



Center for Lifelong Learning Course Schedule November 2009 - April 2010

Discover Aullwood's Center for Lifelong Learning! Learning truly is a lifelong adventure and Aullwood has many exciting opportunities. Our youngest naturalists receive their first introductions to the natural world with preschool classes that inspire imagination and wonder. Adults are challenged to learn nature's secrets, enjoy a new hobby, or take an eco-tour to an exciting place. Review class listings and discover a world filled with adventure.

Adult Classes

Winter Tree Identification Workshop

Marie S. Aull Education Center
January 9, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Identification of trees in the winter may seem difficult, but it can be more fun than when they are in leaf. Learn how to use tree shape, twigs, bark, seeds and more to become an expert in telling an oak from a maple. This workshop will begin indoors with a discussion and study of twig samples. An outdoor field study will enable participants to learn winter tree identification skills. Participants will make their own twig collection to take home. Bring hand pruners and dress for the weather.

Course Id: WTI-01-10

Price: \$35 member FoA,
\$45 non-member

Class limit: 15 (8 minimum)

Level: Beginning / Intermediate

Instructor: Tom Hissong

Certification:

Audubon Naturalist / Plants
Audubon Home Ecologist / Natural
History

*Please sign up early for these
educational opportunities.
This ensures that we enroll
the minimum people required
to hold the program.*

Winter Bird Identification Workshop

Marie S. Aull Education Center
January 23, 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Winter is a great season to sharpen your bird ID skills and to study avian behavior. This workshop will help you improve your winter bird watching skills, whether you're just starting out or are an experienced birder. The program will begin with an indoor session to review basic natural history, field ID, and vocalizations of Ohio's most common winter birds. Then we'll migrate to Spring Valley Wildlife Area in Greene County for some bird watching. This unique birding spot provides a variety of habitats to explore and a diversity of birds to observe. Bring a bag lunch and binoculars. Dress for the weather!

Course Id: WB-01-10

Price: \$50 Member FoA,
\$60 non-member

Class Limit: 25 (8 minimum)

Level: Beginning

Instructor: Tom Hissong

Certification:

Audubon Naturalist / Animals
Audubon Home Ecologist / Natural
History

*For the requirements of
Aullwood's Naturalist
Certification program visit
Aullwood's website and click on
the "special events and classes"
banner.*

Ohio's Hawks and Owls Workshop

Marie S. Aull Education Center
February 4, 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.
February 6, Field Trip,
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

This workshop will explore the field identification and natural history of Ohio's hawks and owls. A lecture on identification and natural history, display of specimens, and a chance to meet Aullwood's beautiful red-tailed hawk, will enable participants to gain a greater appreciation for birds of prey. Hands-on activities will include dissecting an owl pellet. A field trip will be taken to Killdeer Plains Wildlife Area near Kenton, Ohio to observe hawks and owls (car pooling is suggested). Dress for the weather.

Course Id: HO-01-10

Price: \$60 member FoA,
\$95 non-member

Class limit: 25 (8 minimum)

Level: Beginning / Intermediate

Instructor: Tom Hissong

Certification:

Audubon Naturalist / Animals
Audubon Home Ecologist / Natural
History

Adult Classes

Flute Making Workshop

Marie S. Aull Education Center
February 13, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Go green and make music. In this workshop you will make a PVC pipe sing, creating an original Native American flute. After making a flute, you will learn how to play and create melodies. Then you can go out on your own and serenade the natural world. You will use some power and carving tools. You may also paint your flute. Weather and time permitting we will go on a short walk and listen to the sounds around us that may inspire music. Dress for the weather. Bring a sack lunch.

Course Id: FM-01-10

Price: \$35 member FoA,
\$45 non-member

Class limit: 20 (5 minimum)

Level: Beginning

Instructor: Chris Rowlands

Certification:

Audubon Naturalist / General Interest
Audubon Home Ecologist / General Interest

Wild Wonderful Waterfowl Workshop

Marie S. Aull Education Center
March 18, 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.
March 20, field trip,
6:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

The honking chorus of a skein of Canada geese winging their way south in the cold autumn sky, sparkling droplets of water on the crest of an elegant male wood duck, soft blue flashing wings of a flock of blue-winged teal and the exciting water "strutting" behavior of a raft of courting male red-breasted mergansers are all images of waterfowl in Ohio.

