

## 2017 Story & Stroll program at Rotary Botanical Gardens

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### What is the Story & Stroll program at Rotary Botanical Gardens?

A themed one-hour program that includes a half-hour story time and a half-hour of activities related to the session's theme. The program will be held outside in the Gardens if weather allows. Participants are welcome to explore the Gardens at the end of the program. No additional admission fee applies.

#### Who can participate in the Story & Stroll program?

2-6 year olds & their caregivers. Pre-registration not required for groups of 5 or less. (Please contact our education coordinator at [education@rotarygardens.org](mailto:education@rotarygardens.org) to register of a group of 5 or more.)

#### Where is the program held?

At Rotary Botanical Gardens, 1455 Palmer Drive, Janesville, WI 53545

#### What are the 2017 dates and times for Story and Stroll?

The one-hour program starts promptly at 10 a.m. **See the note below about late arrivals.** Program dates are April 5, May 2, June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6, October 4, and November 1. Held rain or shine, please dress for the weather. No rain checks.

#### What is the purpose?

To cultivate a love for learning and nature in young children.

#### How much does it cost?

\$2/children (ages 2+) and \$1/adults (16+). Normal adult admission is \$7/person.

Fees are used to help cover the costs for the take-home projects developed for this program. Rotary Botanical Gardens is a non-profit organization that is 100% privately funded and receives no tax dollars.

#### Other Story and Stroll procedures?

- The first 25 children and their caregivers will attend the first story time.
- The second 25 children and their caregivers will participate in activities first, and then attend story time.
- Children over and above 50 will be offered activities only. Fees still apply.
- Groups will need to wait to enter the program room until their entire party arrives. **No late arrivals can be accommodated once the program has begun.**
- Late arrivals can join the group who are taking part in activities. Meet outside the story room by 10:30 a.m. to enter the second Story Time session (pending space).
- More strolling? You are welcome to go out into the Gardens after the program ends. No additional admission fee applies.
- No snacks, bottles or sippy cups in the program room during story time! Wait until you are strolling outdoors – you are welcome to have snacks in the Gardens. (Feeding infants is an exception to this policy.)
- For maximum enjoyment of Story and Stroll, caregivers should:
  - Turn off or silence cell phones. No texting during the program.
  - Save personal conversations for outdoors or for after the program.
  - Park strollers in "Stroller Parking" outside the program room to ensure access to emergency exits.

**Please be patient with our policies and procedures.** They are designed to maximize safety and enjoyment for all. (If you have additional questions, comments or concerns, please contact our education coordinator at 608.314.8412.)