



Miami-Dade Parks July 2008 Calendar of Events

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JULY/AUGUST 2008

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JULY

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11 AM – 12 PM

WATER EXERCISE

\$30 for 10 classes + one time registration fee of \$10

Low-impact water exercise class for adults with disabilities.

Tamiami Park

11201 SW 24th St.

(305) 222-2128

- JULY 4, 1 PM – 10 PM

Miami-Dade Parks Celebrates Independence Day with a Concert and Fireworks at Amelia Earhart Park July 4, 2008

Come celebrate America's Independence with live music and an illuminating evening of fireworks at Amelia Earhart Park, July 4, 1 – 10 p.m. The sights and sounds of American patriotism will infuse the park at the Miami-Dade Parks Annual Independence Day celebration featuring concerts, food and all of the great park's amenities including a mountain bike trail, the Bill Graham Farm Village, paddle boat rides, a dog park and more. The evening will culminate with a spectacular fireworks display. Admission to the event is free. There is a parking fee of \$10 per car; \$15 per bus and RV. Patrons should bring lawn chairs and blankets. Coolers are not allowed. Food and beverages will be sold. For more information, call 305-685-8389. Amelia Earhart Park is located at 401 E. 65th Street in Hialeah.

Celebrate 4th of July at Black Point Park and Marina

Enjoy the beauty of Black Point Park and Marina during the annual 4th of July celebration. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and enjoy a spectacular 20-minute fireworks display. You can also bring your picnic basket or enjoy the amazing restaurant above the marina. Admission is free. Black Point Park and Marina is located at 24775 SW 87 Avenue in Cutler Ridge. Phone 305-258-4092

- JUL 4, 7:30 PM
PROFESSIONAL SOCCER:
MIAMI FC VS. PUERTO RICO
 \$5 - \$25.
 Tropical Park Stadium
 7900 SW 40th St.
 (866) 57-MIAMI

- JUL 5, 13, 19, 27,
9 AM – 12 PM

ECOADVENTURES: HISTORIC CORAL GABLES CANOE TOUR

\$30/Adult, \$15/Child. Canoe the historic Coral Gables waterway as naturalist-guides take you back in time to the days of George Merrick and the birth of Coral Gables and the famous Biltmore Hotel. Choose a full day trip returning at 3 PM or a half-day trip returning at 1 PM. Reservations are required.

A.D. Barnes Sense of Wonder

Nature Center

A.D. Barnes Park, 3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 365-3018

- JUL 5, 3 pm

ARCHITECTURE TOUR

Free with admission: \$7/Adults;

\$5/Children (Ages 4-14). Discover the architectural features of some of South Florida's earliest buildings.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 6 & 26, 7 AM – 5 PM

ECOADVENTURES: INDIAN KEY CANOE & SNORKEL ADVENTURE

\$45/Adults, \$15/Child (ages 9-14).

Canoe in the Florida Keys. Explore the birth place of Miami-Dade County on Indian Key. Then snorkel in the surrounding coral reefs of the Florida Keys. Reservations are required.

A.D. Barnes Sense of Wonder

Nature Center

A.D. Barnes Park, 3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 365-3018

- JUL 7, 7 pm

LECTURE: BIRD CONSERVATION

Free.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 7 – 18, 9 am – 4:30 pm

DEERING DISCOVERY CAMP: SESSION III

\$300/Child, per session (ages 6-13). Campers explore the historic and natural environment of the Estate while engaging in hands on activities.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.
(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 9 – AUG 15,
8 AM – 5 PM

SUMMER CAMP FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Free. Summer camp for children age 6-22 with varying disabilities. Program will continue to assist participants to improve literacy skills, social skills, and participate in arts & crafts and field trips.

Coral Estates Park
1405 SW 97th Ave.

(305) 226-1622
and

Tamiami Park
11201 SW 24th St.
(305) 222-2128

- JUL 12 & 13,
9:30 AM – 4:30 PM

INTERNATIONAL MANGO FESTIVAL

\$20/Adults, \$15/Seniors, \$10/Children 6-17 and free for Fairchild members and children 5 and under. The Festival will feature everything for the mango lover—tree sales, lectures, displays of more than 200 mangos from Fairchild nurseries, a children's program that includes a puppet show, theater, food demonstrations and a spectacular brunch.

