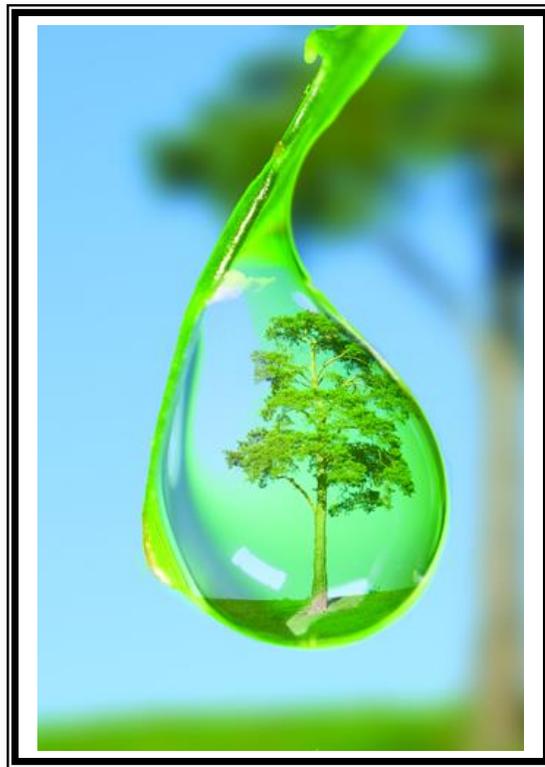


## **Nature On Wheels ~ Eco Outreach**

**2016 - 2017**

### **Program Guide & Booking Information HCA Eco~Outreach Programs**



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*Healthy Streams...Healthy Communities!*

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The Hamilton Conservation Authority is the area's largest environmental organization and is dedicated to the conservation of our local lands, wildlife and water resources. For over 50 years the HCA has provided interactive, outdoor environmental education opportunities for Hamilton's elementary and secondary students. All Nature On Wheels - Eco Outreach programs are delivered by our team of professionally trained educators.

## **2016 - 2017 Nature on Wheels ~ Eco Outreach**

### **About Our Eco Outreach Team**

- Sandra Root H.B., Ph.Ed., M.Sc.Ed.; HCA Environmental Education Specialist
- Fiona Van Wissen B.A., B.Ed., HCA Environmental Educator
- James O'Neill, Outdoor Recreation Specialist

### **About Our Eco Outreach Programs**

Whether you want to enhance your field trip to the Dundas Valley or simply have us teach an in-class session we can help. The HCA provides unique, inter-active, curriculum-linked programs for both elementary & secondary students that are led by professional teachers. Outreach programs are only offered during the months of November to April.

### **PROGRAM OPTIONS**

NOW Eco Outreach programs usually run from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the morning, or 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon. These times can be changed according to your school schedule

#### **1. School Visits:**

Half Day Program: *(A minimum of two 60 minute sessions- morning or afternoon)*

Cost is: \$635 plus HST for two 60 minute in-class sessions *(Maximum of 30 students /session)*

#### **2. Conservation Lands: *(Includes entry fee for one bus)***

Half Day Programming: On HCA Conservation Lands ~ *Maximum of one class/30 students per session*

- Cost is: \$475 plus HST for a half day, 1.5 hour program on HCA Conservation Lands
- \$7 for each additional student

Full Day Programming: On HCA Conservation Lands ~ *Maximum of one class/30 students per session*

- Cost is: \$800 plus HST for a full day *(2 half-day sessions) Includes Entry Fee for one Bus*
- \$12 for each additional student

### **BOOKING PROCEDURES:**

- Complete the following **2016-2017 Eco Outreach Booking Request** form and fax or email it in
- Teachers will be contacted by phone to discuss all the details pertaining to the program
- Schools will receive a follow-up confirmation via email with the final program details & schedule

### **To arrange a booking, contact:**

Beth Stormont, *B.A., B. Ed.*, Education Program Manager, Hamilton Conservation Authority

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**Note:**

- Teachers will be sent a confirmation email following a pre-planning phone call to discuss details of the presentation
- A non-refundable deposit (payable by credit card) of \$50 is required at the time of booking
- A cancellation fee of \$150 will apply if the school cancels the trip less than 15 office days prior to the scheduled field trip and does not re-schedule a date within the same school year

<b>SCHOOL / GROUP</b>	
<b>MAILING ADDRESS</b>	
<b>CONTACT NAME &amp; EMAIL</b>	
<b>PHONE &amp; EXTENSION</b>	
<b>Check One:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> SCHOOL VISIT <input type="checkbox"/> HCA CONSERVATION LANDS <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER ( <i>Explain</i> ) _____
<b>GRADE(S)</b>	
<b>NUMBER OF CLASSES</b>	
<b>PROGRAM SELECTION</b>	
<b>PREFERRED DATES</b>	

**PLEASE NOTE**

- For School Visits: Have a room available on the main floor (or elevator access) for the N.O.W. presentations
- Be prepared to participate in a phone call pre-planning session in advance of the visit
- Supervise class, maintain discipline & actively participate in all activities
- Inform HCA Staff of any students who require special consideration in advance of the visit

## Nature on Wheels: 2016-2017

### ECO OUTREACH PROGRAMS:

#### PRIMARY / JUNIOR / INTERMEDIATE

**NOTE:**

Each session is approximately 60 minutes in length

**Birds of Prey:**

Discover what makes these birds such fascinating and effective predators! This in-class program includes a PowerPoint presentation highlighting their characteristics, behaviours and adaptations. Students will dissect owl pellets, observe birds of prey specimens and participate in hands-on, multi-sensory activities to discover more about these amazing birds. Recommended for grades 2-4. Curriculum Links: *Science & Technology Understanding Life Systems – Habitats and Communities; Biodiversity.*

**What's Alive?** (Primary / Junior / Intermediate)

Explore wildlife in the classroom! Find out what they need in order to survive. Students will investigate miniature habitats; study the clues that animals leave behind and conduct an in class examination of owl pellets. These and other activities will help students to expand their understanding of our local wildlife and the amazing ways they have to survive. Recommended for grades 1-4. Curriculum Links: *Science & Technology Understanding Life Systems – Habitats and Communities; Growth & Changes in Animals*

**Diversity of Living Things:** (Intermediate)

A healthy ecosystem is one that has a wide variety of living things. One of the most important functions of conservation authorities is the protection of natural areas and the species of wildlife that inhabit them. But how do we know what plants and animals need protection? Explore biodiversity in the classroom; learn about classification, adaptation, local species at risk and what is being done to protect them. Recommended for grade 6. Curriculum Links: *Science & Technology Understanding Life Systems - Biodiversity*

**To Book:**

If you are interested in booking the *Nature on Wheels ~ Eco Outreach* program, please contact: Beth Stormont, Education Program Manager, Hamilton Conservation Authority  
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