



## 2026 Educational Opportunities from Mississippi Valley Conservancy

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
January 9, 6 - 7 pm	The Science of Fire: How Controlled Burns Restore Native Prairies and Woodlands	Java Vino, La Crosse County
February 21, 10am - noon	Winter Birds of the Coulee Region	McIntosh Memorial Library, Vernon County
March 28, 8:30 – noon	Annual Friends Gathering, <b>6-TIME EMMY AWARD WINNING CINEMATOGRAPHER NEIL RETTIG</b> presents: <i>A Filmmaker's Journey into the Hidden Lives of Grassland Birds</i>	First Congregational Church, La Crosse County
April 26, 11am - noon	Earth Fair Marsh Hike	Myrick Park/The Nature Place, La Crosse County
May 9, 7am - 9am	Migratory Birding Hike	Sugar Creek Bluff State Natural Area, Crawford County
June 11, 5 - 7pm	Habitat Typing & Forest Health Talk with optional work party from 1 - 5pm	Wandering Rock State Natural Area, Buffalo County
June 27, 9 - 11am	Grazing for Birds	Plum Creek Conservation Area, Crawford County
July 11 (Times to be determined)	Bat Ecology Cave Tours – very limited spots available	Kickapoo Caverns, Crawford County
July 23, 6 pm – 8 pm	Enhancing Biodiversity on Your Land: Creative Approaches to Habitat Improvement	Private Landowner, Vernon County
August 1, 9am – 11am	Bumblebee ID and Conservation	Private Landowner, Grant County
September 12, 10 am - noon	Science in the Stream: A Mussel Survey	Private Landowner, Jackson County
September 12, 5:30 – 9 pm	Gardens & Gazing	FSPA, La Crosse County
October 10, 8 am – 10 am	Fungi in the Forest	La Crosse Blufflands, Kaplan Tract, La Crosse County
October 10, 7 pm – 9 pm	Prairie Stargazing Hike	Tunnelville Cliffs, Vernon County
November 5, 5:30 pm – 9 pm	Fall Fundraiser	Radisson Hotel, La Crosse County

Event sign-up is typically online 4-5 weeks prior to the event at [MississippiValleyConservancy.org/events](https://MississippiValleyConservancy.org/events). With questions, contact Communications & Outreach Director Karen Solverson at [Karen@MississippiValleyConservancy.org](mailto:Karen@MississippiValleyConservancy.org).