

# Sunday April 20th

## 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm "Fish Facts"

Learn how researchers capture fish, identify them and collect "fish facts" during this walk and demonstration (S.C. Dept. of Natural Resources)

## 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm "Snakes Alive!"

Learn about the snakes of Congaree National Park, and then join a snake expert to look for snakes along park trails. (Riverbanks Zoo and Gardens)

## 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm "Owl Puke"

## 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm "Unbelievable Bats"

It's not Gotham City, but we do have lots of bats at the park! Learn all about them in this hour long presentation. (SC Parks and Recreation)

## 2:00 pm - 5:00pm "Weston Lake Wilderness Hike"

Walk among countless species of plants and animals and learn about the pristine wilderness of Congaree National Park. (NPS)

## 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm "Primitive Technologies"

Crafting primitive tools from plants and animals found in South Carolina is nearly a lost art. (Hammond School)

## 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm "Ravaging Raptors"



# NatureFest 2008



## Exhibit Tables

Clemson University (*Bogmint Beauties, Spider Spotters*)  
City of Columbia Parks  
Friends of Congaree Swamp  
Midlands Astronomy Club  
Richland County Vector Control  
Robust Redhorse Conservation Committee  
S.C. Association of Naturalists  
S.C. Dept. of Health and Environmental Control  
S.C. Dept. of Natural Resources  
*(Reptiles and "Reel Info", Crayfish)*  
S.C. Forestry Commission & NPS (*Firewise*)  
Student Conservation Association  
*(Exotic Plant Management)*  
U.S. Forest Service  
U.S. Geological Survey (*Mercury*)

NatureFest celebrates National Park Week, Earth Day, National Environmental Education Week, and National Junior Ranger Day. Programs led by scientists, naturalists, park rangers and other professionals will give you the chance to explore the natural beauty of Congaree with knowledgeable guides.

Indoor presentations are approximately an hour in length. Outdoor programs generally last 1½ to 2 hours. Follow posted signs for event locations.

ALL PROGRAMS ARE FREE OF CHARGE!  
ASK A RANGER FOR MORE INFORMATION.

FREE PARKING SHUTTLE SCHEDULE  
SAT: 10am - 6pm      SUN: 10am - 4pm

National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior



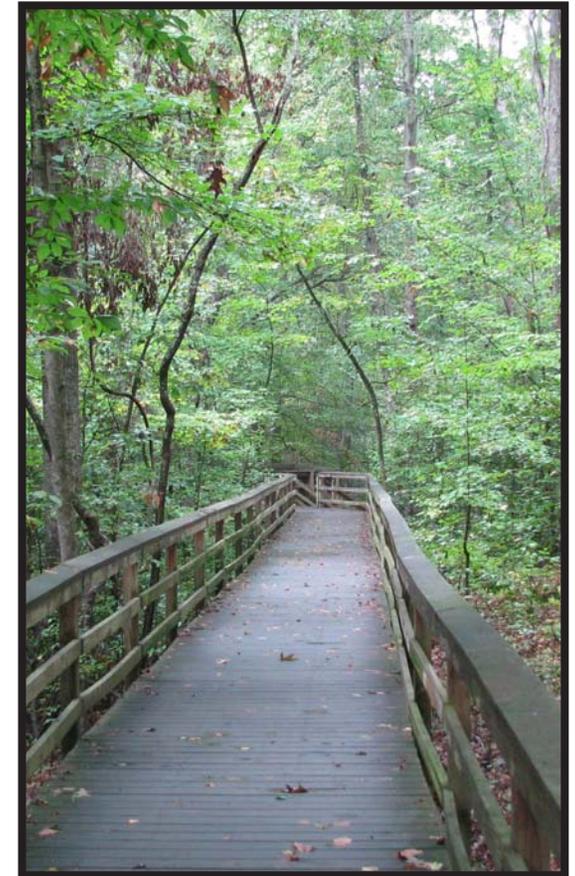
Congaree National Park



# NatureFest

## April 19 - 20, 2008

### Celebrating Earth Day and National Park Week



100 National Park Rd. • Hopkins, SC 29061  
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## Saturday April 19th

### 9:30 am - 11:00 am "Nature Notes"

Walk under the forest's massive canopy to discover nature's secrets. Find out new facts about plants and wildlife. *(John Galbary)*

### 10:00 am - 11:00 am "Ravaging Raptors"

Hour long educational program featuring large birds with special adaptations for survival, including a live screech owl, barred owl, great-horned owl, red-shouldered hawk, and red-tailed hawk. *(Carolina Raptor Center)*

### 10:30 am - 12:30 pm "Butterfly Blitz"

Learn about these amazing insects during this presentation and guided walk. *(NPS)*

### 11:00 am - 12:00 pm "Kids Stuff"

Find out what squirms, wiggles, and slurps in the mud at the park. *(Hammond School)*

### 11:00 am - 1:00 pm "Waterworld Congaree"

Come learn about water quality in Cedar Creek and the groundwater beneath your feet on this guided walk. *(College of Charleston)*

### 11:30 am - 12:30 pm "Bat Bonanza"

Bats are extraordinary night time creatures. Find out more about Congaree's bats during this presentation. *(U.S. Forest Service)*



## Saturday April 19th

### 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm "Canoeing Congaree"

Take a trip of a lifetime! Paddle into wilderness where you will see giant Bald cypress and Tupelo trees. Bring a picnic lunch. Advance reservations required. Meet at Mt. Moriah Church parking lot. *(Adventure Carolina)*

### 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm "Ravaging Raptors"

### 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm "Spider Spotters"

Search for spiders and learn to identify them on this walk. *(Clemson University)*

### 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm "Owl Puke"

Kids! Ever wanted to pull apart owl pellets? Here's your chance...come find out what Mr. Owl ate for supper! Limited to 20 people per session. *(John Galbary)*

### 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm "Ravaging Raptors"

### 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm "Kids Stuff"

Find out what squirms, wiggles, and slurps in the mud at the park. *(Hammond School)*

### 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm "Owl Puke"

### 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm "Ravaging Raptors"

### 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm "Owl Prowl"

Have you ever heard a barred owl hoot "Who cooks for y'all"? Talk to barred owls and look for flying squirrels and fireflies on this 2½-mile walk. Advance reservations required. *(NPS)*



## Sunday April 20th

### 9:00 am - 12:00 pm "Paddling and Learning"

Paddle into wilderness where you will see giant Bald cypress and Tupelo trees, and learn how streams, guts, sloughs and oxbows support the healthy and dynamic Congaree River floodplain ecosystem. Bring a picnic lunch. Advance reservations required...meet at the park. *(River Runner Outdoor Center & USC)*

### 10:00 am - 11:30 am "Congaree Giants"

Explore the Congaree "forest of giants" with a park ranger to see some of the tallest trees east of the Mississippi River *(City of Columbia)*

### 10:00 am - 11:00 am "Ravaging Raptors"

### 10:30 am - 12:30 pm "Dragonflies"

Enjoy a guided walk and learn about the dragonflies of Congaree National Park. *(Furman University)*

### 11:00 am - 12:00 pm "Owl Puke"

### 11:30 am - 1:00 pm "Walk on the Wild Side"

Nature's secrets await you as you stroll down the park trails, looking for plants and animals that thrive on the Congaree River floodplain. *(S.C. Dept. of Natural Resources)*

### 11:30 am - 12:30 pm "Secrets of Pond Life"

Come learn about all the cool things that live in ponds during this fascinating indoor event. *(SC Parks and Recreation)*

### 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm "Ravaging Raptors"

