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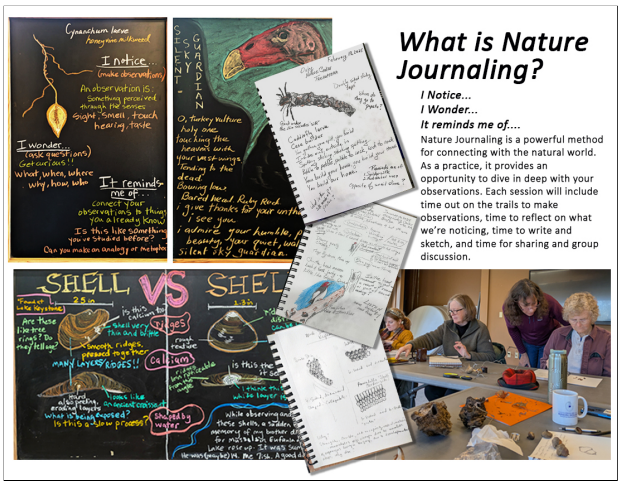
New Session of Nature Journaling Begins April 10th!

Come join us for this exciting 6-week session!



Introducing Oxley's 2025 Artist-in-Residence: Matt Moffett

"I am thrilled to be the 2025 Oxley Nature Center Art Resident! My goal is to capture the essence of nature through my artwork and share that passion with the public" Moffett said. "Oxley Nature Center is a hidden gem for hiking and birdwatching here in Tulsa, and I look forward to finding my own Walden in my hometown and showcasing it to everyone."

With 28 years of teaching and artistic experience in Tulsa, Matt Moffett co-founded The Tulsa Girls Art School and currently teaches painting classes at Ziegler's. He brings extensive knowledge from his participation in several international art residencies and is eager to focus on creating cyanotypes and daily paintings during his time at Oxley Nature Center.

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Mary K. Oxley Nature Center - April Programs

Call 918-596-9054 to register for any program that requires pre-registration.

Project FeederWatch – last month!
Every Thursday and Friday in April 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Stay warm inside while helping collect community science data to submit to Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. We'll teach you all that you need to know. Bird watching and learning has never been so much fun! No registration required and all ages are welcome!

Spring Discovery Walks
Fridays at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., and Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
These informal walks will be facilitated by Oxley staff naturalists. Meet by the message board in the parking lot and we'll walk together to see what the trails have to show us. These are free, drop-in events for all ages and abilities.

Saturday Morning Birding
April 5, 8:00 – 9:45 a.m.
All ages and skill levels are welcome for this free drop-in Birding Walk, guided by Oxley Natural Resources Coordinator, Josh Smith. Bring binoculars if you have them!

Oxley Green Teens!
April 5, 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
This program is for 13-18 year-old nature enthusiasts interested in having a positive impact on the environment and we are still accepting participants! Please feel free to call us (ask for Lisa or Maggie) if you or anyone you know is interested.

*Little Seedlings; April's theme: "Rain Makes Rainbows"
April 8 and 11, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
This program for curious little nature-lovers (ages 1-5) and their caregivers includes a craft and a guided trail walk to explore the theme of the month; (The Tuesday and Friday sessions are the same).

***Cyanotype Workshop with Matt Moffett**
April 12, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Cyanotypes are a blue-colored print made by exposing a UV sensitive paper to light. This method has been in use for almost 200 years as an alternative to photography. Participants, (ages 16 and up) will learn from Oxley's resident artist, Matt Moffett, to create and print their own designs to take home. There are just a few spots left - join us!

***Full Pink Moon Walk**
April 12, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Small, guided groups explore the trails by night. All ages welcome!

***Nature Journaling Group**
Meets on Thursdays from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Nature Journaling is a powerful method for connecting with the more-than-human world. As a practice, it provides an opportunity to dive in deep with your observations. Each session will include time out on the trails to make observations, time to reflect on what we're noticing, time to write and sketch, and time for optional sharing and group discussion. You can join the group any time!

Saturday Morning Botany Walk
April 19, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Oxley Naturalists guide this free drop-in event, where we explore the lives of plants in the forest, prairie, and wetlands, and how they are responding to the seasonal changes.

Spring Bird Count
April 24th, 8:30 a.m.
Come join us for this annual event! Meet at the Oxley Nature Center parking lot at 8:30AM. There is no registration required. Bring binoculars, and/or camera, if you have them, water, lunch, and bug spray.

All About Nature Book club
April 25, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Join us for a discussion of books related to nature, conservation, and the environment. April's selection: "The Forest Unseen: A Year's Watch in Nature" by David George Haskell

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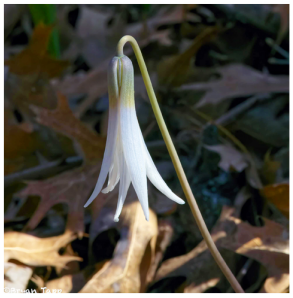
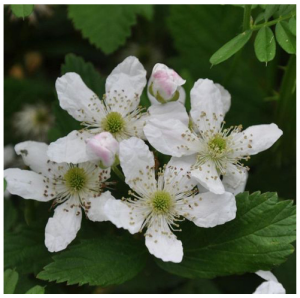

OXLEY NATURE CENTER HOURS

Interpretive Center hours are 10-4:30PM Tuesday through Saturday, and Noon - 4:30PM on Sunday.

After Interpretive Center hours, trails are open for hiking until 9:00 PM.

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