

To Bee or Not to Bee in the City: Wild Bee Diversity in St. Louis

Wednesday, December 7, 2016

7:30-9 p.m.

Anheuser-Busch Theater

The Living World

Free admission

No reservations needed



Featured Speaker:

Gerardo R. Camilo, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Biology, Saint Louis University; Conservation Fellow, Saint Louis Zoo

The impression most people have of cities is that they are biodiversity deserts. But recent studies show that when it comes to bees, cities are refuges against many threats these important pollinators might face in rural and agricultural areas.

St. Louis hosts more than 160 species of bees, greater than any other city in the Midwest. Most of this diversity is on the city's north side, with its abundance of vacant lots, urban farms and community gardens. Among this marvelous urban diversity are some of North America's most rare bees.

Dr. Camilo, one of the world's foremost food web ecologists, seeks to discover why St. Louis is such a special place for our native bees.

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