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
10901 Old Cutler Rd.
(305) 667-1651

- JUL 12, 11 am – 4 pm

RAILROAD YARDS

\$5/Adult, \$3/Child (Ages 3-11) under 3 free. See demonstrations of switching and consist assembly, and participate in programs which will allow you to meet the engineer and conductor, learn about their duties, and see them in action.

Gold Coast Railroad Museum
12450 SW 152nd St.
(305) 253-0063

- JUL 12 & 20, 9 AM – 11 PM

ECOADVENTURES: MATHESON "SURF N' TURF" EXCURSION

\$5/Adult, \$5/Child. Hike and wade through these South Florida ecosystems, Biscayne Bay and a hardwood hammock. Learn about our native birds including wading and other migratory song birds as well as other bay and forest animals, and plants. Meet your naturalist-guide at the main park entrance parking lot at 9610 Old Cutler Road.

Reservations are required.

A.D. Barnes Sense of Wonder
Nature Center
3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 365-3018

• JUL 16, 6:30 pm

READING UNDER THE STARS

Free. Children from the Raices Summer Arts Camp perform fairy tales with puppets they created.

Raices Hispanic Cultural Arts Center

5510 SW 94th Ct.

(301) 271-0812

• JUL 17, 8 PM

MOCHA SOUL SERIES PRESENTS

Featuring the latest in NeoSoul talent. An event not to be missed.

Joseph Caleb Auditorium

5400 NW 22nd Ave.

(305) 636-2350

• JUL 19, 9 – 11 AM

**ECOADVENTURES: FUNDAMENTALS OF
KAYAK & CANOE FISHING**

\$15/Person. This informative workshop is geared toward fisherman of all skill levels who fish the shallow backcountry waters of South Florida in canoes, kayaks or flats boats.

The expert instructor discusses moon phases, predicting tides, baits, rigs & tackle, shallow-water boats, as well as fishing techniques and seasons. Reservations are required.

Castellow Hammock Nature Center

22301 SW 162 Ave.

(305) 242-7688

• JUL 19 – AUG 23 (SAT), 10:30 am – 12 pm

TAI CHI CLASSES

\$60. Apply your internal power with slow motion routines that promote health and longevity with instructor J. Morris. Classes are held in the Exhibit Room of the Visitor Center. Space is limited. Advance registration is required.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

• JUL 19, 8 PM

SOCIEDAD PRO-ARTE GRATELI PRESENTS CUBAN ZARZUELA

\$15-\$38.

Miami-Dade County Auditorium

2901 W Flagler St.

(305) 547-5414 or (305) 358-3558

• JUL 21 – AUG 1,

9 am – 4:30 pm

DEERING DISCOVERY CAMP: SESSION IV

\$300/Child, per session (ages 6-13). Campers explore the historic and natural environment of the estate while engaging in hands-on activities.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 22 – AUG 26 (TUE),
6 – 7:30 pm & JUL 23 – AUG 27 (WED), 10 – 11:30 am

YOGA CLASSES

\$60/six-week session. Learn how to relax, meditate and relieve stress during this six-week course with instructor M. Shulman. Class size is limited.

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- JUL 23 – SEP 30

“PRESERVING FLORIDA’S PAST: ENDANGERED” PHOTOGRAPHY

BY BRIAN CALL

Free and open to the public.

Exhibit chronicles Florida’s rich flora and fauna and man’s interaction with and preservation of it.

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16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 24 – AUG 28 (THU),

6:30 – 7:30 pm

PILATES

\$60/six-week session. Focus on improving flexibility and strength with controlled movements that engage your body and mind with instructor Celia Maluf. Class size is limited.

