

BRIEF BIO

Becky Rader

Dallas Native

Attended Hillcrest High School

B.S. Degree from West Texas State University (Canyon, TX)

Major: Wildlife Science

Minor: Biology, Education and English

Work: Educator for Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DODDS)

Educator in private schools in Dallas

Landscape Designer and Consultant specializing in Native Habitat Gardens, Schoolyard Habitats, and native habitat restorations.

Chief Naturalist, Dallas Museum of Natural History---education program developer and presenter, consultant for habitat restoration for schools and municipalities, community resource for wildlife and native plant questions, etc.

Archives Assistant, Dallas Historical Society---Assisted in the de-accession of archival materials not related to Texas or Dallas History.

Contract periods as Director of Education for the Dallas Historical Society

Lead Consultant, Museumscapes---Research and compile the interpretive content for the John Bunker Sands Wetland Center.

Independent Consultant and Contractor---focus on natural resources conservation and preservation, interpretive content for nature centers, Texas historical research, and providing science-based workshops for educators.

Volunteer:

Boy Scouts for 10 years, North Texas Master Naturalist-Past President 2000 and 2001(second in chapter) and board/member 1998-2006, served on the Arboretum-Education and Research Committee, Texas Discovery Gardens-Design and Development Committee, White Rock Heritage District Committee, White Rock Task Force, and the White Rock Prairie Committee Chair since 1999, Dallas Environmental Health Commission, Dallas Parks Board, native habitat (prairie nut) consultant for DPARD at White Rock Lake, among other things.

Interests: Reading, researching native flora and fauna, researching the history of Colonial Spanish mustangs, art, prairies, critters, walking at the lake and actually looking at things while trying to stay out of the way of those who don't know how to slow down and smell the wildflowers.

Favorite things: My family, friends and the pet critters.