

## INSIDE WILLOW FORK DRAINAGE DISTRICT



*Enhancing Our Community  
through Drainage, Parks & Trails*

September 2024

### Step into Fall at WFDD Parks



Yoga on the Green



KISD Plein Air Painting

As temperatures cool down, programs at Central Green and Willow Fork parks are starting to pick up! There is something for everyone, so mark your calendars and follow us on Facebook at [Central Green](#) and [Friends of Willow Fork Park](#) for the latest event news. All events at Willow Fork Park begin at the pavilion. Highlights include:

#### **Central Green**

- Weekly yoga and tai chi classes and live music and movie nights on weekends.
- Monthly home school on the green featuring art, story time and more!
- Seasonal special events celebrating our community's diverse and engaging

culture, including: Latin Night on Sept. 26, a Nigerian Festival and Central Green's 11th annual birthday celebration on Oct. 19, and Día De Los Muertos on Nov. 2. Visit [Central Green's Event Calendar](#) for dates, times and more details.

### ***Willow Fork Park***

- Sept. 21, 8 a.m. – Take a guided walk and learn photography techniques from one of Katy's best nature photographers. Bring your camera of choice.
- Oct. 19, 9 a.m. – Participate in a bioblitz! At this citizen-science effort, learn to record species using fun mobile apps, while at the same time benefitting science. Find a caterpillar in the park and see how fast it goes in Willow Fork's Park's first annual caterpillar race.
- Oct. 26, 9 a.m. – View budding artists and works of art at the fifth annual KISD Plein Air Painting Event, featuring live landscape paintings by high school students, followed by an awards presentation.

[Central Green Facebook](#)

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## **Bag It, Don't Dump It!**



Cooling weather is an ideal time for tidying yards or tackling landscape projects, but please remember to help keep storm drains and channels clear as well. Lawn clippings blown into storm drains or yard debris dumped into drainage channels builds up over time, clogging storm drains and obstructing drainage. It also contributes to pollution in our waterways and may cause or worsen flooding. Residents are responsible for keeping their yard waste out of drains and channels, even when using a lawn service. Unauthorized dumping on District facilities, property, easements and rights-of-way is prohibited and is "subject to a

penalty up to \$10,000” and “may result in a Class C misdemeanor,” according to WFDD’s rules and regulations. [Read WFDD rules on the website.](#) Residents can report offenders or potential clogged storm drains to WFDD’s drainage operator, Inframark, at [281-578-4244](tel:281-578-4244).

## Help Mosquito-Proof Your Property



Storms can leave behind standing water, an ideal breeding ground for mosquitoes that continues well into the fall as temperatures stay warm. While both Fort Bend and Harris counties provide communitywide spraying in areas with confirmed mosquito-borne diseases activity, individual homeowner efforts contribute to successfully controlling and preventing the mosquito population. After rains, help reduce mosquito breeding by emptying, removing, or covering any water-holding containers, such as potted plants, toys, blow-up pools, buckets, wheelbarrows—anything that holds water—to keep pests away. Properly maintaining swimming pools, spas and fountains, changing birdbath water every 3-5 days, treating water that cannot be drained, and keeping gutters clear is also recommended.

**If you find this information helpful, please forward to your neighbors.**

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