



The **NatureCity Festival** is a week of (mostly free) urban escapes and mini-adventures. See Saskatoon shine more brightly than ever before. Go a little wild in the city!~

Where: In parks, gardens and natural areas all over the city.

What: The Festival offers nature-related activities for all ages and all tastes.

~ Want to enjoy one of Canada’s most popular pastimes but don’t know how to begin? Enroll in the Learn to Birdwatch short course. ~ Yearning to get up close and personal with wildlife? Meet Franklin, the luckiest ground squirrel and commune with a Great Horned Owl. ~ Hungry for change? Take in the urban agriculture tour. Up for a challenge? ~ Enter the three-day Green Bird-a-thon. ~ Come out and enjoy art, music, wild birds, prairie plants, beautiful bugs and so much more! ~ There will be PRIZES! ~ Complete details at www.wildaboutsaskatoon.org

Who: The NatureCity Festival provides programming for people of all ages. The Festival is produced by Wild about Saskatoon, an informal collective of nature lovers, in collaboration with a whole lot of other people. This year, more than 70 groups and businesses are involved in the fun.

Festival Warm-Up: Get into the Festival spirit at the Saskatoon Farmer’s Market, Saturday, May 24, from 10 a.m. 2 p.m., with wildlife exhibits, information booths, music, skateboarding demonstrations, and more! Follow the brass band from the Market to the Roxy Theatre and arrive just in time for the first Gala Keynote event.

Exciting Speakers:

Saturday, May 24

2:30-4:30 p.m.

Why (Young) People Need Nature

Cam Collyer,
 Director, Children’s Programming,
 Evergreen Foundation
 Plus: on-screen show of students’ nature art

Naomi Bird, Outdoor School
 Students from Earthkeepers
 Music by Magik Radix

Monday, May 26

7:30-9:30 p.m.

The International Urban Biodiversity Movement

Grant Pearsell
 City of Edmonton Parks + Biodiversity
 Plus: spoken word artist Shanda Stephenson

Gary Pedersen
 City of Saskatoon Naturalized Parks

Wednesday, May 28

7:30-9:30 p.m.

Be Kind to Your Friends in the Pond: The Value of Urban Wetlands

Michelle Molnar
 Environmental Economist
 David Suzuki Foundation
 Plus: spoken word artist Caragana Ennis

Barbara Hanbidge
 Provincial Policy Specialist
 Ducks Unlimited Canada

All keynotes at the Roxy Theatre. Conexus Credit Union Bike Valet available.

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