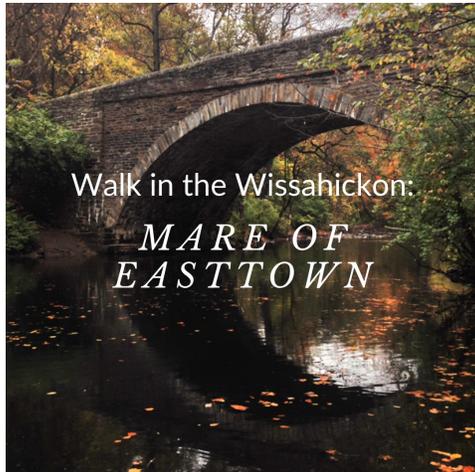


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Upcoming Events and Wonderwalks: Walk in the Wissahickon: Mare of Easttown

Location: Meet at the entry to Wissahickon Park at Mount Airy Avenue

Date: Wednesday, June 23rd
Time: 5:30-7:30 PM

Critically acclaimed HBO TV show, Mare of Easttown, features the Wissahickon in one of the early pivotal grizzly scenes, as well as throughout the rest of the plot of this murder mystery. On this trek, we will get a sense of where the filming took place and along the way, we will see other curiosities, such as a busy frog pond, a beautiful spring house, an ancient sewer line, a cave, and fascinating urban infrastructure.

All Urban-Eco Wonderwalks are led by Scott Quitel, the Founder of LandHealth Institute.

In accordance with the CDC COVID-19 guidelines, please bring your own mask.

RSVP



Photo by Albert Yee for The Food Trust

Updates from LandHealth's Native Plant Nursery

This summer, the LandHealth nursery will be represented at the [Food Trust's Fidler Square location](#) in Center City. The Food Trust's mission is to make fresh food available to city residents, especially in neighborhoods where access to healthy food is limited. At the peak of the summer season, the Food Trust operates at twenty locations throughout the city. LandHealth will bring locally-grown native perennial plants to the Fidler Square market once a month, starting in June.

For the latest information on what's currently growing at the Nursery and/or to make an appointment to visit, check out LandHealth's [Nursery page!](#)



LandHealth's SEPTA Lot Garden

Project



WeWalk Wonderwalk: West Fairmount Park

Come out for a partnered walk between WeWalkPHL and LandHealth Institute. Scott Quitel, LandHealth Founder, will lead this Thursday's WeWalkPHL walk around West Fairmount Park.

Location: Meet at Concourse Lake

Date: Thursday, June 24th
Time: 6:00-7:00 PM

Learn more about WeWalkPHL and view their walk schedule [here](#).



Become a Member Today!

All Urban EcoWalks are free for LandHealth members, who also receive exclusive merch: tees, plants from our native plant nursery, custom art, landscaping, and unlimited free EcoWalks!

Register for this week's Urban EcoWalk walks and become a member [HERE](#).

We are making progress on our new project, which is a garden that will be put in place of the abandoned SEPTA parking lot next to our native plant nursery. We are planting throughout this week and the site should be fully completed by the first week of July. Stay tuned for more updates!



Program for Future Environmental Scientists and Stewards (ProFESS)

ProFESS, formerly the Philadelphia Watershed Stewardship (PWS) program and now in its fifth year, was created to empower rising 9th-12th grade students in Philadelphia to become environmental scientists and stewards... change-makers, advocates for a better world through natural history, urban ecology, and watershed health.

The ProFESS start date is fast approaching!

ProFESS students will meet once a week over the course of ten weeks, *June 23 - August 25*.

Our first meeting will be with all students on Wednesday, June 23, at 2:30-5:00 pm, at LandHealth's Native Plant

FACTS Update



[Folk Arts-Cultural Treasures Charter School](#) (FACTS) returned in the spring and partnered with [Asian Americans United](#) (AAU) and [LandHealth Institute](#) to create an environmental education program for FACTS students. The program took place at the AAU garden, where Scott Quitel leads the students to experience the joys and wonders of the natural world around them!



New on the Blog: Guide to a Sustainable Summer

Sunday, June 20, 2021, marks the first day of summer in the northern hemisphere! With the world around us seems to return to normal, it is easy to get excited about the upcoming season. But while you're planning your next beach day or your next camping trip, there are a few things that you can pack

Nursery (Meet at the parking lot, SE corner, 49th Street and Parkside Avenue, 19131. Across from Fairmount Park. Note: Between 48th and 50th Streets, NOT near Wynnefield Avenue.). During the following weeks, students will meet in their assigned watershed during the times listed below. Each week we will send out updates to ProFESS students including a meeting spot for the week. We're looking forward to a fun summer outdoors!

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

NorthEast Philly Watersheds (Poquessing, Pennypack, and Tacony/Frankford)

12:30-2:30 PM

Delaware Estuary and Cobb's Creek

3:00-5:00 PM

Wissahickon and Non-tidal Schuylkill



Partner Highlight - The Discovery Center!

The National Audubon Society (Audubon Pennsylvania) and the Philadelphia Outward Bound School are joining forces to save and sustain a vital part of our natural heritage in a unique partnership. Their missions converge in the East Park section of Philadelphia's Fairmount Park - just blocks from the neighborhood of Strawberry Mansion - where a century-old abandoned reservoir has become a unique wildlife sanctuary and an important stopover location for birds migrating along the Atlantic

with you to take care of Earth on your way... [read more](#)

Missed last week's blog? Read about our WeWalk Wonderwalks part of our collaboration with WeWalk PHL, [here!](#)

Past Event Highlights:

Check out our partners at [Friends of the Rail Park](#) who recently celebrated their third birthday with a series of events including a LandHealth walk and tour.



2018 Rail Park Photography by James Abbott

Flyway. Learn more about the Discovery Center [here](#), and check out their upcoming event Drugged into Nature, coming up on **June 26th**.

A colorful event poster for 'Dragged into Nature' by Audubon. The poster features a rainbow background with a large black arrow pointing right. The text on the poster includes: 'Dragged into Nature', 'Audubon', 'Saturday, June 26th', '7:00pm - 9:00pm', 'Join the Discovery Center for our first ever PRIDE showcase, hosted by Icon Ebony-Fierce! The event includes nature and PRIDE trivia, performances by Icon, open mic, and a sunset bird walk around the reservoir. This is a Free BYOB event, please drink responsibly.', 'YOU BETTER BIRD', 'For open mic inquiries, email bria.wimberly@audubon.org', 'ig: iconebonyfierce', '3401 RESERVOIR DRIVE | PHILADELPHIA | 19121', and 'WWW.DISCOVERYPHILA.ORG'. There is also a small image of a person wearing a black hoodie with a white bird logo.

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We are grateful for all of you who support LandHealth Institute's core work in ecological restoration, land revitalization, and immersive environmental education. New merch is on the way!

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