

Summer Programs for Sternberg Kids

Beat the summertime heat by discovering “Kool Kansas Kritters” at the Sternberg Museum of Natural History. On Select Thursday afternoons, future scientists will explore the critters that roam, crawl, swim, or fly across the Kansas streams and prairies. Programs will accommodate children ages 4-12. We are offering two age appropriate programs each select Thursday afternoon from 1-2 pm (for kids age 4-7) and 3-4pm (for kids ages 8-12). All participants must be accompanied by an adult that will stay with the child during the program. Maximum class size is 30. The registration deadline for each program is the Monday prior to the program. Programs are free (except for Monarch Mania, \$10 per child, Museum Members Free), donations are greatly appreciated.

To register, contact Brian Bartels, 785-628-5502, bcbartels@fhsu.edu

Kold-blooded Kansas Kritters! June 11 Registration Deadline: June 8th

We will get touchy-feely with the scaly “kритters” that “krawl” in and out of Kansas fields.

Fur, Feathers, Claws, and Jaws! June 18th Registration Deadline: June 15th

We will discover what makes a bird a bird and what makes a mammal a mammal by exploring the characteristics of these warm-blooded critters.

Exploring Giant Squid! June 25th Registration Deadline: June 22nd

We will investigate these mysterious creatures that live deep in the ocean and tour the Sternberg’s summer exhibit, In Search of Giant Squid.

Taking Flight! July 23 Registration Deadline: July 20th

Ever wonder how bats, birds, insects, and even airplanes fly? We’ll take a close look at flight by building and flying a variety of paper airplanes to inspect which models fly best.

Who’s New? July 30th Registration Deadline: July 27th

We will get cozy with the cute and cuddly critters (snakes, lizards, birds, mice, and more) that have recently “Hatched” into your wild world.

No Bones About It! August 6 Registration Deadline: August 3rd

The streams, creeks, and ponds of Kansas are full of invertebrate animals that look like something from a science fiction movie! We will use microscopes to inspect these “boneless” creatures and learn why they are an important part of the environment.

Monarch Mania! August 13th Fee: \$10/child Registration Deadline: August 10th

Join us as we learn about butterflies and build a caterpillar house so you can take home your very own monarch caterpillar or monarch egg to experience its transformation into a beautiful butterfly. Each participant will take home a monarch caterpillar or monarch egg...weather permitting!

Sternberg Museum of Natural History

Frogapalooza 2009

After the enormous success of last year's performances,

The All-Star Kansas Frog and Toad Choir (ASKFTC)

Will return for its second annual Frogapalooza concert

Every spring and summer night, the local ponds, streams, creeks, and water filled roadsides ditches erupt with a thunderous chorus of frog and toad calls. These “croaky” critters might be small, but the songs they produce can be heard from far away during the spring and summer nights.

Frog and toad enthusiasts age 4-12 are invited to the Sternberg Museum for a meet and greet, and chance to sing along with some of nature's most famous musicians. The ASKFTC will play two shows on Saturday, May 9th at 11am and 1pm, with each performance lasting approximately one hour. All participants must be accompanied by an adult. The program is free, donations are greatly appreciated.

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