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SBEP'S BAY GUARDIANS TO REMOVE INVASIVE PLANTS AT G.WIZ

SARASOTA, FL – The Sarasota Bay Estuary Program's Bay Guardian volunteers will be working with Around the Bend Nature Tours to remove invasive vines at the G.WIZ Science Museum on Saturday, February 12. The volunteer effort will run for two and a half hours beginning at 11am. G.WIZ is located at 1001 Boulevard of the Arts in Sarasota.

Sarasota Bay Guardians is a family-friendly volunteer program that SBEP manages in partnership with Around the Bend Nature Tours. The program was established to attract volunteers interested in helping restore Sarasota Bay's habitat. The Bay Guardians program is a fun way to volunteer while learning more about the Bay. New volunteers will receive a tee shirt featuring the Bay Guardians logo.

Registration is required and it can be made through the SBEP website at sarasotabay.org. Inquires about Bay Guardians are welcome at 941-955-8085 or sara@sarasotabay.org.

The Sarasota Bay Estuary Program is dedicated to restoring the area's greatest natural asset—Sarasota Bay. Its unique program strives to improve water quality, increase habitat and enhance the natural resources of the area for use and enjoyment by the public. Sarasota Bay is one of 28 estuaries in the United States that have been named by the U.S. Congress as an "estuary of national significance." Partners include Sarasota County, Manatee County, City of Sarasota, City of Bradenton, Town of Longboat Key, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Southwest Florida Water Management District, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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