



VMS Entries for Hill Country Chapter

Please Note:

All items on the agenda are tentative and subject to change prior to event registration and the final event agenda.

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Thursday, October 21st, 2021

12:00p - 6:00p

★Field Session

AT21-AM Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area (LLELA), Presenter: Scott Kiester (AT=4h)

1:00p - 5:00p

AT21-AM Texas Waters Day - Irving I, Presenter: Melissa Felty (Alderson) (AT=4h)

1:00p - 5:30p

★Field Session

AT21-AM Girdling that Works: A Field Workshop @ Coppel Nature Park, Presenter: Cliff Tylick (AT=4h)

1:00p - 5:00p

★Field Session

AT21-AM Use of Prescribed Burning as a Land Management Tool, Presenter: Chris Schenck (AT=4h)

2:00p - 6:00p

★Field Session

AT21-AM Behind the Scenes at the Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT), Presenter: Tiana Rehman (AT=4h)

Friday, October 22nd, 2021

8:30a - 11:00a

★Field Session

AT21-AM Protecting 800,000 Residents from Devastation: The Wetlands of the Fort Worth Nature Center & Refuge, Presenter: Michael Perez (AT=2.5h)

★Field Session

AT21-AM Prairies at the Crossroads: Fort Worth Nature Center and Refuge, Presenter: Daniel Price (AT=2.5h)

9:00a - 12:00p

★Field Session

AT21-AM The Eastern Crosstimbers: An Uncommon Forest, Presenter: Scott Kiester (AT=3h)

8:00a-12:00p

AT21-AM Virtual Texas Stream Team Riparian Evaluation Citizen Scientist Training, Presenters: Sandra Arismendez, Claudia Campos (AT=4h)

AT21-AM Grasses, grasses, grasses, everywhere, but which one is it!!, Presenter: Dale Kruse (AT=4h)

8:00a-10:15a

AT21-AM Virtual The Air Potato Patrol Marches Through the Pandemic, Presenters: William Lester, Emily Kraus (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Virtual Birding by Ear, Presenter: Kelsey Low (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Using Reading the land to Gain a Better Understanding of Land Stewardship, Presenter: Ricky Linex (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM The Benefits of Native Plants & Natural Home Wildscaping, Presenter: Roger Sanderson (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM iNaturalist 101, Presenter: Craig Hensley (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Dendrology 101 and Tree Identification Techniques, Presenter: Christopher Ebling (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Interpretive Trail Guiding to Help Adults and Children Enjoy Being Outdoors, Presenter: David Powell (AT=2.25h)

8:00a-9:00a

AT21-AM Ocelots in Texas: Conservation Challenges and Opportunities, Presenter: Sharon Wilcox (AT=1h)

AT21-AM The Indoor Naturalist: Introduction to Viewing Microscopic Biodiversity through Moist Chamber Cultures, Presenter: Ashley Bordelon (AT=1h)

AT21-AM The Late Cretaceous Marine Fossils of the North Sulphur River, Presenter: Mick Tune (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Historical Women Naturalists: Remembering Forgotten Pioneers, Presenter: Addison Preston (Regennitter) (AT=1h)

9:15a-11:30a

AT21-AM Making the Case for Bird ID, Presenters: Maureen Frank, Emily Grant (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Botany Skills for Naturalists: Learning to Really See the Plants Around You, Presenter: Carol Clark (at=2.25h)

AT21-AM Junior Master Naturalist Roundtable, Presenter: Adrienne Paquette (AT=2.25h)

9:15a-10:15a

AT21-AM Operation Game Thief, Presenter: Danny Shaw (AT=1h)

AT21-AM The LLELA McWhorter Creek South Prairie Restoration Project, Presenters: Jimena Vivanco, Jaime Baxter-Slye, Richard Freihei (AT=1h)

AT21-AM How to be Texan by Nature, Presenter: Jenny Burden (AT=1h)

10:30a-11:30a

AT21-AM Virtual Counter Ignorance: Master Naturalists Owe it to the Environment, Presenter: Mark de Kiewiet (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Virtual Adopt-A-Loop - Great Texas Wildlife Trails, Presenter: Joshua Lee (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Gardening and Propagation of Texas Native Plants, Presenters: Mark & Andrea Morgenstern (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Headstarting Box Turtles: The Beginning, Presenter Hugh Franks (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Preserving Scientific Botanical (Herbarium) Specimens, Presenters: Jessica Lane, Tiana Rehman

AT21-AM Landscape & Geologic History of Oso Bay Wetlands Preserve, Corpus Christi, Texas, Presenter: Randy Bissell (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Introduction to Leave No Trace, Presenter: Bruce Polikoff (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Invasive Trees and Vines Found in North Texas Woodlands, Presenter: Rick Travis (AT=1h)