Explore the fascinating world of Ohio's loons, grebes, swans, geese,

ducks and other fascinating water birds. A special presentation will introduce participants to classification, field identification and vocalization, natural history, legend and lore, migration patterns, reference materials and other interesting information about this unique group of birds.

A waterfowling field trip will be taken to Lake Erie and other areas in northern Ohio to observe these remarkable birds. Dress for the weather. Carpooling is suggested.

Course Id: WWW-01-10

Price: \$60 member FoA,
\$95 non-member

Class limit: 25 (8 minimum)

Level: Beginning / Intermediate

Instructor: Tom Hissong

Certification:

Audubon Naturalist / Animals
Audubon Home Ecologist / Natural History

Eco - Tours

Ohio Spring Birding Foray

April 23 - 25, 2010

Have you dreamed of seeing 150 species of birds in a weekend? Spring in Ohio is a fantastic time to be outdoors enjoying the natural world. Beautiful wild flowers, trees leafing out, and returning migratory birds are part of the magic of spring. If you are interested in observing and learning about the spring birds, this is a perfect trip for you. Join Tom Hissong, Education Coordinator, for three exciting days of watching birds. On the first day we will start in southern Ohio at Shawnee State Park and Forest and in the afternoon we will travel to Scioto Trails State Park near Chillicothe. The second day will begin with an early visit to Tar

Hollow State Park and Forest and then a journey north to Killdeer Plains Wildlife Area. On Sunday we will watch birds across Ohio's Lake Erie marsh region. The goal of the trip is to see 150+ species of birds. We will also enjoy the other beauties of spring (wildflowers, trees, etc.) that we encounter. Binoculars and field guides are required.

Depart from Aullwood at 5:00 a.m.

Friday April 23th

Return to Aullwood at 9:00 p.m. Sunday, April 25th

Price: \$450 Member FoA,
\$500 non-member*
(\$125 single room supplement)

Price includes: Van transportation, 2 nights motel lodging, all written materials (check lists, maps, etc.), all entrance fees and Aullwood naturalist guides. Meals are not included in the trip fee. If you would like more information and to be placed on a list please contact Tom Hissong, Education Coordinator, at (937) 890-7360 or thissong@audubon.org.

Course Id: SBF-10

Class Limit: 14 (7 minimum)

Leader: Tom Hissong

Certification:

Audubon Naturalist / Trip
Audubon Home Ecologist / Trip

Reserve your space by March 1 with a non-refundable deposit of \$50 (deposit will be refunded if trip is cancelled). Full payment must be made by March 30 and will not be refunded in the event of your cancellation.



Center for Lifelong Learning Registration Form

Prepaid registration is required. Please register early – classes and trips fill up quickly!

Aullwood's **Center for Lifelong Learning** has developed two certification programs to expand your knowledge of our natural world and to help improve the quality and sustainability of everyday life. The **Audubon Naturalist** certification focuses on natural history and ecology while the **Audubon Home Ecologist** certification has an emphasis on sustainable living habits that enrich our everyday lives. If you have any questions, call Larry Brown or Tom Hissong at (937) 890-7360. Completed forms can be mailed to: Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm, 1000 Aullwood Rd, Dayton, OH 45414.

Notices will be sent to confirm enrollment in classes. Some non-member class fees will include a membership in Friends of Aullwood

Course Id: _____ Fee: _____ Course Id: _____ Fee: _____

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Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

If registering for children's program:

Child's name: _____ Age: _____

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Method of payment: __ Cash __ Check enclosed __ Charge my credit card:

VISA / MasterCard Account Number: _____
(circle one) Expiration Date: _____

- I am interested in the Audubon Naturalist Certification program.
 I am interested in the Audubon Home Ecologist Certification program.

There will be no refund for a cancellation(s) within 7 days of the first class session. A \$5.00 processing fee will be charged for any cancellation(s) made within 7 days of the first class session. If Aullwood must cancel a class or trip a full refund will be made.