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(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 24 – AUG 28 (THU),

10 am – 12:30 pm

WATERCOLOR CLASS: SESSION IV

\$150/six-week session. Learn the basic techniques of watercolor and paper preparation. Learn how to achieve glowing colors and highlight effects. All levels welcome. Advance registration is required. A materials list will be provided upon registration.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 26, 4 – 7 pm

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

CONCERT SERIES

Free. Featuring The Ruby Baker Band and Inside Eye.
Southridge Park
19355 SW 114th St.
(305) 693-6236

- JUL 26 & 27,
9:30 AM – 4:30 PM
BUTTERFLY DAYS AT FAIRCHILD
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden and the Miami Blue Chapter of the North American Butterfly Association are excited to announce Butterfly Days, a weekend of events celebrating butterfly appreciation, conservation and education.
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
10901 Old Cutler Rd.
(305) 667-1651

- JUL 26, 11 am – 1 pm
JUNIOR TRAIN CREW MEMBER TRAINING CLASS
\$25 - \$75. This program offers children a unique opportunity to learn about railroading first-hand through classroom instruction and an introduction to museum operations.
Gold Coast Railroad Museum
12450 SW 152nd St.
(305) 253-0063
www.goldcoast-railroad.org

- JUL 26, 8 pm (Gate opens at 7 pm)
SUMMER CABARET CONCERT SERIES: STEPHAN MIKES,
SITAR PLAYER
\$20. The Concert Series features eclectic and world music artists in an intimate setting during the summer months. Guests are welcome to bring refreshments and snacks to enjoy during the show. Limited seating is available. Advance tickets recommended.
Deering Estate at Cutler
16701 SW 72 Ave.
(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- JUL 27, 6 PM
PROFESSIONAL SOCCER:
MIAMI FC VS. ATLANTA SILVERBACKS
Tropical Park Stadium
7900 SW 40th St.
(866) 57-MIAMI

Ongoing Activities

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- DAILY 9 AM – 4 PM
(YEAR-ROUND)
ECOADVENTURES: CRANDON PARK VISITORS & BISCAYNE NATURE CENTER
\$5/Vehicle, \$10/Bus. The Crandon Park Visitors and Biscayne Nature Center is your gateway to the Bear Cut Preserve, a 264-acre natural barrier island habitat located on

the northern tip of Key Biscayne. Guided tours and educational programs are offered year round for all ages - from low tide marine beach and wading tours, to bird watching, canoeing, kayaking, snorkeling and bicycling.

Crandon Park Visitors & Biscayne Nature Center
6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne
Parking Lot #1, North Beach Entrance
(305) 361-6767 ext. 112

- DAILY, 10:30 AM & 3 PM

DEERING HISTORIC HOUSE TOURS

Free with admission: \$7/Adults; \$5/Children (ages 4-14). This tour highlights the history surrounding the Deering Estate at Cutler and the story of Charles Deering. Guests will visit the 1st and 2nd floors of the Stone House and Richmond Cottage, as well as the basement/wine cellar of the Stone House.

Deering Estate at Cutler
16701 SW 72 Ave.
305-235-1668 ext. 233

- DAILY, 10 am – 5 pm

FREE FLIGHT AVIARY

Free with admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. Encounter rare and exotic Asian birds close-up and in free flight. Watch them build their nests and care for their young.

American Bankers Family Aviary, Wings of Asia
Miami Metrozoo
12400 SW 152 St.
(305) 251-0400 or www.miamimetrozoo.com

- DAILY, 10:30 am & 2:30 pm

BIRD FEEDINGS

Free with admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. Follow the bird keepers for fun and information while they go throughout the aviary feeding the birds.

American Bankers Family Aviary, Wings of Asia
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(305) 251-0400 or www.miamimetrozoo.com

- DAILY, 9:30 am – 5 pm

INDOOR ACTIVITIES

Free with admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. Observe ducks swimming on top of and under the water with fish and turtles through the viewing glass of the indoor, air-conditioned Observation Center. Step out behind two waterfalls to see the aviary from a duck's eye view, and learn how you can participate in local conservation efforts in the Potamkin Conservation Center.

Miami Metrozoo
12400 SW 152 St.
(305) 251-0400 or www.miamimetrozoo.com

- DAILY, 9:30 am – 5 pm

DINOSAUR ENCOUNTERS

Free with admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. View a film showing the link between dinosaurs and birds at the Field Research Center, then search for the skeleton of a 40-foot-long carnivorous dinosaur in a mock fossil excavation dig pit.

Miami Metrozoo

12400 SW 152 St.

(305) 251-0400 or www.miamimetrozoo.com

- 10 am – 5 pm

TOADSTOOL!

Free with admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. ToadStool is a place for fun, observation, learning, and is sure to delight the entire family. You can observe poison dart frogs in ferocious battles, watch blind cave fish as they swim without bumping into each other, see Emperor scorpions and meet a large Burmese python!

