Miami-Dade Parks November 2009 Calendar of Events

(Note: Calendar events and dates and times are subject to change)

NOV 1, 8, 29, & DEC 6, 1 – 4 PM WINGS OVER MIAMI JUNIOR BIRDING PROGRAM \$25/Person

In the first session, come learn the basics of birding skills in the peaceful environment of Arch Creek Park. In the second session, put your new skills to practice as the class takes a birding field trip to get you on your way to being a birder! Certificate available. Reservations required.

Arch Creek Park 1855 NE 135 St. (305) 944-6111

NOV 1 HAIRTOPIA Hair and fashion show. Miami-Dade County Auditorium 2901 W. Flagler St. (305) 547-5414, ext. 0

NOV 3, 7 – 11 PM MOONLIGHT CANOE TOUR

\$40 adults (ages 18 and up). Space is limited; Reservations required.

Take a canoe tour across Biscayne Bay to Chicken Key under the light of the full moon! A Deering education and interpretive staff member will accompany you to Chicken Key while sharing some of the ecological facts of the bay. This night-time adventure includes a campfire and light snacks on the island.

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

NOV 6-8, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

RIBFEST 2009

National and local ribbers will congregate at the Homestead Air Reserve Park, Nov. 6-8, 2009, for Miami-Dade Parks' Ribfest 2009, to compete for the coveted prize for best ribs, pork, brisket, chicken, and sauce at the annual barbecue festival. In addition to great food, Ribfest is also the place for great entertainment with concerts by local and national rock and country music artists, and activities for the whole family to enjoy. For more information, please call Eventus at (305) 668-4343, or go to www.miamiribfest.com.

Homestead Air Reserve Park SW 288 St. and 122 Ave. Homestead, FL

NOV 7, 8 PM; NOV 8, 3 PM DIOSAS DE PAPEL Cuban theatrical comedy. Miami-Dade County Auditorium 2901 W. Flagler St. (305) 547-5414, ext. 0

NOV 7, 10 AM – 12 PM BOOK NOOK BY THE BAY

Free. with regular Estate admission - \$10 adults; \$5 children (ages 4 - 14)

Held on the first Saturday of each month, join us for "Book Nook by the Bay" where the rich resources of the Estate are open to the public for family story time, on-site eco-arts and crafts, science programs, and more! Each month, the Estate offers an environmentally themed topic, story time and a host of activities. Deering Estate at Cutler

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NOV 7, 11 AM – 4 PM FIRST FREE SATURDAY

Free Admission

On the first Saturday of every month, admission is free to the Gold Coast Railroad Museum all day, and FREE ice cream (while supplies last) from Noon to 2 p.m. For more information, call Mike Hall or Connie Greer 305-253-0063

Gold Coast Railroad Museum 12450 SW 152nd Street Miami, FL 33177 Adjacent to Metro Zoo

NOV 8, 8 – 11AM

CHICKEN KEY CANOE TOUR

\$25 adults; \$15 children (ages 9 - 14)

Enjoy guided canoe tours of Biscayne Bay that depart from Charles Deering's boat turning basin to Chicken Key, a seven-acre mangrove island and restored bird rookery one mile off shore. The island contains sand dunes and mangrove forests and is surrounded by sand bars, tidal flats, seagrass beds, and rocky debris. Observe marine wildlife such as manatees and sea turtles, as well as numerous species of birds. The program is designed for beginners and experts alike. Please bring closed-toe shoes, comfortable clothes, water, a hat, and sunscreen.

