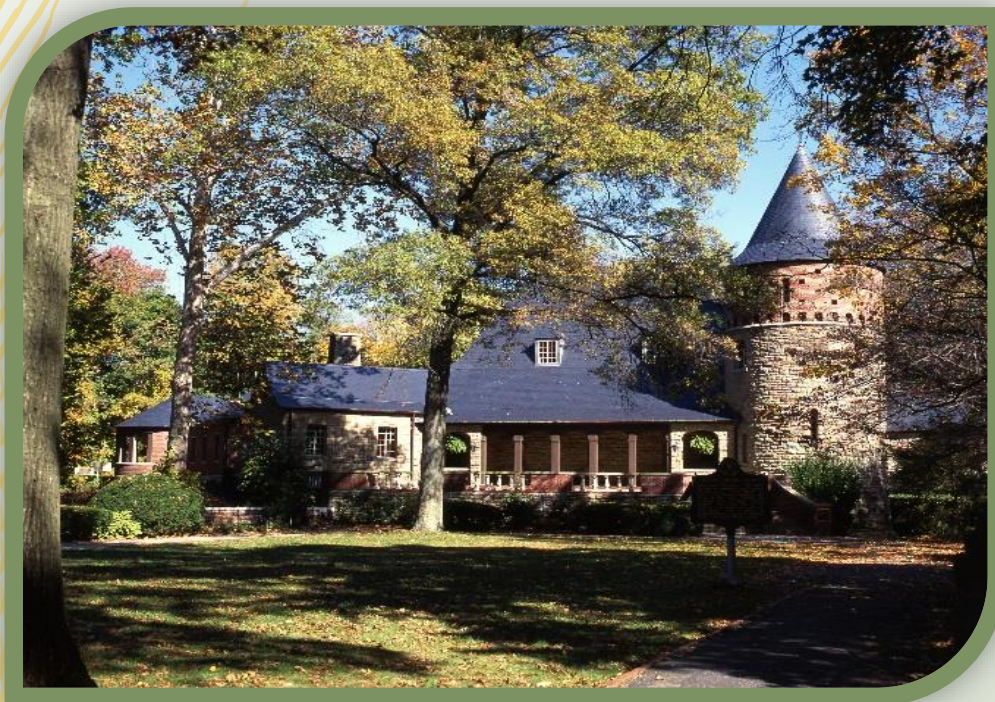


JOHN JAMES AUDUBON STATE PARK PROGRAM GUIDE



John James Audubon State Park

3100 US Hwy 41 North

Henderson, KY 42420

(270) 826-2247, ext. 228

Nature Education

By utilizing the park's nature preserve, artifacts, and live animals, students receive interactive nature education lessons aligned with Kentucky Content Areas and Indiana Academic Science Standards. Schedule more than one program, or combine programming with art and the museum, for a well-rounded field trip.

Everything Owl (Preschool – 5th Grade)

Discover firsthand the mysterious “creatures of the night” who inhabit the woods and fields around us. Emphasis will be placed on the characteristics that make owls unique birds of prey. Content varies with age level of students and may include an owl storybook, craft, or other activities. This program can be requested as an outreach or in conjunction with Audubon Arts. Length: 45 mins./1 hour



Exploring Raptors (2nd Grade and Up)

Using live birds of prey and artifacts, let us introduce our native raptors. A focus on adaptations will explain why these birds are excellent predators. Information about their role in the ecosystem and how interactions with humans have impacted these majestic creatures is included. This program can be requested as an outreach or in conjunction with Audubon Arts. Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Guided Hikes (All ages)

Enjoy the beautiful wooded trails of John James Audubon State Park with a naturalist-led hike. As we traipse along, our senses will be on alert for anything of natural interest, whether animal, plant, or geologic wonder. Our hikes can be customized to complement other programs or seasonal interests: Tree I.D., Rotten Log Survey, Seasons of Change, Leave No Trace, etc. Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Habitats & Games (Kindergarten and Up)

During this interactive program, students will learn the four components of a habitat and why all organisms need habitats to survive. Various activities and discussion will illustrate the many different kinds of habitats on our planet and how organisms are adapted to each one. Active games get students up and moving to reinforce the concepts. Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Hop, Slither, & Crawl (Preschool and Up)

Can you name creatures that hop around, crawl from place to place, or even slither as they go? We'll classify animals as reptiles or amphibians based on their common characteristics. Live animals native to Kentucky will be shown to demonstrate what makes reptiles and amphibians uniquely adapted for life. This program can be requested as an outreach or in conjunction with Audubon Arts. Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Nature's Hide-and-Seek (Preschool - 2nd Grade)

Although many of us like to play a game of hide-and-seek, for nature, it's a matter of survival. To hide from predators or sneak up on prey, animals use different forms of camouflage to assist them in daily living. Learn how color, shape, and behavior help wildlife blend into their surroundings. A “hide-and-seek” hike is included. Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Trees Are Terrific (1st Grade and Up)

The world's largest-growing, longest-living organisms – trees – are truly terrific! Let us explain the inner workings of a tree and all its parts as we dramatically create a living tree factory, then venture into the woods to see the trees in John James Audubon State Park. Length: 45 mins./1 hour



Wilderness Survival (5th Grade and Up)

While exploring the outdoors, knowing how to respond during a crisis situation can be critical to survival. Would your students know how to stay alive until they could be rescued? The basics in hiker preparedness and survival essentials (knot-tying, fire, shelter, water) will be demonstrated in this hands-on program. Length: 1-3 hours; pricing depends upon length of program.

