



Salamander Scoop

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Feature Stories



Jackson Street School

A Residency Connecting Nature, Scientific Inquiry, and Language

During the 2014-2015 school year, Hitchcock Center educators worked with 330 students and teachers in grades 1-5 at Jackson Street Elementary School in Northampton. Among their many animal sign observations, students were able to view an exciting, unplanned, moment in tadpole development. [Read more...](#)



Sharing & Shaping Environmental Education Across Cultures

Tatiana Garcia Cam from Peru and Maria Manivesa from Uruguay joined Hitchcock Center staff to learn about environmental educational methods, programs, building project and the Living Building Challenge.

[Read more...](#)

Master Gardener Interns Gain Experience in Hitchcock Gardens

Master Gardener (MG) and Hitchcock Center Volunteer, Bridgit Litchfield, led a group of 10 interns training to become MGs in caring for the Butterfly, Caterpillar, and Horace Reed Memorial Gardens.

[Read more...](#)

Upcoming Programs and Events



Girls into the Wild Afterschool

Girls into the Wild brings girls together in a supportive environment that fosters creativity, nature skills and inquiry.

[Learn more...](#)



Homeschool II Dinosaur Explorers

Join us this fall as we travel deep into the past to explore the age of the dinosaurs. [Learn more...](#)



Nature Discovery Preschool

This fall children will learn about dinosaurs through stories, songs, movement and crafts. [Learn more...](#)

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE Campaign Update

- Thank you to the Rotary Club of Amherst for [awarding the Hitchcock Center](#) a \$50,000 Community Grant at it's annual Transition Dinner to support the water filtration system.
- Executive Director [Julie Johnson talked with Jim Madigan on Connecting Point](#) about the importance of our new 'living' building.
- Want to keep up with what's happening on site? Follow our progress on our blog: [footings](#) are now complete.

**Building for the Future:
the Campaign for the Hitchcock Center**

OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL: \$5,800,000

— \$5,800,000
● \$5,000,000
— \$4,500,000
— \$4,000,000
— \$3,500,000
— \$3,000,000
— \$2,500,000
— \$2,000,000
— \$1,500,000
— \$1,000,000
— \$500,000
— \$0

\$4,922,017
as of July 23, 2015



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More News

- Nature Summer Campers have been having fun this summer! Meet this year's [Camp Staff](#) and check out our new [Nature Summer Camp gallery](#) of camp photos.
- Hitchcock Naturalist and Environmental Educator Ted Watt [co-publishes classroom curriculum](#) in Science and Children.
- Our Salamander Sunday brunch guests viewed the premier of our new video [Resilience: A Chance to Build](#) created by videographer, Kyle Forbes Bissel.
- More than \$19,100 in Biothon support poured in from 243 people. Your generous donations spread the [Biothon buzz](#) and provide vital funding for all of Hitchcock's year-round environmental and science education programs. Thank you for supporting our 16 teams that counted a record 651 species this year!
- Stay up to date with [Earth Matters columns](#) published in the Daily Hampshire Gazette.

About Us

The Hitchcock Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that works to inspire people to learn about our natural world through innovative, hands-on environmental education programs. We help people to explore the interconnections between the health of humans and ecosystems, reinforcing our innate bonds with our environment, and looking to nature as a model and measure to improve our quality of life.

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