11:00a-12:00p

AT21-AM White-tailed Deer in the Blackland Prairies - How to Manage For or Against Them, Presenter: Ricky Linex (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Endangered Species in Texas and How You Can Help, Presenter: David Powell (AT=1h)

1:30a-5:30p

AT21-AM Sedges have edges, rushes are round...well not always!!, Presenter: Dale Kruse (AT=4h)

1:45P-5:15P

AT21-AM Rocks tell great stories ... if you listen, Presenter: Margaret Avard (AT=3.5h)

AT21-AM Hook, Line, and Sinker: Secrets to Engaging and Educating Through Interpretive Programs, Presenter: Carol Brinlee (AT=3.5h)

1:45p - 4:00p

AT21-AM Collecting Scientific Botanical (Herbarium) Specimens, Presenters: Ashley Bordelon, Tiana Rehman (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Native North Texas Trees Highly Prized by Wildlife, Presenter: Rick Travis (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Introduction to Entomology, Presenter: Christopher Ebling

1:45P-2:45P

AT21-AM Chronic Wasting Disease in Texas, Presenter: Ryan Schoeneberg (AT=1h)

AT21-AM War of the Worlds: Insects vs alien invaders, Presenter: Laurie Gonzales (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Prescribed burns in suburban areas - challenges, benefits and lessons learned, Presenter: Lorelei Stierlen (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Advocacy for Nature: Volunteers Can Educate Elected Officials Too!, Presenter: Jen Powis (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Applying Ecological Concepts and Modeling to Stop the Next Invaders, Presenters: Hanna Bauer, Holly Grand, Katie O'Shaughnessy (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Texas Turtles: A Cradle of Turtle Diversity across the Lone Star State, Presenter: Viviana Ricardez (AT=1h)

AT21-AM iNaturalist 201, Presenter: Craig Hensley (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Texas Water Specialist: Who, What, Where, Why, and Hows, Presenter: Melissa Felty (Alderson) (AT=1h)

3:00p-5:15p

AT21-AM The Houston toad still needs you! Annual update, Presenters: Paul Crump, Elizabeth Bates (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Kingfishers: Masters of Two Mediums, Presenter: Scott Kiester (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship (MAPS) Stations Across Texas, Presenter: Nicole Alonso-Leach (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Laws and Ethics 5.0, Presenters: Michael Mitchell, Richard Heibrun (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Lurking Leviathans in Texas Waters, Presenter: Carl Franklin (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Restoring Native Prairie Habitat on Public Land, Presenter: David Powell (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Small Acreage, Big Opportunity, Presenters: Amanda Gobeli, Iliana Peña, Maureen Frank (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Take-aways from training 64 new Texas Master Naturalists amid a pandemic, Presenter: Jean Suplick (AT=2.25)

3:00p-4:00p

AT21-AM Managing grasslands for pollinator conservation, Presenter: Elinor Lichtenberg (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Friends Don't Let Friends Spread Invasive Species, Presenter: Matthew McClure (AT=1h)

AT21-AM iNaturalist 301: Advanced Applications & Exploring Data in iNaturalist, Presenter: Tania Homayoun (AT=1h)

4:15p-5:15p

AT21-AM Becoming Zen: How cattle can benefit wildlife, Presenter: Megan Clayton (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Stop the spread! Using Texas invasives.org for Invasive Species identification, management and report, Presenter: Ashley Morgan-Olvera (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Tarantula Time in Texas, Presenter: Leah Patton (AT=1h)

7:30p-8:30p

AT21-AM Keynote: The Wonders of North Texas Nature, Presenter: Amy Martin
(AT=1h)

8:00p-9:00p

AT21-AM Moths and moth-ers, Presenter: Sam Kieschnick (AT=1h)

Saturday, October 23rd, 2021

★ Field Session 7:30a-10:30a

AT21-AM Birding At Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area (LLELA) and Lakeside Park, Presenters: Maureen Frank, Emily Grant (AT=3h)

8:00a-12:00a

AT21-AM Camera Trapping for Science, Presenter: Tania Homayoun & Craig Hensley, (AT=4h)

AT21-AM Bryophytes: taking a closer look at biodiversity, Presenter: Dale Kruse (AT=4h)

8:30a-10:45a

AT21-AM Lights Out Texas: A conservation effort for the birds double-feature, Presenter: Heather Prestridge (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Fifty Shades of Green; Neat Natives for your Landscape, Presenter: Ricky Linex (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Armchair Botanist: Community Scientists Digitizing Specimens, Presenters: Ashley Bordelon, Tiana Rehman, Diego Barroso, Clay Barrett (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Interpreting for Kids and School Groups, Presenter: Katie Raney (AT=2.25h)

8:30a-9:30a

AT21-AM What's in a Name? More Nature of Naming, Presenter: Matthew McClure (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Virtual Invasive Aquatic Plants, Presenter: Brittany Chesser (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Virtual Your Outside Voice: Nature Corps Oral History Project, Presenters: Randy Bissell, Michelle Alvarez (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Hiding Nuts: The Life and Times of Squirrels, Presenter: Jerrel Geisler (AT=1h)

