

# Master Naturalist Sessions\*

## January

- 11/12 Introduction/  
Interpretation 101  
(WNS history & highlights, volunteer opportunities & associations)
- 18/19 Geology of SW IN
- 25/26 Ecology of SW IN

## February

- 1/2 Soils/Insects
- 8/9 Rivers & Wetlands
- 15/16 Trees & Forests
- 22/23 Wildflowers/Invasives

## March

- 1/2 Birds
- 8/9 Reptiles, Amphibians & Mammals
- 15/16 Human Impact on Natural Resources
- 22/23 Interpretation 102
- 29/30 Final Exam

## 10 April

Outdoor experiences at



*\*Tentative Schedule*



# Indiana Master Naturalist



An Introductory Program  
of Nature Discovery  
and Service Learning  
for Adults



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551 North Boeke Road  
Evansville, IN 47711

# Registration Form

## Indiana Master Naturalist Program

January 11 - April 10, 2010

Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve  
551 N. Boeke Rd. Evansville, IN

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**The course fee of \$150 includes:**

- ✦ All course-related materials
- ✦ IMN state accreditation
- ✦ One-year membership to Wesselman Nature Society

### Complete the following information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your preference of session with a "1", "2", or "X" (if unavailable).

\_\_\_\_\_ Monday Evening 6 p.m.—9 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday Morning 9 a.m.—Noon

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**Return form with payment to:**

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Wesselman Nature Society.

# Becoming an Indiana Master Naturalist

The mission of the Indiana Master Naturalist program is to bring together natural resource specialists with adult learners to foster an understanding of Indiana's plants, waters, soils and wildlife and to promote volunteer service in local communities.



✦ **Why take the Master Naturalist course?**

The Master Naturalist Program provides an intensive learning experience in natural resource principles and applications. People with a passion for the natural world have this opportunity to build their knowledge and skills to enhance their own personal enjoyment and to share their passion with others. In turn, participants will contribute volunteer leadership and service to environmental and educational initiatives in their communities. Gain the confidence you need to become a volunteer leading educational programs, hikes, youth groups, scout groups, habitat restoration projects, community garden projects, and much more.



✦ **What are the benefits?**

- Enjoy presentations and hands-on learning experiences on diverse natural resource topics as led by specialists in the field.
- Enhance your knowledge of Indiana's natural history and ecology.
- Enhance your ability to interpret that knowledge to others.
- Meet and engage with other local nature enthusiasts.
- Gain personal satisfaction from "giving back" to your local community through volunteer service.



✦ **What is expected of participants?**

To graduate from the course and become accredited as an Indiana Master Naturalist, participants must...

- Participate in at least 10 of the 12 three-hour course sessions.
- Complete an open book test covering course content.
- Volunteer 40 service hours with WNS programs, events, or projects.



✦ **Questions?**

Contact Lauren Preske, Director of Education  
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