TREAT YOURSELF TO A LEARNING ADVENTURE: THE 2018 CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP TRAINING COURSE!

Once again, Audubon Everglades is offering you an opportunity to explore and learn about the beautiful habitats surrounding you in Palm Beach County. Sixteen expert instructors will engage participants in understanding how these fragile, natural ecosystems and the Greater Everglades function and how five distinctive Florida habitats sustain plants, birds and wildlife, cope with invasive flora and fauna, manage species of concern, and adapt to growth and climate change.

In this 7-week basic environmental education course, field exploration will complement classroom study. There will be an advocacy component and special presentations during catered lunches. Throughout, stewards will be guided in developing a personal plan of action that will empower them to aid and advocate for their environment.

To bring you this experience, Audubon Everglades is partnering with the PBC UF/IFAS Cooperative Horticultural Extension with support from the Pine Jog Environmental Education Center, Loggerhead Marinelife Center, Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, and PBC Environmental Resources Management.

We are offering this Conservation Stewardship Training Course from February 5 to March 19, 2018, on Mondays, 9am to 1pm.

The syllabus includes the following topics/natural areas:

Feb. 5: Ecological Overview of Greater Everglades including Palm Beach County held at UF-IFAS Extension at Mounts Botanical Gardens

Feb.12: Freshwater Wetlands held at ARM Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge

Feb.19: Pine Flatwoods held at Pine Jog Environmental Center

Feb.26: Scrub held at Yamato Scrub Natural Area

March 5: Beaches and Dunes held at Loggerhead Marinelife Center/Juno Dunes Natural Area

March 12: Estuaries & Hammocks held at John D. MacArthur State Park

March 19: Conservation Advocacy held at UF-IFAS Extension at Mounts Botanical Gardens

The course fee is $95.00, which includes seven catered lunches. If you are an Audubon Everglades "2018 Chapter Only Member" prior to registration and complete the course (which means attending six of the seven sessions including the last session), a $15.00 discount will be refunded at the final session.

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