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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Deschutes Land Trust announces the launch of Nature Kids in Madras

Explore the nature of Madras with your kiddos!

Bend, OR—April 7, 2026—The Deschutes Land Trust announced today the launch of a new program for families in Madras called Nature Kids. Nature Kids are outings for kids and families designed to explore the wonders of the natural world right in town at a local park. Discover how birds communicate, explore the ways that flowers attract pollinators, or find out how monarch butterflies make their amazing migrations. Each outing includes a hands-on activity so families can also get creative making unique insect art or nature mandalas.

With topics from birds to butterflies, teddy bears and bees, Nature Kids outings provide a free, easy way for kids and their families to explore, imagine, and grow together through hands-on activities and experiences outside. Get outside, explore the nature of Central Oregon, meet other families, and have fun! Offered on the third Saturday of the month April-October at Sahalee Park in Madras. Outings include:

- **April 18, 2026.** Nature Kids: Sky Explorers! Sahalee Park, 10:30am-12:00pm.
- **May 16, 2026:** Nature Kids: Pollinator Power! Sahalee Park, 10:30am-12:00pm.
- **June 20, 2026:** Nature Kids: Wild Inventors! Sahalee Park, 10:30am-12:00pm.
- **July 18, 2026:** Nature Kids: Insect Olympics! Sahalee Park, 9:30am-11:00am.
- **August 15, 2026:** Nature Kids: Teddy Bear Picnic! Sahalee Park 9:30am-11:00am.
- **September 19, 2026:** Nature Kids: Wings of Wonder! Sahalee Park, 9:30am-11:00am.
- **October 17, 2026:** Nature Kids: Batty for Bats! Sahalee Park, 10:30am-12:00pm.

All Nature Kids are free. Outings are ideal for families with kids ages 5-10. Registration is helpful, but not required. Registrants will receive important event details and directions leading up to the outing. Registration opens 1 month prior to the event. Find the full schedule online: deschuteslandtrust.org/hikes

About Deschutes Land Trust:

The Deschutes Land Trust envisions a future of strong and healthy natural and human communities—where we work together to conserve and care for the lands that make Central Oregon an incredible place to live, work, and grow. As Central Oregon's locally-based, nationally-accredited land trust, the Deschutes Land Trust has conserved and continues to care for more than 18,742 acres since 1995. For more information on the Deschutes Land Trust, contact us at (541) 330-0017 or visit deschuteslandtrust.org.

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