



HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT HAYWARD SHORELINE INTERPRETIVE CENTER



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Naturalist Programs for Winter 2015

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DECEMBER

TODDLER RAMBLE: The Finer Things in Life

(Ann Graham)

Fri. Dec. 5, 12, & 19, 10:30am - 11:15am

It's time to work on fine-motor skills. Our fingers will practice picking and plucking and pinching (but not ourselves!). Ages 1 to 3. FEE: \$5 per child.

Dec. 5, #28289 Dec. 12, #28549

Dec. 19, #28550

NATURE DETECTIVES: Rain, Rain, Come Our Way

(Linden Rayton)

Sat. Dec. 6, 11:00am - 12:00pm

Explore properties of rain with crafts, experiments, and songs. Bring boots and a coat even if it isn't raining! Ages 3 to 5. FEE: \$7 per child. CLASS #28292

Owl Pellet Dissection

(Patti Workover)

Sun. Dec. 7, 11:30am - 12:30pm

Dissect owl pellets to identify barn owl prey. Look at bones under microscopes and put together the skeletons found in your own pellets. Ages 5+.

FEE: \$7 per person. CLASS #28555

BIRD WALK: Come Explore the Sensitive Side of Things

(Ann Graham)

Sat. Dec. 13, 11:00am - 2:00pm

At low tide, many birds like Marbled Godwits feast on small prey. Meet at the Eden Landing Ecological Reserve parking lot at the corner of Arden and Clawiter Rds to see them. Ages 12+.

FEE: \$5 per person. CLASS #28564

JUNIOR NATURALISTS: Microbial, Microscopic Life

(Shayna Butler)

Sun. Dec. 14, 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Discover a world of life! Collect water samples and view animals that can only be seen with a microscope. Discover key players of the marsh. Ages 8 to 12. FEE: \$7 per child. CLASS #28313

Leopard Shark Feeding Frenzy (Staff)

Sat. Dec. 20, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Learn about and help feed leopard sharks, perch, snakes and other native animals. Who gets fed and who gets eaten? All ages. FREE

First Day of Winter King Tide Hike (Nancy Ceridwyn)

Sun. Dec. 21, 10:30am - 12:00pm

Will water cover the trail? What will the shore look like in 2030? Look at the future and marvel at the power of the Bay. Bring your boots! Ages 8+.

FEE: \$5 per person. CLASS #28556

VOLUNTEER: Weekend Weed Warriors

(Patti Workover)

Sun. Dec. 21, 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Positively impact the shore by eradicating non-native plants threatening diversity. Refreshments provided.

Bring gloves or borrow ours. Ages 12+.

Sign up online at haywardrec.org.

JANUARY

TODDLER RAMBLE: Animals of All Kinds!

(Ann Graham)

Fri. Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 10:30 - 11:15am

There are so many kinds of animals in our marshes that it will take a month to explore the different kinds that crawl, swim and fly! Ages 1 to 3.

FEE: \$5 per child. Jan. 2, #30486

Jan. 9, #30487 Jan. 16, #30488

Jan. 23, #30489 Jan. 30, #30490

NATURE DETECTIVES:

Ducks Unlimited (Linden Rayton)

Sat. Jan. 3, 11:00am - 12:00pm

Lots of ducks spend time in our marshes right now. Play some ducky games and search for live ducks in the marsh floating with high tide. Ages 3 to 5. FEE: \$7 per child. CLASS #30497

Celestial Coincidence

(Patti Workover)

Sun. Jan. 4, 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Tonight, the sunset and moonrise will be happening at nearly the same time. Explore the moon and the sun through science experiments and go on a sunset-moonrise hike! Ages 8+.

FEE: \$8 per person. CLASS #30500

BIRD WALK: You are What you Eat

(Ann Graham)

Sat. Jan. 10, 9:30am - 12:30pm

The Canvasbacks, named after the wild celery plant they eat, winter in our freshwater marsh. Meet at the Interpretive Center and explore in search of this distinctive, diving duck along with its other duck cousins.

Ages 12+. FEE: \$5. CLASS #30513

VOLUNTEER: Weekend Weed Warriors

(Patti Workover)

Sun. Jan. 11, 1:00pm - 4:00pm

See description from December 21.

