



## Wetlands Park Friends

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**Clark County Wetlands Park & Wetlands Park Friends Present 'Wetlands in the Summer:  
An Evening Lecture Series' Lecture Two of Five:  
The Relict Leopard Frog: Over Two Decades of Conservation**

LAS VEGAS, NV (May 1, 2025). . . Clark County Wetlands Park and Wetlands Park Friends are excited to announce, "Wetlands in the Summer: An Evening Lecture Series," the second of five events on **May 15**, from **6 p.m. to 8 p.m.** This event will take place at the Wetlands Park Nature Center Auditorium, 7050 Wetlands Park Lane, off Tropicana Avenue. No registration is required, simply walk in and enjoy! Light refreshments will be provided during the event:

**Thursday  
June 12**      **"The Story of the Relict Leopard Frog: Over Two Decades of  
Conservation"**

**Speaker:**      **Jef Jaeger, UNLV Associate Professor in Residence with the School of Life  
Sciences**

Native to southern Nevada, the Relict Leopard Frog suffered a substantial decline in range and numbers by the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. In 2001, the species became the focus of an intensive, multiagency conservation effort that is centered on managing populations and systematic monitoring. Professor Jaeger's presentation will focus on the history of this conservation program, along with its successes, setbacks, and limitations.

Jef Jaeger is currently an Associate Professor in Residence with the School of Life Sciences at UNLV, where he teaches courses in introductory biology, biogeography, conservation, and ecology. Dr. Jaeger maintains an active research program, with much of his effort now focused on amphibian conservation. He currently chairs the Relict Leopard Frog Conservation Team and is the vice chair of the California/Nevada Amphibian Populations Task Force. His work on the Relict Leopard Frog extends back to the late 1990s. He has a B.A. in environmental studies from the University of California, Santa Cruz, and an M.S. and Ph.D. in biological sciences from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV).

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Since 2019, Wetlands Park Friends is the nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization dedicated to promoting conservation, awareness, and appreciation of Clark County Wetlands Park through its educational programs and activities. Its office is located inside the Park's Administration Building in the Nature Center; 7050 Wetlands Park Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89122. Its phone number is 702-806-6852. For more information, including how to become a Friend and donate, please visit: [www.wetlandsparkfriends.org](http://www.wetlandsparkfriends.org) or on social media at WetlandsParkFriends.

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More information about this event can be found at <https://rb.gy/2nphgb>. As one of the largest urban wetlands in the Southwest, Clark County Wetlands Park is home to more than 300 species of birds and 70 species of mammals and reptiles, including beavers, coyotes, bobcats, and snakes. The Nature Center is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and hosts a variety of programming activities. Park outdoor hours are dawn to dusk, seven days a week. To learn more about this event and other activities available, visit the Wetlands Park pages of Clark County's Parks and Recreation Department at [www.ClarkCountyNV.gov](http://www.ClarkCountyNV.gov). You also can follow Clark County Wetlands Park on social media at CCWetlandsPark.

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Clark County is a dynamic and innovative organization dedicated to providing top-quality service with integrity, respect and accountability. With jurisdiction over the world-famous Las Vegas Strip and covering an area the size of New Jersey, Clark is the nation's 11th-largest county and provides extensive regional services to 2.3 million citizens and 45.6 million visitors a year (2019). Included are the nation's 8th-busiest airport, air quality compliance, social services and the state's largest public hospital, University Medical Center. The County also provides municipal services that are traditionally provided by cities to 1 million residents in the unincorporated area. Those include fire protection, roads and other public works, parks and recreation, and planning and development.

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