

Nature in the City

2026



JANUARY 27

How to Be A Happy Camper

Kevin Callan (a.k.a. The Happy Camper)

Join Kevin Callan, The Happy Camper, award-winning writer and speaker, as he shares why we seek the wilderness and how to enjoy it. Learn outdoor tips, camping gadgets, portaging etiquette, and even how to make a bush martini. With stories from his adventures across Canada, this is one talk you won't want to miss.

FEBRUARY 3

By the Sweep of the Bay – my five years with the coyotes

David Rankine

Learn about Rankine's five years studying a pack of Eastern Coyotes. Having gained their trust, he shows they're not the threat many believe. He'll share funny and moving stories and help ease fears about these intelligent animals in rural and urban areas.

FEBRUARY 10

Pollinators, their importance, and how we can support them

Jordan Phelps

Nearly 90% of flowering plants and 75% of food crops rely on pollinators, making them vital to ecosystems and agriculture. Beyond the well-known honey bee, native pollinators like bees, butterflies, and moths also play key roles but face major threats. In his presentation, Jordan Phelps from Pollinator Partnership Canada will discuss their importance, challenges, and how we can help protect them.

FEBRUARY 17

To See Is A Continuing Gift

Harry Cartner

Harry Cartner, the President of the London Camera Club, will explain how creating impactful photographic images is not about the equipment. It IS about seeing - seeing light, seeing compositions, and capturing what you feel in the final image.

FEBRUARY 24

Biodiversity Gardening and The Restoration of Nature

Dr. Nina Zitani

Many Londoners enjoy gardening, but most plants in the city are not native. Human activities have harmed wildlife habitats. Gardeners can help by using native plants, which support birds, mammals, and insects. What are native plants? What do insects eat? How can we help birds? By increasing biodiversity in our gardens, we can make a difference. Dr. Nina Zitani promotes diversity and will guide you in supporting wildlife in your backyard.

MARCH 3

Birds in the City

Brian Lasenby

Located within the Carolinian Zone, the Forest City (and surrounding area) is host to an impressive array of birds, with over 300 species recorded in the city alone. Join local nature photographer Brian Lasenby as he highlights some of this extraordinary diversity, along with the need for continued habitat protection.



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January 27 – March 3
7–8:30 pm

Wolf Performance Hall
251 Dundas St. London
519-661-4600

There is no charge for this event. Seating is limited. People are seated on a first come, first served basis. We suggest early arrival for good seating. Families are welcome!

The mission of Nature in the City is to contribute to the preservation and enjoyment of nature. Let's do this together by sharing information and stimulating an interest in the natural world around us

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