Dedication of New Trail Signs (Adrienne De Ponte)

Sat. Jan. 17, 3:00pm - 5:00pm

As part of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Fishing Grant, four interpretive signs were installed along the trail. Hike to view artwork donated by photographers Warren Holcomb and Lee Aurich. Refreshments provided. All ages. FREE



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Mini Winton Day

(Linden Rayton)

Sat. Jan. 17, 10:30am – 12:00pm

Come tidepooling and glass-hunting and then work on your camouflage skills with a game! Snack provided. Dress to explore. Meet at the West Winton Avenue trailhead. Ages 6+.

FEE: \$5 per child. CLASS #30501

Fun with Plankton

(Shayna Butler)

Sun. Jan. 18, 11:00am – 12:00pm

Though hard to see, millions of plankton live in marsh water and mud. Collect samples and view them in microscopes. Which can you identify? Ages 5+.

FEE: \$5 per child. CLASS #30502

Secrets of the Slides

(Nancy Ceridwyn and Linden Rayton)

Thu. Jan. 22, 6:00pm – 7:30pm

View a series of stunning slides of wildlife and salt harvesting. Have refreshments and reflect on the changes to the Hayward Shoreline. Meet at the Hayward Area Historical Society Center at 22380 Foothill Blvd. MUSEUM

FEE: \$8 general; \$5 student/senior.

BIRD WALK: Trip to the Central Valley in Search of Cranes

(Ann Graham)

Sat. Jan. 24, 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Meet at the Cosumnes River Preserve Visitor Center northwest of Lodi for an engaging walk through wetlands seeking Sandhill Cranes, geese, Tundra Swans, and more. Registration required. Carpools available. More details provided on registration. Ages 12+.

Leopard Shark Feeding Frenzy

(Staff)

Sun. Jan. 25, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

See description from December 20.

FEBRUARY

The Art of Animal Tracking

(Patti Workover)

Sun. Feb. 1, 10:30am – 12:30pm

Hike through restricted areas and search for animal tracks, feathers, and scat. Then reconstruct stories of their past and make plaster casts. Ages 7+.

FEE: \$7 per person. CLASS #30503

TODDLER RAMBLE: Little Scientists Unite!

(Ann Graham)

Fri. Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:30am -11:15am

We love to conduct experiments and this month the toddlers are joining in the fun. We will make things fizz and bounce and explore solids, liquids and gases. Ages 1 to 3.

FEE: \$5 per child.

Feb. 6, #30491 Feb. 13, #30492

Feb. 20, #30493 Feb. 27, #30494

NATURE DETECTIVES:

Pickle Me This

(Linden Rayton)

Sat. Feb. 7, 11:00am - 12:00pm

Now is a great time to visit our plant friends. Collect plants to press in a book to take home. And of course, taste-test some pickleweed! Ages 3 to 5.

VOLUNTEER:

Weekend Weed Warriors

(Patti Workover)

Sun. Feb. 8, 1:00pm - 4:00pm

See description from December 21.

BIRD WALK: Fish, Anyone?

(Ann Graham)

Sat. Feb. 14, 9:30am – 12:30pm

This bird is amazingly talented at catching fish with its feet, has brown and white plumage, and yellow eyes. It's an Osprey! Meet at the Grant Ave. trailhead to look for them. Ages 12+.

FEE: \$5 per person. CLASS #30515

Family Discovery Hike

(Shayna Butler)

Sun. Feb. 15, 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Come one, come all to explore the salt marsh habitat. Learn about crabs, birds, edible plants and more on this hike. Dress to get dirty! Ages 7+.

FEE: \$5 per child. CLASS #30504

Float Yer Boat

(Linden Rayton)

Sat. Feb. 21, 12:30pm – 1:30pm

Avast! Can you create a natural-material boat that survives the incoming tide? We will provide some materials and go exploring for others. Launch your boat to see if it sinks or swims. Win prizes for most durable, most creative, biggest, and more! Ages 5+.

FEE: \$5 per child. CLASS #30505

CURRENT EVENTS: Tides, Wind and Currents in the South Bay

(Nancy Ceridwyn)

Sat. Feb. 21, 1:00pm – 2:30pm

Planning a trip to the beach? Going tidepooling or fishing? Knowing tides and currents will not only improve your shore experience on the Bay, but will provide fascinating insight into local environments. Ages 12+.

Leopard Shark Feeding Frenzy

(Staff)

Sun. Feb. 22, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

See description from December 20.

BIRD WALK:

Yellow is the Lovliest Color

(Ann Graham)

Sat. Feb. 28, 10:30am – 1:30pm

Western Meadowlarks have yellow feathers so bright that they will perk up any winter doldrums. Meet at the end of the West Winton trailhead to find these cheerful birds. Ages 12+.

FEE: \$5 per person. CLASS #30516