

Butterfly Pavilion Announces Two-Month Pollinator Palooza Celebration with Events for Everyone and New Pollinator Place Exhibit, May – June, 2023

Pollinator Palooza Festival on June 25 Featuring Live Free Outdoor Concert with Rising Nashville Star, John King and a Farmer's Market

What:

Butterfly Pavilion is launching Pollinator Palooza, a two-month pollinator celebration, May – June, with something for everyone to get involved in and learn about pollinator conservation.

- **Tuesday, May 2,** New Pollinator Place exhibit opens to public at 11:30 a.m.
- **Saturday, May 13,** Mother's Day Pollinator Workshop, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- **Sunday, May 14:** Mother's Day Butterfly Stroll, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- **Sunday, May 21,:** Pollinator Palooza Habitat Gardening Basics, Two 90-minute sessions at 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
- **Sunday, June 18:** Father's Day Craft with the Kids, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- **Sunday, June 25:** Pollinator Palooza Festival featuring free live outdoor concert with John King, Nashville artist on west lawn, farmer's market with booths connected to pollinators, food trucks, free pollinator face painting and character profile art, guided garden tours and more! 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Concert is from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. John King photo here: <https://butterflypavilion.canto.com/b/P7KE6>

Why:

Pollinators, such as bees, beetles, butterflies, and flies are critical for our economy, environment, and agriculture. Pollinators help sustain our ecosystems and produce our natural resources by helping plants reproduce.

- Almost a third of crops depend on insect pollinators
- Over 80% of flowering plants depend on insect pollinators
- Implications for soil, water, and climate resilience

Yet, pollinator populations are in decline. Butterfly Pavilion is a leader in pollinator protection and conservation and engages the community with opportunities to get involved with us. Pollinator Palooza events provide a great opportunity for people to learn about pollinators while having fun and finding out ways that they can get involved in pollinator conservation.

When:

May 2 – June 30, 2023

Exhibit: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Additional events at various times

See website for tickets and information: <https://butterflies.org/pollinator-palooza/>

Cost: Various Costs for individual events

Pollinator Palooza Festival – Free outdoor concert, at cost for food trucks; or some farmer’s market booths.

Where: Butterfly Pavilion

6252 W. 104th Ave
Westminster, CO

About Butterfly Pavilion

Founded in July 1995 and accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums in 2014, Butterfly Pavilion is the first accredited, stand-alone, non-profit invertebrate zoo in the world, occupying a 34,000-square foot facility situated on an 11-acre campus provided by the City of Westminster, Colorado. Butterfly Pavilion’s mission is to foster an appreciation of butterflies and other invertebrates while educating the public about the need for conservation of threatened habitats in the tropics and around the world. Learn more at www.butterflies.org

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