on environmental fieldtrips and engage in athletic activities in the great outdoors. Camps start at 9 a.m. and the cost is \$30 per person. The camp meets at the A.D. Barnes Park EcoCenter, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Nov. 12

Everglades Van Active Adults Field Trip

Join a naturalist on this exciting sight-seeing van tour through the Florida Everglades from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. The tour will meet at Castellow Hammock Park EcoCenter, 22301 SW 162 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$35 a person. For reservations, call 305-242-7688.

Nov. 12

Historic Ghost Stories Tour

Step into the past, as you listen to the stories of the Deering Estate's previous inhabitants and paranormal visitors. Tour begins at 7 p.m. at 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Nov. 13

Creatures of the Night

Learn about the mysteries of the night and see what lurks around our park when the lights go out. Tour begins at 7:30 p.m. at Greynolds Parks, 17530 W Dixie Hwy., North Miami Beach. The cost is \$4 per person. For details, call 305-944-6111.

Nov. 13–15

Vamos a Pescar™ Family Fishing Camp

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PARKS' WINTER CAMPS

Ensure Kids Aren't Left Out in the Cold

- **Registration will begin Dec. 1**
- **A variety of Parks camps are offered from Dec. 21 – 31**
(Camps are closed Dec. 25)

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fishing techniques and boat navigation on this 3-day camp in partnership with Vamos a Pescar™. The cost is \$25 per person. For hours and location, call 305-255-4767.

Nov. 14
Beach Cleanup

Help keep our beaches clean and earn community service hours during our monthly beach cleanup at Crandon Park, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. Cleanup starts at 9 a.m. For details, call 305-361-6767.

Nov. 14
Matheson Mangrove Kayak Trek
Immerse yourself in the remarkable beauty of Biscayne Bay as you travel on a naturalist guided tour through the mangrove forest at Matheson Hammock Park Wading Beach, 9610 Old Cutler Rd., Miami from 10 a.m.–noon. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Nov. 14, 15, 23, 28 & 29
Sea Kayak & Snorkel Adventure
Take a journey along the shores of Key Biscayne and snorkel to a 6,000-year-old fossil reef. The trip begins at 9:30 a.m. at Crandon Park, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. The cost is \$60 per person. For details, call 305-361-6767.

Nov. 14
Volunteer EcoAction Days
Connect with nature and get down and



dirty at one of our monthly volunteer days. Cleanup starts at 9 a.m. For hours and location, call 305-944-6111.

Nov. 14
ZooRun5K & ZooKidsDash
Come for a race and stay for a zoo adventure. Race begins at 6:15 a.m. at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152 Street, Miami. For details, call 305-255-5551 or visit www.zoomiami.org/run.

Nov. 15
Chapman Field Kayak Trek
Learn about the history and ecology of this airfield turned park as you paddle through a variety of South Florida habitats. Meet at Chapman Field Park, 13601 Deering Bay Dr., Coral Gables. The tour begins at 10 a.m. and costs \$30 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Nov. 15
Greater Miami Youth Symphony Chamber Recital
Enjoy a Chamber Recital in the Stone House Ballroom at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$7, and advance ticket purchase is recommended. For details, visit www.deeringestate.org.

Nov. 18 & 19
Bullseye Archery Skills
Get an in-depth archery experience during this 6-session program at one of our park



EcoCenters. The cost is \$8 per person, or sign up for all 6 weeks and receive one session free. For hours and locations, visit www.miamidade.gov/parks/calendar.asp.

Nov. 19
Mangrove Madness
Take a walk through the mangrove forest of the Bear Cut Preserve from 4–5:30 p.m. This program meets at the Crandon Park EcoCenter, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. The tour is free. For details, call 305-361-6767.

Nov. 20
Campfire & Night Walk
Enjoy an evening of discovery in the world of owls and roast marshmallows at Arch Creek Park, 1855 NE 135 St., North Miami. The cost is \$6 per person and the walk begins at 7:30 p.m. For details, call 305-944-6111.

Nov. 20
Campfire & Owl Walk
Enjoy an evening of discovery in the world of owls and roast marshmallows at Bill Sadowski Park, 17555 SW 79 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$6 per person and the walk begins at 7:30 p.m. For details, call 305-255-4767.

Nov. 21
Deering Goes to the Birds
Enjoy walks and educational activities for the entire family throughout the day at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$7 and the tour begins at

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10 a.m. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Nov. 21

Sunset Kayak Adventure

Watch the sun slowly set from your kayak at 4:30 p.m. as you paddle through Pelican Island from Crandon Marina, 4000 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne. The cost is \$30 per person. For details, call 305-361-6767.

Nov. 22

Everglades Scenic Safari (Van Tour)

Join a naturalist on this exciting sight-seeing van tour through the Florida Everglades from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. This trip meets at A.D. “Doug” Barnes Park Miami EcoAdventures Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$35 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Nov. 22

Fall Outdoor Concert featuring Nu Deco Ensemble

The Deering Estate presents a dynamic outdoor concert by Nu Deco Ensemble. The cost is \$25 per person and advance ticket purchase is recommended. Showtime is at 5 p.m. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

Nov. 25

One Day Camp: Turkey Day

Let your child explore the wild side of parks



in this nature-based camp packed with fun and educational programming. The camp meets at the A.D. Barnes Park EcoCenter, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami, and costs \$30 per person. For details, call 305-662-4124.

Nov. 28

Sunrise Photography

Take sunrise photos of Biscayne Bay from 6–8 a.m. at the Deering Estate, 16701 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$20 per person. For details, call 305-235-1668 ext. 233 or visit www.deeringestate.org.

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Dec. 1

Campfire & Owl Walk

Enjoy an evening of discovery in the world of owls while roasting marshmallows at Bill Sadowski Park, 17555 SW 79 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$6 per person and the tour begins at 7:30 p.m. For details, call 305-255-4767.

Dec. 4–6

Vamos a Pescar™ Family Fishing Camp

Bring your family along and learn various fishing techniques and boat navigation on this 3-day camp in partnership with Vamos a Pescar™. The cost is \$25 per person. For hours and location, call 305-255-4767.



Dec. 4

Stars At The Park Noches Tropicales™

Visit Tropical Park for a night of dancing and music by American Grammy Winner Marlow Rosado and La Riqueña Band. Showtime at 8 p.m. For details, call 305-480-1717 or 305-271-0812.

Dec. 12

Bill Sadowski Park Canoe Tour

Take a leisurely paddle down the C-100 canal from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. The trip costs \$30 per person and meets at the Bill Sadowski Park, 17555 SW 79th Ave., Palmetto Bay. For details, call 305-255-4767.

Dec. 13

Kayak Fishing Adventure

Join an expert guide while fishing from a Wilderness Systems Tarpon 140 fishing kayak along the waters of South Florida. Adventure begins at 7 a.m. at Pelican Harbor Marina, 1275 NE 79 St., Miami. The cost is \$85 per person. For details, call 305-365-3018.

Dec. 21–23 & Dec. 28–30

Winter Nature Camp

Children can explore the wild side of parks in this nature-based camp packed with fun and educational programming. This camp meets at the A.D. “Doug” Barnes Park Miami EcoAdventures Center, 3401 SW 72 Ave., Miami. The cost is \$100 per week. For details, call 305-662-4124. 🦋

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