



The Samara Shop

The **Samara Shop** offers a wonderful selection of products for nature-enthusiasts of all ages. *Stop by for everything green-related!*

- Field guides
- Children's books
- Walking sticks
- Jewelry
- Honey, maple syrup & other edibles
- Organic soaps & lotions
- Candles & wax melts
- Nature-inspired art

Open during regular building hours.

Proceeds support the Schrader Center.



Explore Nature as a Family at the Schrader Center

The Schrader Center in Oglebay Park offers dozens of hands-on programs for all ages that expand our knowledge of the natural world, promote outdoor discovery, and foster lifelong learning and environmental stewardship.

Attractions

- A.B. Brooks Discovery Trail System
- Animals of the Eastern Woodlands Exhibit
- Brooks Bird Club Library
- Children's Awareness Area
- Corson Wildflower & Butterfly Garden
- Earthtrek Exhibit Hall
- Nutting Bird Café
- Woodland Walkway

Hours

10am-5pm, Monday-Sunday
Closed July 4.



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Oglebay Institute's

Summer of Wonder

June 3-August 9, 2024

The Schrader Center, Oglebay Park



Daily Nature Activities

Summer of Wonder - June 3-August 9

No programs week of July 1-5.

Daily Programs

No pre-registration required. All ages welcome. \$5 per person; free for OI members or Park guests with activity cards. *Tie-dye has additional fee.*

For all programs, please arrive at the listed start time.

Program attendance limited—first come, first served.

Mondays

10-11am: Nature Walk

Enjoy a guided nature walk through our butterfly garden and the Schrader Center's trails as our naturalist points out animal tracks, flowers, birds, edible plants, and other features of the forest.

Tuesdays

2-2:45pm: Stream Search

Gently catch, study, and release salamanders, crayfish, insects, and fish as we explore Waddles Run. Nets and collection buckets provided. Wear boots and clothes that can get wet! Check-in at the Schrader Center before our adventure begins.

Wednesdays

11-11:45am: Sand Art

Explore colors and patterns by creating your own sand art masterpiece. A bottle is provided. Pick from a rainbow of colored RECYCLED sand created right here in the Wheeling area! Supplies are limited—first come, first served.

3:45-4:30pm: Animal Meet & Greet

Meet the animals who call the Schrader Center home. Learn about the incredible adaptations of each species as you encounter some of our animal ambassadors.

Thursdays

8-8:45am: Bird Walk

Learn field marks and songs of the local birds that visit our feeders and trails. Binoculars and field guides are provided.

1-1:45pm: Tie-dye Time!

Learn about color and design in a fun and creative atmosphere. To participate, you must purchase a shirt in our gift shop for \$15. OI members and wristbands also pay \$15/shirt. Please be prompt; late arrivals may not be able to join.

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9-11pm: Astronomy

Observe the night sky with local experts from the Oglebay Astronomy Club at the Speidel Observatory, located in the field across from the Schrader Center.

Private Family Nature Programs

Schedule a private program for your household group!

\$10 per person. Minimum \$50 per household.

Pre-registration required.

Campfire - Summertime is the time for sitting around a crackling campfire! Roasting sticks, hotdogs, and s'mores provided for you to cook over the fire, which a naturalist will tend for you.

Program will be rescheduled or refunded for inclement weather.

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Self-guided Programs

Scavenger Hunt - Pick up your scavenger hunt list at the front desk and return it completed for a prize! **FREE**

Pottery Painting - Choose from a variety of ceramic pieces and use your creativity to paint your favorite designs and colors! We'll fire it in our kiln overnight for pick up the next day.

Attendees purchase ceramic pieces ranging from \$10-\$35.

Special Programs

Tuesday, July 2 & Saturday, August 10

9-10pm: Night Hike - Led by a naturalist, take a walk in the woods to listen for owls and look at stars. Enjoy the music of the night and test your night vision. Please bring a flashlight.

\$5/free OI members.