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NOV 10, 8 PM US NAVY JAZZ BAND Free. Miami-Dade County Auditorium 2901 W. Flagler St. (305) 547-5414, ext. 0

NOV 13, 7 PM ("MEET THE ARTIST" RECEPTION AT 6:30 PM) LIVING ARTIST CONCERT SERIES "TRIBUTE" \$25

The Chamber Music Series "Tribute" will feature the Deering Estate's Chamber Ensemble with music by Louis Ferdinand of Prussian, A. Copeland, E. Korngold and Composer in Residence Judith Shatin. Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave

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NOV 14, 8 PM LOLITA IN CONCERT \$82, \$72, \$52/Person Mexican recording artist performing a tribute to her mother, Lola Flores. Miami-Dade County Auditorium 2901 W. Flagler St. (305) 547-5414, ext. 0

NOV 14 & 15, 10 AM – 5 PM GREAT GREEN FAMILY FESTIVAL \$7/Adults; children under 11 admitted free

In its second year, this festival showcases "eco-friendly" living including:

local & organic farmer's market, alternative energy, vehicles & fuels, medicinal herbs, oils, teas, natural foods, and culinary plants. Live musical entertainment, lectures & children's activities. Services include aromatherapy, yoga, tai chi, healing touch, and chair massage.

Fruit & Spice Park 24801 SW 187 Ave. (305) 247-5727

NOV 14, 7 AM – 5 PM

ECOADVENTURES: INDIAN KEY CANOE & SNORKEL ADVENTURE

\$ 50/Person (For Ages 9 and above)

This is truly an EcoAdventure! Jump in our Eco-van with your naturalist-guide as we make our way to Indian Key, the first government seat of Miami-Dade County. Explore the island by canoe, just as the first settlers did in the 1800s. Snorkel in the clear waters and surrounding coral reefs which are teeming with wildlife! Join us as we retell historic events and spend the day exploring the island on foot. Wear closed-toe water shoes. Bring your own lunch. Trip leaves from A.D. Barnes Park Sense of Wonder Nature Center. This adventure will also be offered November 28. Reservations required.

A.D. Barnes Sense of Wonder Nature Center

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 365-3018

NOV 14, 8 AM – 1 PM

ECOADVENTURES: A DAY IN THE EVERGLADES

\$45/person

Bring your binoculars on this van trip with experienced birding guides in search of resident and migratory birds from Anhinga Trail to Flamingo in Everglades National Park. Participants should pack a lunch. This adventure is also being offered December 10. Meet at Everglades National Park Ernest Coe Visitor Center Parking Lot, 40001 State Road 9336, Homestead. Transportation provided. Reservations required.

Castellow Hammock Park 22301 Southwest 162 Ave. (305) 242-7688

NOV 15 & 22, 11 AM - 1 PM

FAMILY FISHING

\$15/Person; \$5 parking

Enjoy the basics of fishing along the serene Oleta River. Encounter our local fish while learning how to bait, cast and hook in our catch and release program. Hear fish lore stories and how to engage in stewardship practices.

Arch Creek Park 1855 NE 135 St. (305) 944-6111

Sunday, November 15

BAY CRUISES ON THE PELICAN ISLAND SKIPPER

2:00 - 4:00 pm (please arrive at 1:30 pm)

\$35 per person

All ages are welcome

Bay Cruises are offered on the "Pelican Island Skipper," a 45-foot Corinthian Catamaran. The boat will depart from the Deering Estate and will explore the waters of Biscayne Bay. A Deering Education and Interpretive Staff Member will educate passengers on birds, sea mammals, Native Americans, and early pioneers. The vessel complies with Coast Guard regulations and is ADA accessible. Weather and water conditions are closely monitored prior to departure. Trips may be cancelled and rescheduled due to weather conditions. Space is limited. To reserve your space please call 305-235-1668 ext. 233.

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NOV 20, 8 PM VIBRANT WOMEN FASHION SHOW Fashion show.
Miami-Dade County Auditorium
2901 W. Flagler St.
(305) 547-5414, ext. 0
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NOV 21 – 22, 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM RAMBLE-A-GARDEN FESTIVAL

South Florida's most loved and oldest garden party. Experience a blend of old traditions and new introductions with Nell's Tea Garden, the largest plant sale in South Florida, antiques and collectibles, garden themed art, old and rare books, our famous Kid Way, live music and a ramble raffle of more than 60 items.

