

DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge



2012 Summer Ranger Programs

All programs are free unless otherwise listed.

Family Fishing Day- June 2, 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

South Gate Recreation Area

Enjoy these fun activities, fishing from kayaks and other small watercraft demonstrated by Bass Pro Shops and shoreline fishing with equipment available for loan by Nebraska Game & Parks. Fishing clinic instruction provided by the staff and volunteers of DeSoto NWR, Bass Pro Shops, Iowa DNR and Nebraska Game & Parks.

This day also coincides with Iowa Free Fishing Days (June 1-3). Any Iowa Resident can fish at DeSoto without a fishing license during this event. Fishing license requirements for Nebraska Residents age 16 years and older still apply.

Summer Jr. Refuge Manager Program Series- 10:00 a.m.

Thursdays, June 7, 21, July 5, 19, August 2, 16

Saturdays, May 26, June 16, 30, July 14, 28, August 11

Children will love these nature themed programs.
Pre-registration is appreciated at 712-388-4800.

Kid's Fishing Clinic – 10:00 a.m.

Saturdays, July 7, August 4

South Gate Recreation Area

Discover the wonders of fishing with a DeSoto staff member. Learn a few secrets of fishing while having a good time. Kid's younger than 16 can fish without a license, fishing license requirements for Nebraska and Iowa residents age 16 years and older still apply.

Habitat Work Days – 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Saturdays, June 23, July 21, August 18

Participate in conservation projects at the refuge. Projects may include trail maintenance and trash clean up. Bring work gloves and water. Meet at the visitor center.

Check out our website www.fws.gov/midwest/DeSoto or our Facebook page (search DeSoto and Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges) for more summer program updates.