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Just as ripples spread when a single pebble is dropped into water, the actions of individuals can have far-reaching impact. *The Ripple* is a special newsletter created by Cincinnati Nature Center for people who want ideas, insights, and inspiration to act in support of nature and the environment.

## You're Invited to Our First Common Good Gathering!

Tuesday, July 12, 6-8 pm

Are you looking for impactful ways to support nature and protect the environment? You are not alone! Join other Cincinnati Nature Center members as author Peter Block facilitates meaningful discussions where you'll have space to discuss issues and ideas that are important to you. Connect with others, get inspired, and brainstorm next steps for action. Plus, there will be pizza! Click HERE to RSVP by July 10.

**Learn More about Common Good Gathering** 

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

Cincinnati Nature Center offers many opportunities for volunteerism. Click here to learn more about volunteering at Cincinnati Nature Center.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has several volunteer opportunities at the ODNR Natural Resources Park at the Ohio State Fair, July 27-August 7. Click here for full descriptions of ODNR opportunities at the Ohio State Fair.



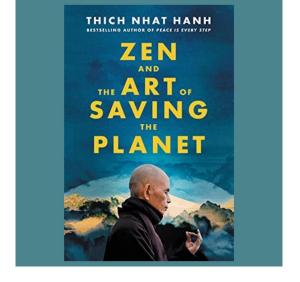
## Job Opportunities

The <u>Indian Hill Nursery School</u> is seeking a fun, upbeat, and passionate naturalist to join their preschool community. Please inquire at <u>nurseryschool@indianhillchurch.org</u> or call (513) 561-5513.

Click here for more information.

### **Learn More to Do More (Trainings and Discussions)**

<u>Click here to see full descriptions and information on the programs listed below.</u>



Book Discussion Group: Zen and the Art of Saving the Planet Thursdays in September 3-4:30 pm

Free; bring your own copy of the book. Space is limited to 10 people. To participate, contact Chris at lottmaca@ucmail.uc.edu.



Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Program September 17-October 29, In-Person and Online

The OCVN program emphasizes hands-on natural resource and environmental education coupled with volunteer service. It's a wonderful way to learn more about nature and to empower you to be a more confident volunteer.



## **Other Educational Opportunities**

Here are some resources for new ideas about ways to take action and to communicate with others. Click the name of each one for more details.

- <u>Learn How to be a Master</u>
   <u>Rain Gardener</u> with Cincinnati

  Master Rain Gardeners
- Wild Ones Presents "Weed Ordinances," a webinar with Rosanne Plante
- Wasted Food Stops with Us: Local resource on reducing food wasted
- How to Save the Planet and Still Use a Plastic Straw: Podcast on eco-quilt
- Moral Foundations Theory: Ted Talk by Jonathan Haidt

#### **News from Your Peers**

Learn how other Nature Center members are making a difference, overcoming obstacles, and forming connections through service. If you would like to tell your story about an environmental issue, action, or cause in which you are working to make a difference, you may submit your blog for consideration to Connie O'Connor at <a href="mailto:coconnor@cincynature.org">coconnor@cincynature.org</a>. Keep it short and send photos. Maybe we will use your piece next time! In this issue, we hear from Mark Lacy, a Certified Volunteer Naturalist and Nature Center volunteer.

# Read "In Search of Facts" by Mark Lacy

#### **Give Us Your Feedback**

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