AT21-AM First Steps in Tree ID, Presenter: Lisa Travis (AT21-AM)

9:00a-4:00p

★ Field Session,

AT21-AM Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area (LLELA) Restoration Day,
Presenter: Richard Freiheit (AT=4h)

9:00a-11:30a

★ Field Session

AT21-AM LISDOLA: The Lewisville Independent School District Outdoor Learning Area,
Presenter: Scott Kiester (AT=2.5h)

9:00a-11:00a

★ Field Session

AT21-AM The Making (and Sustaining) of a Nature Park, Presenters: Cynthia Contreras,
Rick Travis (AT=2h)

★ Field Session

AT21-AM Bob Jones Nature Center - History & Ecology, Presenter: Hannah Nyquist
(AT=2h)

9:45a-12:00p

AT21-AM Forest Ecology, Presenter: Christopher Ebling (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Native Texas Shade Plants, Presenter: Roger Sanderson (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Girdling that Works: Managing Woody Invasives with Volunteers, on a Budget -
and without Herbicides, Presenters: Cliff Tyllick (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Neighborhood Nature & Social Media - The Time for Education is NOW!,
Presenter: Jerrel Geisler (AT=2.25h)

9:45a-10:45a

AT21-AM Virtual, Using Swim Tunnels to Assess Whether Urban Development is
Threatening Our Native Texas Fishes, Presenter: Cameron Emadi (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Virtual Youth Outreach: Fight for the Stars: Be a Knight for the Night,
Presenter: Cindy Luongo Cassidy (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Coronavirus should awaken us to fight wildlife trafficking, Presenter: Michael
Mitchell (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Identifying Texas Freshwater Fish, Presenter: AJ Senchack (AT=1h)

11:00a-12:00p

AT21-AM Virtual KARST - The Role of Water in Shaping the Texas Hill Country, Presenter: Tom Jones

AT21-AM Virtual Ready, Set, Start Out WILD! Presenter: Wendy Drezek (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Wildflowers of the Blackland Prairie, Presenter: Carol Clark (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Partnering for Change: The Journey to Secure a Better Future for Texas Mountain Lions, Presenter: Monica Morrison (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Texas State Parks are here for you!, Presenter: Ben Horstmann (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Managing Pond Ecology: Understanding The Aquatic Food Web (AT=1h)

1:15p-3:30p

AT21-AM Virtual The Wonderful World of Cardinals, Presenter: Allison Copony
(AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Virtual Texas Master Naturalists gone WILD, Presenters: Kiki Corry, Diane Baxter, Lynda Folts, Ashley De Leon Torres, Cynthia Contreras (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM In Search of a Perfect Red: How Cochineal & Prickly Pear Forged a Dyeing Industry, Presenter: Ricky Linx (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Making Connections: Pollination Ecology, Native Plants and Their Pollinators, Presenter: Craig Hensley (AT=2.25)

AT21-AM No Mow Zones: Convince the park folks to reduce mowing, Presenter: Sam Kieschnick (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Intro to Interpretation, WHO CARES?, Presenter: Ben Horstmann (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Symbiotic Relationships in Texas and How to Teach it, Presenter: David Powell (AT=2.25h)

1:15p-2:15p

AT21-AM Owls, Nest Boxes, and Cameras, Presenter: Michael Mitchell (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Surviving in the City, Presenter: Rachel Richter (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Mapping Landscapes on the Go, Presenter: Wendy Anderson (AT=1h)

AT21-AM Youth Conservation Award Winning Research Projects, Presenter: Lynn Seman (AT=1h)

2:30p-4:45p

AT21-AM Journey Into Field Photography -- The Art and Science of Nesting Birds,
Presenter: Betsy Cross (AT=2.25h)

AT21-AM Texas Hummingbird Plants and Gardens, Presenter: Roger Sanderson

(AT=2.25h) **2:30p-3:30p**

AT21-AM The Critical Role of Nature in Childhood Development, Presenter: Jennifer
Stuart (AT=1h)

2:00p-4:00p

★ Field Session

AT21-AM Botanical Research Institute of Texas - Site Visit, Presenter: Tiana Rehman
(AT=2h)

3:30p-4:45p

AT21-AM Exploring the Night Sky as a Natural & Cultural Resource, Presenter: Katie
Raney (AT=1.25h)

3:45p-4:45p

AT21-AM Nature Journaling - The Power of Words, Presenter: Irmi Willcockson

(AT=1h)

Sunday, October 24th, 2021

9:00a-1:00p

★ Field Session

AT21-AM Kayaking the Elm Fork of the Trinity from LLELA to Trinity Fork Park,
Presenter: Scott Kiester (AT=4h)