

## A Bowker Biodiversity Day

Saturday, August 12

At Kings Community Nature Space  
(aka, Kings Park)



**Help us organize it**  
**to celebrate**  
the creek's iconic species,  
**to create a vision for**  
**a corridor of biodiversity**  
from UVic to the Salish Sea.

### **Please consider joining the planning group?**

This year is a key time for a biodiversity message at the new park in Saanich.

- Parks is planning how to improve the site and restore the creek.
- Saanich is also forming its Biodiversity Strategy and we want Bowker Creek to form a vital part of it.
- Across the street, at Lansdowne Middle School, South Campus, a developer seeks zoning to build on public greenspace in the floodplain.
- New development will soon transform many blocks of Shelbourne, where the creek runs in culvert.

It's a critical moment for people to catch a vision of thriving stream and streambank life amidst urban density.

Salmon, crayfish, otter, bats, tree frogs, warblers, owls—many iconic species populate the stream corridor. Which ones will we spotlight? Urban forest extends along the creek. How will we show its benefits? We plan a breeding bird survey for the whole creek. How will it fit with the August 12 celebration?

Will there be music? Food? Games? Special guests? How will we pitch our message? To whom? Where will we find funding? Who are key partners?

**Relevant skills or experience are welcome but not necessary. A good team of ordinary people can do wonders.**

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