Fairchild Tropical Garden 10901 Old Cutler Road (305) 667-1651, ext. 3392

NOV 22, 7 PM ALEXIS VALDES \$77, \$67, \$47/Person Cuban comedian. Miami-Dade County Auditorium 2901 W. Flagler St. (305) 547-5414, ext. 0

NOV 27, 11 AM - 5 PM

LUMPY SUE ACOUSTIC MUSICFEST

Free. \$5.00/car; \$10.00/bus or RV

Come enjoy a relaxed and mellow alternative to the frenzy of the holidays. Enjoy the music. Bring your blankets and coolers.

Greynolds Park

17530 W. Dixie Hwy.

(305) 945-3425 or (305) 948-2891

NOV 27 – 29, 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM WALK THE TURKEY TRAIL FRIDAY

There's one thing that just about everyone indulges in, and that's Thanksgiving dinner. When you arrive at the zoo, you'll be given a chart that tells you how many calories are in each item of a typical Thanksgiving meal. Starting at the entrance gates, the zoo will be marked with mile, half and quarter mile markers so you can keep track of the miles you need to walk to burn off your Thanksgiving dinner! Miami MetroZoo

12400 SW 152 St. (305) 251-0400

NOV 28, 10 AM - 12 PM (MEET AT THE VISITOR'S CENTER AT 9:45 AM)

ECO BIKE TOUR

\$25/Person; \$20/Person (ride your own bike)

Ride along the trails and explore the scenic landscapes while learning about the Estate's historic past. Held on the fourth Saturday of each month.

Deering Estate at Cutler

16701 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 235-1668, ext. 233

NOV 28, 2 - 6 PM

ECOADVENTURES: EVERGLADES PHOTOGRAPHY SUNSET TOUR

\$35/Person

Join award-winning naturalists and photographers, Roger Hammer and Paul Marcellini, on this leisurely walk in Everglades National Park to photograph wildflowers, butterflies, and stunning Everglades sunsets over Pine Glades Lake. Meet at Everglades National Park Ernest Coe Visitor Center Parking Lot, 40001 State Road 9336, Homestead.

Transportation provided. Reservations required.

Castellow Hammock Park

22301 Southwest 162 Ave.

(305) 242-7688

Ongoing Activities

DAILY, 10:30 a.m. & 3 p.m.

DEERING HISTORIC HOUSE TOURS

Free with admission to the Estate.

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.

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DAILY, 12:30 p.m.

NATURAL AREA TOURS

Free with admission to the Estate.

Join a naturalist guide and walk in the footsteps of Florida's first people. Hike through a lush forest of tropical hardwood trees and clinging vines down the Native American footpath that, near the end of the nineteenth century, would become the first Cutler Road/Ingram Highway.

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(305)235-1668 ext. 233

DAILY 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (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., Kev Biscavne

Parking Lot #1, North Beach Entrance

(305) 361-6767, Ext. 112

DAILY, 9:30 a.m. - Noon

ECOADVENTURES: CRANDON PARK'S KAYAK ADVENTURE

\$ 30/Per Person (For Ages 9 and Above) Kayak along the beautiful shallow waters of Key Biscayne and explore the protected areas of Bear Cut Preserve where land meets the sea. Join us as we discover the tropical fish, spotted eagle rays, sea stars, and coastal birds that share this fragile and unique environment. This trip is a great introduction to kayaking and snorkeling and we are certain it will be the highlight of your visit to Crandon Park. Reservations are required.

Crandon Park Visitors & Biscayne Nature Center

6767 Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne

Parking Lot #1, North Beach Entrance

305-365-3018

DAILY, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

FREE FLIGHT AVIARY

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 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.

BIRD FEEDINGS

Follow the bird keepers for fun and information while they go throughout the aviary feeding the birds.

American Bankers Family Aviary, Wings of Asia

Miami Metrozoo

12400 SW 152 St.

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

DAILY, 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

INDOOR ACTIVITIES

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 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

DINOSAUR ENCOUNTERS

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

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m

TOADSTOOL!

