

# Bells Bend Outdoor Center

## July & August 2010 Programs



### July Schedule

#### Archaeology Summer

There will be a field school conducting research on Native American culture during the Paleo Period throughout Bells Bend this summer with base operations at Bells Bend Outdoor Center. The field school will be a joint effort between the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, the University of Arizona, Tucson, and the Southeastern Paleoamerican Survey, Inc. There will be regular lectures each week open to the public beginning usually at 7:00 p.m. To learn specifics, call the center or visit <http://bellsbend.pidba.org/>.

Archaeology and  
Americana Art Exhibit  
Continues throughout July  
Age Level: All ages

Enjoy a summer of archaeology and history at  
Bells Bend Outdoor Center by viewing artwork by  
state archaeologist emeritus Nick Fielder



Fears of Nature's Friends  
Saturday, July 3 & 31  
10:00 a.m.  
Age Level: All Ages  
call to register

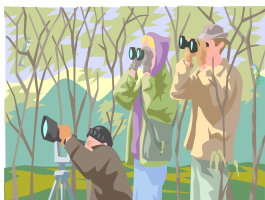
Learn more about snakes, spiders, and ticks. We'll  
explore the habits, homes, and personalities of our  
misunderstood friends. The majority of the pro-  
gram will be in the Bells Bend Outdoor Center, on  
the back porch weather permitting, and around the  
center.  
Leader: Jeremy Childs

Jr. Naturalist Pond Studies  
Thursday, July 8  
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Age Level: All Ages  
call to register

Ponds are inhabited by many  
interesting creatures that are often  
unobserved. This program introduces  
children to the life of a pond and helps us monitor  
water quality. Be prepared to get wet!  
Leader: Perrin Ireland

Intro to Archaeological  
Project  
Thursday, July 8  
7:00 p.m.  
call to register

Introduction to the 2010 Bells Bend  
Archaeological Project  
This lecture will give an overview of the survey  
about to begin in Bells Bend. Meet the archaeolo-  
gists conducting the research, learn specifics about  
lectures to attend, and how to help.



Birding for Beginners  
Saturday, July 17  
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  
Age Level: All ages  
call to register

Can't tell a Blue Jay from a Bluebird? Learn the  
basics of bird watching, such as how to use  
binoculars and what to look for when you see a  
bird. We'll start in the classroom and put it to use  
in the field.  
Leader: Tony Lance

**Please call and register**  
**(615) 862-4187 or (615) 568-8709**



**BONES! (Part 1)**  
Thursday, July 22  
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Age Level: All ages  
call to register

Come and join our new seasonal staffer, Jaimie, for a hands-on learning experience in Human Osteology: Learning about the bones of the human body, the skeleton as a whole, and how human remains can give us insight into the past.  
Leader: Jaimie Ide

**Hike the Battle of Bells Mill**  
Saturday, July 24  
9:00 a.m.  
Age Level: All ages  
call to registers

Hike to the site of the Battle of Bells Mill. Discuss the battle, participants, tactics, importance, naval warfare during the civil war, and the outcome of battle. Learn details of the life of Lt. Col. David Campbell Kelley, commander of CSA troops, as well as history of the Neosho, an iron side war boat that withstood over 100 direct cannon hits during the battle.  
Leader: Jeremy Childs

## August Schedule



**BONES! (Part 2)**  
Thursday, August 5  
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Age Level: All ages  
call to register

Now that you know all about human bones, let's take a look at animal bones. Join us for a hands-on learning experience in Zooarchaeology: the study of animal remains found during archaeology and what these bones can teach us about past cultures.  
Leader: Jaimie Ide

**The Results!**  
Tuesday, August 10  
7:00 p.m.  
Age Level: All ages

**The Results of the Bells Bend Archaeological Project**  
Learn what the archaeologists found during the summer field school.

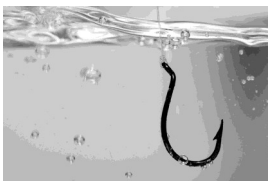
**Hike the Battle of Bells Mill**  
Saturday, August 14  
9:00a.m.  
Age Level: All ages  
call to registers

Hike to the site of the Battle of Bells Mill. Discuss the battle, participants, tactics, importance, naval warfare during the civil war, and the outcome of battle. Learn detail of the life of Lt. Col. David Campbell Kelley, commander of CSA troops, as well as history of the Neosho, an iron side war boat that withstood over 100 direct cannon hits during the battle.  
Leader: Jeremy Childs



**Night Hike**  
Thursday, August 19  
8:00p.m.- 9:30p.m.  
Age level: All Ages  
call to register

Come explore the park after dark with a naturalist. We will look and listen for owls and other animals of the night.  
Leader: Bells Bend Staff



**Jr. Naturalist Fishing!**  
Friday, August 20  
5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.  
Age Level: 6-12 yrs  
call to register

Earn credit towards your Jr. Naturalist patch by learning about the local fish at the Bells Bend Outdoor Center and catch some to see them up close.  
Leaders: Bells Bend Staff

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## August Schedule



Family Camp Night  
Friday, August 27  
Saturday, August 28  
4:30 p.m.-noon  
Limited to 10 Families  
call to register

Come bring your own equipment and spend the night at our campground. Your family will get the unique experience of Bells Bend after dark.  
Leader: Chris Guerin



Farming: A Bells Bend Tradition  
Saturday, August 28  
9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.  
Age Level: All Ages

The continuation of a farming lifestyle is what makes all of Bells Bend special. This program will focus on the park garden and include the history of farming on site.  
Leader: Bells Bend Staff & Friends of Bells Bend

### Green facts By Chicago Tribune

1. Invest in a programmable thermostat and set it way up or down (when everyone's at work/school, and asleep at night); program it to turn "on" shortly before folks get home/wake up.
2. Set your hot water heater no higher than 120 degrees.
3. Paper or plastic? Neither! Take a cloth bag with you to the grocery store.

## Check out the special Sunday dates when you can come visit the Bells Bend Outdoor Center!

**July 11, 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**July 25, 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**August 8, 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

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4187 Old Hickory Blvd  
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www.nashville.gov/parks/nature

Tuesday: 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 12:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
and by appointment

Bells Bend Park is open 7 days a week from dawn till dusk  
Check out programs at the other Metro Parks Nature Centers, too.  
www.nashville.gov/parks/nature

### For Safety and Security Needs Contact:

Park Police Office: 615-880-3429

Non-life threatening emergencies: 615-862-8600 Life Threatening Emergencies: 911



For assistance or accommodation, please contact the Bell Bend Outdoor Center, 615-862-4187.

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