

PRIVATE/LOCAL

BLANK PARK ZOO

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www.blankparkzoo.com

Intern: Yes

Program: Self-guided tours for schools, special programs offered on weekdays and weekends for school and youth groups (i.e. Campfire, Scouts) to assist in achieving badges or awards; outreach programs to schools, outreach programs on ICN; summer classes and camps

Facilities: 21-acre zoo with indoor exploratorium; 20 major exhibits, more than 400 animals; train and camel rides

CITY OF DAVENPORT PARKS & RECREATION

Staff: Greg Wolf, Environmental Education Supervisor

Address: 214 West Central Park, Davenport Iowa 52803

Phone: 563-320-0384 Fax: 563-326-7815 Website:

www.cityofdavenport.com

Intern: Yes

Facilities: many city parks, Sunderbrunch Park (132 acre nature park), Vander Veer Botanical park with conservatory, Fejervary Children's Zoo, Credit Island (next to the Mississippi River), many shelters throughout the City of Davenport.

Newsletter: Davenport Parks and Recreation- Recreation Guide

E.E. Center: No

CRAWDADDY OUTDOORS

Darrin Siefken, Owner

Address: 107 East Bremer Avenue, Waverly IA 50677

Phone: 319/352-9129 Fax: 319/352/9129 Email:

info@crowdaddyoutdoors.com

Website: <http://www.crowdaddyoutdoors.com>

Program: Outdoor recreation and education retailer. Provide classes, clinics, and trips related to outdoor recreation.

Rental equipment is available as well.

E RESOURCES GROUP

Owner: Jean Eells

Email: jeanceells@gmail.com

Address: 2550 Stagecoach Road, Webster City, IA 50595

Phone: 515-297-0701

Website: www.eresourcesgroup.com

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/EResourcesGroup>

INDIAN CREEK NATURE CENTER

Staff: Rich Patterson, Director

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Jan Aiels, Education Facilitator /Naturalist

Margaret Wolter, Program Specialist

Address: 6665 Otis Road SE, Cedar Rapids IA 52403-7134

Phone: 319/362-0664 Fax: 319/362-2876

Web: www.indiancreeknaturecenter.org

Intern: Yes

Program: Science curriculum based programming for elementary and middle schools; others by request; preschool programs; cross-country ski instruction; maple syruping; naturalist-led walks on variety of topics; natural landscaping workshops; nature camps; Boy Scout and Girl Scout badge workshops; adult/family EE programming, including 80+ programs per year to the general public; programs for active adults (senior citizens); ecological restoration of prairie and oak savanna; Prairie Burning Workshop; Woodland Burning Workshop; Beekeeping classes; Wildflower Plant Sale; Nature's Noel Greenery and hand-made local craft sale; Maple Syrup Festival; Honey Fest; energy efficient building and exhibits.

Program List Available:

Yes Newsletter: Quarterly

Facilities: Privately funded nature center on 210-acres includes: four miles of trail through reconstructed prairie, restored oak savanna, creek and pond habitats, oak- hickory and riparian woodlands; Headquarters is a remodeled 1930's dairy barn which houses natural history exhibits, meeting rooms, gift shop and photo-voltaic and energy efficient exhibits. Grounds include a hard-surfaced trail to a butterfly garden, sugar house, sugar bush; constructed wetland septic system. The Center includes the Cedar Greenbelt National Recreation Trail, the Sac and Fox National Recreation Trail and is a National Environmental Study Area.

Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Sat.: 11:00-4:00 p.m.

IOWA ARBORETUM

Staff: Raedell Von Holdt, Executive

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Heather Bass, Horticulturist

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Phone: 515/795-3216 Fax: 515/795-2619

Website: www.iowaarboretum.org

Intern: Yes

Facilities: Meeting area/office building; 340-acre area includes 3 self-guided woodland trails with free printed guides available at the trailhead and 40-acre "Library of Living Plants" with hundreds of cultivated species

LIVING HISTORY FARMS

Address: 2600 111th Street, Urbandale IA 50322

Phone: 515/278-5286 Fax: 515/278-9808

Website: www.lhf.org

Intern: Yes (25 per summer)

Program: Recreates the daily routines of Iowa farm life of four eras: 1700 Iowa Indian village; 1850 pioneer farm; 1875 frontier town; 1900 farm includes a Crop Center on 20th century agriculture; interpreters in period clothing demonstrate and explain the historical crafts and equipment of rural Iowa; scheduled tours for schools, as well as general self-paced tours; sites are connected by a transportation system of tractor-drawn carts

Facilities: 600 acres with 4 historical eras of Iowa agriculture

NATIONAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM & AQUARIUM

Staff: Mark Wagner, Director of Education

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Address: National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, 350 East 3rd Street, Dubuque Iowa 52001

Phone: (563) 557-9545 Mark ext. 206, Jared ext.

Fax: (563)583-1241

Website: www.mississippirivermuseum.com

Intern: Yes

Facilities: National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium, Mathias Ham House, Old Jail, William M. Black, paddle wheel boat.

E.E. Center: Yes

Overnight facility: Yes

RACCOON RIVER PARK NATURE LODGE

Staff: Melanie Perry, Naturalist

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Address: City of West Des Moines Park and Recreation, Raccoon River Nature Lodge, P.O. Box 65320, West Des Moines IA 50265

Phone: 515/222-3435 Fax: 515/222-3658

Facilities: The Raccoon River Nature Lodge is a facility that currently focuses on rental space for the general public. The lodge does have a classroom that is used for environmental education programs and a small display area with stuffed mounts for public viewing.

E.E.Center: Yes

SOAR (Saving Our Avian Resources)

Staff: Kay Neumann, Executive Director

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Address: 25494 320th Street, Dedham IA 51440

Phone: 712/683-5555 Fax: 712/683-5535 Website:

www.soarraptors.org

Internships: yes, qualifying for college credits

Program: Educational programming with live birds of prey for all ages, groups, and events

Facilities: Wildlife rehabilitation facility available for guided educational tours by appointment

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