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!

Commercebank Children's Zoo

Miami MetroZoo

12400 SW 152 St.

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

Open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m

THE SAMBURU GIRAFFE FEEDING STATION

Cost: \$2. 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

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 exists 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

At the Commercebank 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, 11 AM – NOON

LOW IMPACT WATER EXERCISES

\$30/10 sessions

Water exercises for adults to promote joint flexibility, muscle strength, coordination, and balance.

Palm Springs North Pool

7901 NW 176 St.

(305) 945-3425

Mondays & Wednesdays, 5pm-6pm

BASKETBALL TEAM

\$40 monthly

Learn basketball skills and drills. Compete in the Special Olympics. For adults 21+ with developmental disabilities.

3401 SW 72nd Ave Miami, FL

305-665-5319

MON, WED & FRI, 11 AM - 12 PM

LOW IMPACT WATER EXERCISES

\$45/15 sessions

Water exercises for adults to promote joint flexibility, muscle strength, coordination, and balance.

Tamiami Park

11201 SW 24 St.

(305) 222-2128

MON - FRI, 8:30 AM -2:30 PM

ADULT DAY TRAINING

\$117.50/week

Adults 18 and over with Developmental Disabilities participate in a meaningful day of activities. Goaloriented activities focus on life skills, social skills, community integration, self-help, nutrition, hygiene, art, dance, and fitness. Our person-centered approach includes a team involving the participant, parents/guardian, staff and others who work together to create an individualized implementation plan.

AD Barnes Park

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 665-5319 / (305) 669-4052

Mondays-Fridays, 2:30pm-5:30pm

ADULT AFTERCARE

\$45 weekly

Adults 18+ with developmental disabilities will be provided a guided learning environment in which they will learn leisure activities, physical fitness, continue developing and exercising appropriate social skills, teamwork, and daily living skills.

A.D. Barnes Park

3401 SW 72nd Ave Miami, FL

305-665-5319

August 24, 2009-June 9, 2010

Mondays-Fridays, 2pm-6pm

OUT OF SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Free

Children participate in a variety of activities including, but not limited to sports, arts & crafts, homework help, field trips, and literacy. Program will run full day on teacher planning days and most holidays

Coral Estates Park

1405 SW 97th Ave Miami, FL

305-226-1622

Goulds Park

11350 SW 216 St Miami, FL

305-234-1673

Camp Matecumbe

13841 SW 120th St Miami, FL

305-752-4966

Tamiami Park

11201 SW 24th St Miami, FL

305-222-2128

Westwind Lakes

6805 SW 152nd Ave Miami, FL

305-380-9106

Greynolds Park

17530 West Dixie Highway North Miami Beach, FL

305-945-3425

TUE & THU, 9 AM - NOON

PLAYING TUNES BEFORE NOON

\$35/7 sessions (30-minute sessions)

Keyboard lessons for adults of all abilities. Beginner and Intermediate levels welcomed.

Greynolds Park

18601 NE 22 Ave.

(305) 945-3425

TUE & THU, 9:45 - 11 AM

TAI CHI

Free.

Learn 12 slow flowing movements that will improve balance and flexibility and reduce stress.

Westwind Lakes Park

6805 SW 152 Ave.

(305) 234-1673

TUE & THU. 11 AM - NOON

LOW IMPACT WATER EXERCISES

\$30/10 sessions

Water exercises for adults to promote joint flexibility, muscle strength, coordination, and balance.

A.D. Barnes Park

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 226-1622

TUE & THU, 11 AM - NOON

LOW IMPACT WATER EXERCISES

\$30/10 sessions

Water exercises for adults to promote joint flexibility, muscle strength, coordination, and balance.

Goulds Pool

21805 SW 114 Ave.

(305) 234-1673

TUE & THU, 12 - 1 PM

FITNESS SWIMMING

\$30/10 sessions

Lap swimming for adults 18 and up who have physical disabilities and sensory impairments. Participants must be able to swim already. Instruction on stroke refinement will be provided.

