

COMMUNITY

Enjoy nature on Mother's Day at Willow Park Ecology Centre

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Hey moms, enjoy being out in nature with your family on Sunday between 2-3:30 p.m. at Willow Park Ecology Centre in Norval— parking at the end of Mary Street (www.willowparkecology.ca/registration).

To start we will take our guests on a tour to explore the Park's wildlife habitat features. We might spot spring flowers, birds, frogs, snakes and small mammals. Then, take advantage of an opportunity to build nesting boxes for the House Wren songbird with WPEC volunteer Pat Kelly. Bird boxes may be used to enhance bird living spaces, especially in urban areas. The ones built can either be made to be put out in your yard (for a \$5 donation) or to install in Willow Park habitats.

The WPEC Nearby Nature School Programs entice youngsters to understand where their food comes from by planting in the WPEC Organic Veg-



HOUSE WRENS

and watch grow as you and your children water and care for it. In no time, there will be fresh veggies to taste-test.

Consider joining us at 1 p.m. when WPEC celebrates Mother Earth through a Drumming Circle as the original peoples of this land did. The rhythmic drum beating is much like our own heartbeat. Everyone is welcome to participate— you don't need to bring a drum. Kids can make their own drums and shakers between 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Pavilion.

etable Gardens. This day, you too will have a chance to start a family "Snacking and Salad Garden" to

take home

Buy a rain barrel on Saturday in Georgetown

On Saturday, May 9, Halton Region will hold the first of four rain barrel truckload sales events in Georgetown as part of Halton's water efficiency program. The event will be held 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre on Trafal-

gar Rd.

Halton residents may purchase a rain barrel for \$40 (proof of Halton residency required).

For more information on the rain barrel sales events visit halton.ca/rainbarrels or dial 311.

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