



Louisiana Master Naturalist Association presents the 2026 annual...

Rendezvous

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HOSTED BY THE ACADIANA MASTER NATURALISTS



Friday, April 10th, 2026

	HOMEWOOD SUITES BALLROOM 201 KALISTE SALOOM RD, LAFAYETTE, LA 70508	ATELIER DE LA NATURE 1050 ANDREW GAUTREAUX RD, ARNAUDVILLE, LA 70512	CYPRESS ISLAND PRESERVE/LAKE MARTIN 1264 PRAIRIE HWY, ST MARTINVILLE, LA 70582	ULL ECOLOGY CENTER 703 THOROUGHbred DR, LAFAYETTE, LA 70507
2:00 - 3:00	Happy Hour (sponsored by Science on the Bayou) The World of Viruses: New Horizons and Possibilities **	** (at Max's Pool Hall next door to the hotel)		
3:00 - 4:00				
4:00 - 5:00	Registration Check-In Begins (4:00 PM-ongoing)	LMNA Board Meeting (4:00-5:00 PM)		
5:00 - 6:00	Dinner (5:00-6:00 PM)			
6:00 - 7:00	"Grassroots" Cajun Prairie Documentary Screening/Q&A (6:00 - 7:00 PM)			
7:00 - 8:00	Travel to Atelier de la Nature			
8:00 - 9:00		Moth Sheeting, Herping, Stargazing, Bats (8:00 - 10:00 PM)		
9:00 - 10:00				

Saturday, April 11th, 2026

	HOMEWOOD SUITES BALLROOM	ATELIER DE LA NATURE	CYPRESS ISLAND PRESERVE/LAKE MARTIN	ULL ECOLOGY CENTER
7:00 - 8:00			Urban Native Green Talk with Tad Guidry at Cypress Island Preserve Nature Conservancy visitor center (7:00 - 7:30 AM)	
8:00 - 9:00	Silent Auction Opens (8:00 AM)		Bird Walk with Patti Holland & Jim Parker & prothonotary warbler nest check (7:30 - 9:30 AM)	
9:00 - 10:00	Citizen Science Talk with Bette Kauffman (9:00 - 10:00 AM)			UL Ecology Center and Seed Bank Tour with Andre Daugereaux (10:00 - 10:30 AM)
10:00 - 11:00	Alligator Talk with Mark Shirley (10:30 - 11:30 AM)			LOSPAT oyster research w/ Beth Stauffer & Ann Pandelides (10:30 - 11:00 AM)
11:00 - 12:00				ANPP Greenhouse tour (11:00 - 11:30 PM) Native Pollinators w/ Larry Allain & Kimberly Hamm (11:30-12:30 PM)
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch/Travel (12:30-1:30 PM) (on your own)			
1:00 - 2:00	Prehistoric Louisiana with Chris Kingwill (1:30 - 2:30 PM)			
2:00 - 3:00		Prairie Walk w/ Matt Boutte & Steve Nevitt & Forest Art walk w/ sculpture activity w/ Carey Hamburg (2:00 - 3:00 PM)		
3:00 - 4:00	Roots and Quills: Nature as a Writer's Tool with Caitlin Neal-Jones and Martha Garner (3:00 - 4:00 PM)	Specimen drawing w/ Brandon Ballengée (3:00- 3:30 PM)		
4:00 - 5:00	Insect talk and display Steve Barney (4:00 - 5:00 PM)	Gyotaku Fish Printing with Susan David (3:30 - 4:00 PM)		
5:00 - 6:00	Silent Auction Closes (5:00 PM) 5:30 BREAK	Naturalist Art Show Reception with wine and snacks (4:00 - 5:00 PM)		
6:00 - 7:00	Dinner Served (6:00 - 7:00 PM)			
7:00 - 8:00	Caroline Dorman Award and Presentation (7:00 - 8:00 PM)			
8:00 - 9:00	Announce next Rendezvous host chapter (8:00 - 8:15 PM)			