Audubon Arts

Each program incorporates use of the elements of art and principles of design. Art options can be coordinated with nature programs or museum tours for a full Audubon experience.

Drawing Audubon Style (5th Grade and Up)

Follow in Audubon's footsteps by drawing a bird. Use graphite, then add a medium such as colored pencils, watercolor, markers, or tempera to the artwork. Audubon's history will be shared as well as facts about the bird drawn. Seasonal subject matter varies with age/skill level of the student, and can be coordinated with our nature programs for a themed field trip. Length: 45 mins./1 hour



Drawing Nature (Preschool - 5th Grade)

Discover the elements of art while drawing from nature: landscapes, reptiles, insects, birds, and more may be drawn using graphite, pastels, paint, or markers. The subject matter of this class can coordinate with our nature programs for a themed field trip. Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Fun and Funky Themed Art (Preschool – 5th Grade)

Choose a fun and funky art theme to complement your classroom curriculum or an Audubon nature program, and watch your student's creativity soar! Each of these themes uses vibrant colors and techniques with a stylish flair: **Busy Birds; Funky Frogs.** Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Seasonal Landscapes (3rd - 5th Grade)

Location importance and seasonal changes are discussed in creating this natural landscape project. An appropriate medium such as watercolor, pastels, markers, or a mixed medium will be used, depending upon the age/skill level of the student. Length: 45 mins./1 hour

Self-Portraits (4th - 6th Grade)

Explore the differences between a portrait and a self-portrait; sketch with step-by-step techniques, then apply a mixed medium for color on an individualized self-portrait. Learn of John James Audubon's portrait and John James Audubon State Park's history. Length: 1.5 hours

Still Life Art (4th Grade and Up)

Practice drawing techniques with a still life project. Students will create contour drawings, emphasizing texture and value, and may add color through a variety of mediums. Subject matter varies depending on the season, and age/skill level. Length: 1.5 hours

Additional Options

Gifted & Talented/High Ability Art Programs and Exhibits

Teachers of gifted students from the Tri-State are invited to schedule programs at the museum for a full day of art. After students complete 3-4 full days of art programming, an art exhibition can be scheduled to showcase their artwork. A variety of mediums will be taught. Call for program specifics: (270) 826-2247, ext. 227



Teacher Workshops

Learn the basics of teaching art to elementary-aged children. Choose a subject and learn step-by-step techniques: Owls, Self-portraits, Still Life Art, Land/Seascapes, and Drawing Nature. Available at the Audubon Museum or as an outreach at your school. Call for workshop specifics: (270) 826-2247, ext. 227

Audubon Museum

Age-appropriate guided museum tours immerse visitors directly into the life of John James Audubon through his life's work, particularly encompassing his time spent in Henderson, KY.

Docent-led Student Tours

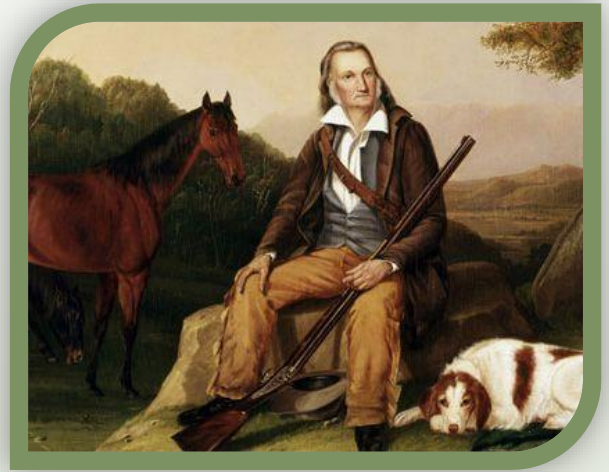
Learn about the life of the famous artist-naturalist, John James Audubon, in this engaging docent-led tour of the Audubon Museum.

During this tour, students explore the determination, perseverance, and talent of John James Audubon through encounters with the many artifacts and art objects on display, including the very rare "*Birds of America*" books.

Teachers have the option of a 45- or 60-minute tour, and can work with the Museum Curator to customize their tour to a specific theme or topic. For example, teachers may request a tour emphasizing Audubon's unique style of art, his views on human-environmental relations, or the entrepreneurial spirit of the Audubon family. Topics and themes are wide-ranging, but must be related to the Audubon story.

Scavenger Hunt Option

A scavenger hunt, designed to accompany the tour is available upon request.



Want other options? Ask about:

Low-Ropes Challenge Course

Take your students to a new level of learning - schedule a Low-Ropes Challenge Course! This combination of activities and stations hidden within the forest of John James Audubon State Park sets the groundwork for problem-solving, leadership, teamwork, trust, interpersonal relationships, and communication skill development. A facilitator will lead your group through a prescribed sequence of events to reach past self-imposed boundaries and ultimately increase self-awareness and bolster confidence. Ages 11 and up. Special pricing applies.

Customized Programs

Our education staff will be glad to work with you to create a program to fit your curriculum needs. If you have a specific topic you've been teaching that you want to reinforce, or if you would like us to cover a particular academic standard, let us know. We have many other educational resources that can complement your curriculum.

Outreach Programs

Can't make a field trip to the park? Let us come to you!

Many of our art and nature programs can be brought directly to your classroom. A travel fee/special pricing may apply.

Schedule your field trip today!

Unless otherwise stated, educational programming at John James Audubon State Park costs \$2/program/student. Teachers and bus drivers are free. Chaperones pay a \$2 daily pass to accompany the group.

Contact: Program Services Supervisor, Lisa Hoffman, (270)826-2247, ext. 228 or lisa.hoffman@ky.gov.