Commercebanc Children's Zoo

Miami Metrozoo

12400 SW 152 St.

(305) 251-0400 or www.miamimetrozoo.com

- OPEN DAILY FROM

11 am – 4 pm

THE SAMBURU GIRAFFE FEEDING STATION

\$2 + admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. You will get to feed our giraffes delicious veggie treats like romaine or iceberg lettuce, kale or collard greens. Visitors have the opportunity to walk up a custom built ramp that leads to an elevated platform overlooking the giraffe exhibit.

Miami Metrozoo

12400 SW 152 St.

(305) 251-0400 or www.miamimetrozoo.com

PINE ROCKLAND GUIDED TOUR

Free with admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. Walk through this fire-dependent habitat that the gopher tortoise, great horned owl and the Florida panther call home. Learn about the county's largest remnant of the rare native pinelands that exist nowhere else on earth. Walking tours are scheduled through the Education Department at 305-255-5551.

Miami Metrozoo

12400 SW 152 St.

www.miamimetrozoo.com

- DAILY, 1:30 PM

(with an extra show at 2:30 PM on weekends & holidays)

DIEGO'S DISCOVERY DEN

Free with admission: \$13.95/Adults; \$9.95/Children. At the Commercebanc Children's Zoo, see Diego in his Discovery Den! The star of Nick Jr.'s Go, Diego, Go!, one of the top pre-school shows on commercial television, has started his featured performances.

Miami Metrozoo

12400 SW 152 St.

(305) 251-0400 or www.miamimetrozoo.com

- MON & WED, 5 pm – 6 pm
BASKETBALL (SPECIAL OLYMPICS)
\$32/Month. 22+ w/mild/high developmental disabilities. Learn basketball skills, drills, and compete in Special Olympics games.
A.D. Barnes Park
Leisure Access Center
3401 SW 72 Ave.
(305) 665-5319

- TUE & THU, 11 am – 12 pm
WATER EXERCISE
\$40 (10 lessons). Adults with all abilities. Low impact water exercise class focusing on range of motion, strength and endurance.
A.D. Barnes Park
Leisure Access Center
3401 SW 72 Ave.
(305) 665-5319

- TUE & THU, 5 – 6 PM
SWIM TEAM (SPECIAL OLYMPICS)
\$40 (10 lessons). For people ages 22 and over with mild/high developmental disabilities. Learn swim techniques and participation in Special Olympics swim competitions. Must be able to swim.
A.D. Barnes Park
Leisure Access Center
3401 SW 72 Ave.
(305) 665-5319

- 1st WED of the month, 7:30 pm
REDLAND EVENING HERB SOCIETY
Enjoy learning about herbs and their uses.
Fruit and Spice Park
24801 SW 187 Ave.
(305) 247-5727 or www.fruitandspicepark.org

- Last WED of the month,
7:30 pm
TROPICAL FRUIT & VEGETABLE SOCIETY OF THE REDLAND
Free tasting table, plant exchange and horticultural library and monthly guest speaker lecturing on tropical fruits & vegetables.
Fruit and Spice Park
24801 SW 187 Ave.
(305) 247-5727 or www.fruitandspicepark.org

- WEDNESDAYS,
10 am – 4 pm

FREE TRAIN RIDE WEDNESDAYS

\$5/Adult, \$3/Child (ages 3-11) under

3 free. Enjoy a free ride on our Edwin Link 2-ft gauge train on Wednesdays. Trains depart at 11am & 1pm sharp. Limit 1 ride per person. Additional rides may be purchased at \$2.25 each. Fares for groups, field trips, parties, and other special events remain in effect. Model display building open 11am to 2pm.

Gold Coast Railroad Museum

12450 SW 152nd St.

(305) 253-0063

• 2nd THU of the month, 7 pm

SOUTH DADE GARDEN CLUB

In existence for 70 years, 55 years at the Park, the South Dade Garden Club is an opportunity to learn about gardening, and make some new friends.

Fruit and Spice Park

24801 SW 187 Ave.

(305) 247-5727 or www.fruitandspicepark.org

• FUN ON FRIDAYS, 6 – 10:30 pm

\$25 (per day, \$160 per month). Social- and community-based program for people ages 22 and over with mild developmental disabilities. Participate in a variety of community trips and continue working on independence and safety skills.

