

Federal Election Sept 20 - Vote for Nature

September 2021

Find out more information on your candidates and VOTE!

<u>100 Debates on the Environment</u> 100 Debates on the Environment is a national initiative to hold non-partisan all-candidates debates on the environment in 100 ridings. Register for online debates Sept 8 (English) and Sept 9 (French)

One earth one vote, Action Alert (Ontario Nature) Speak up for wild species and wild spaces. A pre-designed email that you can revise and send to your candidates and representatives to let them know you want biodiversity, climate justice and champions for protected spaces on Parliament Hill.

<u>Nature Needs Your Vote</u> (Nature Canada) Nature is in crisis. As we face climate change and species extinction, Canada needs leadership that is committed to protecting and restoring nature for future generations. Letters, Pledges, questions for candidates.

The Future for Nature: A webinar about how you can help secure Ontario's wild species and wild spaces, forever. (Ontario Nature) Nov. 2, 2021 11:00am **REGISTER**

Fall Native Plant Sales

NANPS' Fall Plant Sale is Now Online! You can place your order on our website until Sept. 12 and curbside pickup will take place on Sept. 25. Please order early to avoid disappointment. Toronto pickup locations for Saturday September 25: Burnhamthorpe/Dundas, Jane/Dundas, Yonge/Sheppard, Leslie/York Mills, Port Union/Lawrence. Contact plantsale@nanps.org

Project Swallowtail/Pollinator Partnership may have a fall native plant sale. Check these links or get added to their email list for updates. Website, Facebook, Twitter. There is also a Seed Sitters program to help increase the number of native plants next year.

High Park Nature and Stewards



Rare Plants of the Endangered High Park Black Oak

<u>Savannah</u>, a plant and habitat guide, history of High Park, account of volunteering experiences and catalog of stewardship resources all in one entertaining pocket-sized book is now available in a free pdf on our website. If you haven't already seen it you are in for a treat. Thank you oksana / okkudesign

Survey on the Health of High Park's Natural Areas (ends Sept 10)

The <u>High Park Natural Environment Committee</u> would like to hear from you. As we head toward the end of summer, we thought it would be a good time to take stock of the health of High Park's natural environment and to develop a list of topics to raise with City staff and our local Councillor, Gord Perks.

Take the Survey

Those who have signed up to receive invites to on-site sessions should be receiving emails from Eventbrite to each session. Only a few people are allowed due to COVID restrictions. There are no drop-ins.

If you are not receiving emails (after checking your spam folder) and are interested in receiving one for future on-site sessions, please add your name and email to this list.

High Park Stewards sign-up form

HPN website links to other groups and online resources

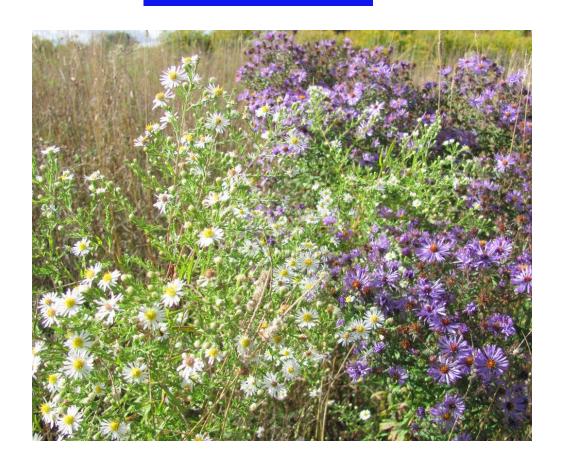


The European Gypsy Moth is now LDD moth. In order to lead as an inclusive organization, the City of Toronto is transitioning from the use of the term "European gypsy moth" to "LDD moth" in communication materials. This new term is based on the scientific name Lymnatria dispar dispari. This aligns with changes adopted by other municipalities and agencies. UPDATE: Leaves have grown back on many trees that were ravaged by the moths earlier this year.

Community Stewardship Program

The High Park Stewards are invited by the Community Stewardship Program to participate in their summer Virtual Workshop Series, view recordings from past workshops and other activities. Due to COVID restrictions there are currently no opportunities for new stewards for on-site work at the moment BUT there are upcoming tree planting sessions that you can register for by emailing greentoronto@toronto.ca. You can also sign up for their newsletter to be updated as restrictions are lifted. Nature in the City - Toronto (Facebook) and Toronto Forestry (Twitter)

CSP September newsletter



Toronto Nature Stewards

TNS a group of volunteers, citizens, and scientists dedicated to "protecting, regenerating, and celebrating" the Toronto Ravine System and natural spaces. Activities include litter pickup, removal of garlic mustard, dog-strangling vine, Japanese knotweed, burdock, monitoring and more. To be added to their list email *toronto.nature.stewards@utoronto.ca*

Toronto Nature Stewards Website

High Park Nature Centre Adult Programs

High Park Walking Tours

High Park Nature Centre Adult Programs

There are a number of programs for adults that are currently restricted due to COVID. Please sign up for their newsletter to know what is available in the near future. See their website under Experiences>Adult Programs

High Park Nature Centre

In the Zone Gardens

In the Zone provides the tools needed for anyone to gradually transform outdoor spaces into healthy habitat for native wildlife including advice on gardening, tracking your garden, community to share planting tips, photos, plant and seed exchanges and celebrate the community's successes.

In the Zone Gardens (WWF/Carolinian Canada)

Seed Collecting Tips

This is the time of year to start collecting seeds for next year.

There are many resources to help with this including <u>Seed</u>

<u>Collecting and Saving - NANPS</u>, <u>Canadian Wildlife</u>

<u>Federation</u> and <u>Planting the Seed</u> - Environment Canada (pdf)





