

## Fall 2011 Clean-Up Schedule

Below are the dates for Fall clean-ups at Japhet Creek. Please feel free to share these dates with other organizations and individuals and include them in your calendars. Thank you for your continued support of our environmental activities.

Saturday, September 17

Saturday, October 8

Saturday, October 15

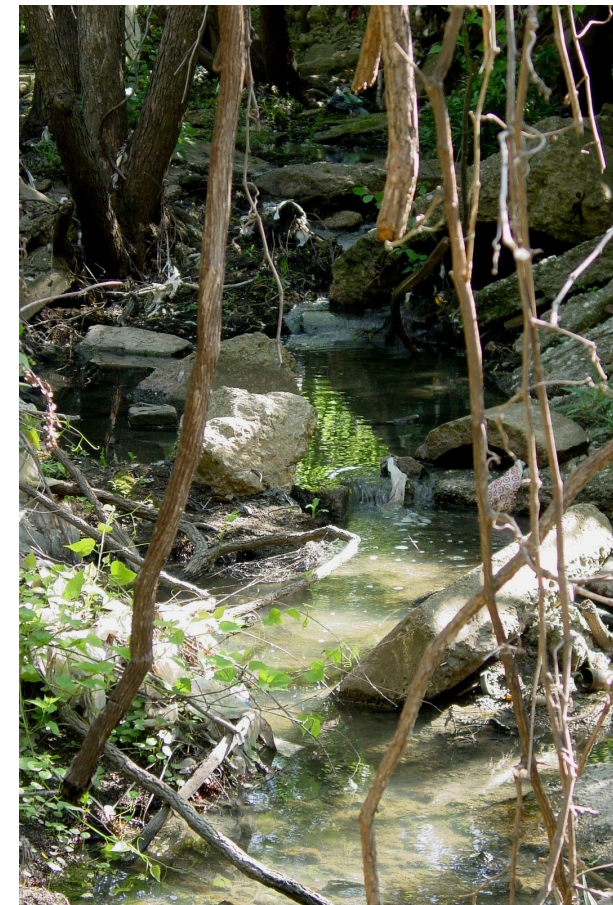
Saturday, November 12

Saturday, November 19

Saturday, December 3

*"Activities at Japhet Creek Linear Park clean-ups include picking up trash, planting native trees and bushes, clearing path of vines and limbs, mulching around trees and in pathways, removing non-native plant species, and other similar tasks. Groups of volunteers may be working along the banks and in the waterway."*

Volunteering for a clean-up Japhet Creek can tie into your school's curricula or your company's community service plan. Working at the creek restoration can be a spin-off for interdisciplinary discussions about history of Houston, botany, earth sciences, team-building and other academic areas.



## Call or E-mail Us for More

### Information or to Schedule a Clean-Up

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Restoration Volunteers!**

**Volunteering at  
Japhet Creek  
Linear Park**

**A City of Houston Park**

## Japhet Creek Volunteer Group Check List

- Get school approval for off-campus activity.
- Coordinate dates and activities with Jessalyn or Brian. (See below.) Weekday and weekend activities can be scheduled.
- Get copies of release. (Signature of each under-age participant's parent required)
- Schedule transportation.
- Schedule adult supervision. A minimum of 1 adult for every 10 students must be provided by the school. Parents and school-approved chaperones are encouraged to participate.
- Discuss with students what the group will be doing and how they will accomplish any specific goals that they need to meet. Community service hours are documented by the teacher.
- Discuss appropriate dress for worksite is sturdy shoes, long-sleeves and long-pants. Insect spray will be available for individual use.
- Students should bring a re-usable water bottle.

**Japhet Creek Linear Park is a City of Houston facility, located at 4600 Clinton at the Southeast corner of Emile. Japhet Creek and Buffalo Partnership will provide the following.**

- Hard or electronic copy of the required release form.
- Hard or electronic copy of maps to the Japhet Creek Park worksite.
- Direction, encouragement and additional supervision to direct work on site.
- Tools and gloves provided as needed.
- Water during the work-time and soft drinks and a snack at the end of the work-time.



## Tentative Schedule for Workday Activities

8:30	Japhet Creek staff meet on site.
9:00-9:30	Volunteers/students arrive. Introductions. Short tour with history of the site and explanation of the day's activities. Volunteers are usually assigned to groups that will work with a staff member.
11:30	Volunteers/students reconvene to put up tools, evaluate the activities, and share a snack.
Noon	Activity is completed.



"The Japhet Creek trail will be a valuable 'green finger' connecting Buffalo Bayou and the Japhet and Fifth Ward neighborhoods."

*-Ann Olson, Buffalo Bayou Partnership*

## Japhet Creek Partners

Greater East End Management District  
Buffalo Bayou Partnership  
Houston-Galveston Area Council  
City of Houston/Parks and Recreation  
Houston Arboretum and Nature Center  
Keep Houston Beautiful  
Trees For Houston  
UH/Communication & Design Program  
University of Houston/Architecture Program  
Representative Gene Green  
Greater Houston Partnership (GHP)  
Proler SW/SIMS Metal Management  
Chase Bank/Lockwood Branch  
Houston Arboretum and Nature Center  
Sierra Club  
Audubon Society  
Japhet Creek Civic Association  
Citizen's Environmental Coalition  
San Jacinto Council Girl Scouts/Troop #2413  
University of St. Thomas/Environmental Studies  
Transitions Houston  
Permaculture Education/Urban Harvest  
Wheatley High School  
Henderson Elementary School  
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