A.D. Barnes Park

Leisure Access Center

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 665-5319

• SAT, 8:30 am – 12:30pm (Twice a month)

SPORTS SATURDAY

(SPECIAL OLYMPICS)

\$32/Month. For people ages 22 and over with mild developmental disabilities. Come and learn a rotating schedule of sports such as track & field, tennis, basketball, bowling and compete in the Special Olympics games!

A.D. Barnes Park

Leisure Access Center

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 665-5319

• SATURDAY IN THE PARK,

9 am – 4:30 pm

\$40 (per day, \$160 per month).

Social- and community-based program for people ages 22 and over with mild developmental disabilities. Participate in a variety of community trips and continue working on independence.

A.D. Barnes Park

Leisure Access Center

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 665-5319

- EVERY SAT, 10 AM – 11 AM

ECOADVENTURES:

ARCH CREEK TRAIL TOURS

\$3/Person. Join this naturalist guided tour through a tropical hardwood hammock and find an assortment of interesting plants and animals native to South Florida.

Reservations are required.

Arch Creek Museum & Nature Center

Arch Creek Park, 1855 NE 135 St.

(305) 948-2891

- EVERY SAT, 10 AM – 1 PM

ECOADVENTURES: ARCH CREEK PARK OLETA RIVER CANOE TRIP

\$25/Adult, \$15/Child (Ages 7-14). The beauty of the Oleta River has drawn man to its shore for centuries. Launch from East Greynolds, 16700 Biscayne Blvd., North Miami Beach. Reservations are required.

Arch Creek Museum & Nature Center

Arch Creek Park, 1855 NE 135 St.

(305) 365-3018

www.miamimetrozoo.com

- EVERY SAT & SUN, 10 AM

ECOADVENTURES: GREYNOLDS PARK GUIDED NATURE WALKS

\$3/Person. Join a naturalist-guided walk around Miami-Dade County's second oldest park to discover the wonder of our local history, flora and fauna. Reservations are recommended.

Greynolds Park

17530 W Dixie Hwy.

(305) 945-3425

- EVERY SAT & SUN,

10 AM – 1 PM

ECOADVENTURES: BEAR CUT PRESERVE NATURE WALKS

\$3/Person. Learn about the invertebrates that inhabit the sea grass beds of Crandon Park as you participate in a touch tank presentation, or enjoy a leisurely walk on one of the many trails of Bear Cut Preserve. Bring your binoculars and your water shoes.

Crandon Park Visitors & Biscayne Nature Center

6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

Parking Lot #1, North Beach Entrance

(305) 361-6767, ext. 112

- EVERY SAT & SUN, 10 AM – 12 PM and 4 PM – 6 PM

ECOADVENTURES: MATHESON BAY SHORE CANOE TREK

\$25/Adult, \$15/Child (Ages 7-14). Canoe through a mangrove forest and learn about the native wading birds and other bay animals and plants of this South Florida ecosystem.

Reservations are required.

A.D. Barnes Sense of Wonder Nature Center

A.D. Barnes Park, 3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 365-3018

- SAT & SUN, 10 am – 3 pm

KAYAK RENTALS

Adults \$10/Hr. plus regular park admission; Children (Ages 9-15) \$8/Hr. plus regular park admission. Minimum 1 hour rental. Includes kayak, life vests, paddles and a small dry bag. To rent a kayak, you must be at least 21 years old. Ages of 9-20 must be accompanied by a parent or a legal guardian in the same kayak. Two people per kayak required. All rentals are subject to weather and wind conditions.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668 ext. 233

- EVERY SUN, 10 AM – 1 PM

ECOADVENTURES: GREYNOLDS PARK OLETA RIVER KAYAK TOUR

\$25/Adult, \$15/Child (ages 7-14). Join park naturalists on this guided kayak exploration of the Oleta River. Visit an archaeological site where Tequesta Indians made their home over 2000 years ago. Launch from East Greynolds, 16700 Biscayne Blvd., North Miami Beach. Reservations are required.

Greynolds Park Boathouse and Nature Center

17530 W Dixie Hwy.

(305) 365-3018