Goulds Pool

21805 SW 114 Ave.

(305) 382-8160

TUE, THU, FRI LEARN TO SWIM

\$30/10 classes

Swimming classes for children and adults with physical disabilities. Various times.

Goulds Pool

21805 SW 114 Ave.

(305) 382-8160

TUE & THU

8 – 9 AM (LOW IMPACT); 9 – 10 AM (HIGH IMPACT)

AEROBIC AQUATICS

\$30/10 sessions

Learn a variety of aquatic exercise techniques facilitated by a certified instructor. Improve your endurance, circulation, balance, and much more.

Rockway Pool

9760 SW 27 Dr.

(305) 752-4966

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5pm-6pm

SWIM TEAM

\$40 monthly

Learn swim techniques and participate in Special Olympics swim competitions. Participants must have basic swimming skills. For adults 21+ with developmental disabilities.

A.D. Barnes Park

3401 SW 72nd Ave Miami, FL

305-665-5319

WED, 3 – 4 PM

FITNESS SWIMMING

\$30/10 sessions

Lap swimming for adults 18 and above who have physical disabilities and sensory impairments.

Participants must be able to swim already. Instruction on stroke refinement will be provided.

Palm Springs North Pool

7901 NW 176 St.

(305) 382-8160

WED, 5:30 – 6:30 PM (through December)

ASSIST FOR AUTISM

\$35 for 8 sessions

Program for children with autism ages 6 & up. Learn the fundamentals of basketball such as defense, dribbling, passing, and shooting.

Coral Estates Park

1405 SW 97th Ave.

Miami, FL

305-226-1622

FRIDAY FENCING CLUB

August 28, 2009-Jun 4, 2010

Fridays 5:30-6:30pm (children)

6:30-7:30pm (adults)

\$35 per 8 sessions

Fencing instruction for children and adults with physical disabilities.

Tamiami Park

11201 SW 24th St Miami, FL

305-222-2128

FRI, 6 - 10:30 PM

FUN ON FRIDAYS

\$40/weekly

Ongoing program for adults with developmental disabilities. Participate in social programs with community trips and indoor activities. Work on life and safety skills.

AD Barnes Park

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 665-5319 / (305) 669-4052

SAT, 9 AM – 4:30 PM

SATURDAYS IN THE PARK

\$40/weekly

Ongoing program for adults with developmental disabilities. Participate in social programs with community trips and indoor activities. Work on life and safety skills.

AD Barnes Park

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 665-5319 / (305) 669-4052

SAT, 1-3 PM

GOALBALL

Free.

Learn and practice the competitive game of Goalball. For children and adults with visual impairments.

NFL YET Center

7090 NW 22 Ave.

(305) 234-1673

SAT. 10 AM - 12 PM

JR. WHEELCHAIR SPORTS

\$40/10 sessions

Participate in rotating wheelchair sports clinics including but not limited to basketball, tennis, fencing, and hand-cycling.

Camp Matecumbe

13841 SW 120 St.

(305) 382-8160

SAT, 9 – 10 AM (BEGINNERS); 10 – 11 AM (ADVANCED)

WHEELCHAIR TENNIS

Free

Learn how to play wheelchair tennis from a professional. This program is open to children and adults ages 9 and up with physical disabilities.

Big Five Tennis Club

600 SW 92 Ave.

(305) 382-8160

SAT. 11:30 AM - 1 PM

FITNESS SWIMMING

\$30/10 sessions

Lap swimming for individuals ages 9 - 20 who have physical disabilities and sensory impairments.

Participants must be able to swim already. Instruction on stroke refinement will be provided.

A.D. Barnes Park

3401 SW 72 Ave.

(305) 382-8160

Saturdays, 3pm-5pm

JUDO FOR PEOPLE WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS

Free

Participants will learn the fundamentals of Judo from a USA Judo instructor. Opportunities for competition will also be available. This program is opened to individuals 6 and up with visual impairments.

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