

# The Sequatchie Valley Institute

Invites you to join us

**March 25 & April 8**

For our annual

**Spring Wildflower Hikes**

**Near Chattanooga, Tennessee**



Come and join us along with the ragwort, buckeye, bloodroot, trout lily, trilliums, redbuds, and dogwoods in the coves and hollows of the beautiful Sequatchie Valley. We will be accompanied by naturalists, ethnobotanists, and foresters familiar with the ecology of our bioregion.

The hikes will begin at 1 CT (2 ET). Please arrive at our parking area no later than 12:30 for a shuttle or hike to the SVI center, one mile from the parking area. A moderate hike will meander for 2 hours below the bluffs to discover the awakening native flora. A more rugged hike will continue on Hick's Creek and up the canyon, exploring the hidden treasures of Appalachia.

You are welcome at 11 CT for a tour of the permaculture landscape, hand-crafted solar homes, and Pipsisewa Arboretum Trail. *Liquidambar* Art Gallery at SVI, with pottery, paintings, sculptures, and glass by local artists, will be open. Bring lunch or snacks to eat at our beautiful picnic areas in the woods before the hike. We'll provide herb tea and coffee.

Please come prepared with long pants, hat, sturdy shoes, rainwear, water, snacks, camera, id books, and journals. Plan to take lots of pictures. Kids of all ages are welcome! NO PETS please as we are a wildlife refuge. After the hike, enjoy a glass of wine and cheese at the Gallery.

The Sequatchie Valley Institute is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization promoting education and research in sustainable green living, ecology, and art. Donations of \$8-\$20 for the hike help cover the cost of this and future educational events.

SVI is located 45 minutes from Chattanooga between Dunlap and Whitwell, at 1233 Cartwright Loop, Whitwell, TN 37397.

To register or for more information, call 423-949-5922/4598 or email [education@svionline.org](mailto:education@svionline.org); <https://SVIonline.org>; <https://liquidambarsvi.wordpress.com>; [www.facebook.com/Sequatchie Valley Institute/Events](http://www.facebook.com/SequatchieValleyInstitute/Events)

