



HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT HAYWARD SHORELINE INTERPRETIVE CENTER

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Naturalist Programs for Spring 2016

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MARCH

TODDLER RAMBLE:

Colorpalooza! (Ann Graham)

Fridays, Mar. 4, 11, 18, & 25
10:30am-11:15am and 2:30pm-3:15pm
Spring has arrived and nature has noticed! To honor the brilliance of this month, play with color by blending, sorting and finding all the colors in the marsh. Ages 1 to 3. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD.

CLASS# MAR 4 - 10:30AM: #35079 | 2:30PM: #35080
CLASS# MAR 11 - 10:30AM: #35081 | 2:30PM: #35082
CLASS# MAR 18 - 10:30AM: #35083 | 2:30PM: #35084
CLASS# MAR 25 - 10:30AM: #35085 | 2:30PM: #35086

NATURE DETECTIVES:

Water Water Everywhere!

(Elena Frink)
Saturday, Mar. 5, 11:00am-12:00pm
This month, we'll explore the unique, brackish water at the salt marsh. We may even get to look at small creatures who thrive in this water. Ages 3 to 5. FEE: \$7 PER CHILD. CLASS #35137

First Peoples History Walk

(Aaron Aguilar)
Sunday, Mar. 6, 11:00am-12:30pm
Hike in the marsh to learn about the original human inhabitants of the Bay. Discuss the local native tribes and their ways of living with the land. Ages 12+. FEE: \$8 PER PERSON. CLASS #35139

VOLUNTEER:

Shoreline Trash Takers

(Patti Workover)
Sunday, Mar. 6, 12:30pm-2:00pm
Grab your gloves and your goodwill; the park needs your help getting rid of trash that has accumulated since our last clean-up. Trash bags and gloves provided. All ages.

BIRD WALK:

Buffle What? (Ann Graham)

Saturday, Mar. 12, 9:30am-12:30pm
Today, look for a subtly perfect sea

duck that knows how to ride a wave. The Bufflehead or "buffalo-head" is a charming, favorite bird of many. Meet at Eden Landing Ecological Reserve at the corner of Eden Landing Rd. and Arden Rd. in Hayward. Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #36552

VOLUNTEER:

Restoration Rangers

Sunday, Mar. 13, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Have a positive impact on the environment. We need your enthusiasm to remove non-native plants that threaten diversity. Snacks provided. Bring gloves or borrow ours. Ages 12+.

Family Fishing Fun

(Elena Frink)
Saturday, Mar. 19, 9:30am-12:30pm
The tide today is opportune for fishing; hike out to the bay and learn the basics of rigging, casting and possibly catching! No previous experience needed. Gear provided. Participants age 16+ must have a fishing license. Ages 6+. FEE: \$12 PER PERSON. CLASS #36541

The Secret Life of Plankton

(Patti Workover)
Sunday, Mar. 20, 11:00am-12:30pm
There can be literally thousands of organisms in one scoop of marsh mud! Collect mud and water, then identify the plankton and observe their interactions under microscopes. Ages 6+. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD. CLASS #36543

BIRD WALK:

Our Cup Runneth Over

(Ann Graham)
Saturday, Mar. 26, 9:30am-12:30pm
Go deep into the freshwater marsh on the lookout for the Yellow-rumped Warbler. These busy birds are here all winter catching flying insects like true acrobats and have kept us smiling because of it. Meet at the Interpretive Center and learn what it means to be

thankful for birds. Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #36553

Sunset Walk Along the Shore (Tony Iwane)

Sunday, Mar. 27, 6:00pm-7:30pm
Sunsets on the Hayward Shoreline are always spectacular. Grab some hot cocoa for a casual stroll to the bay to watch shorebirds and other animals finish their day. Who knows, maybe we'll spot an owl on our way back! Ages 18+. FEE: \$8 PER PERSON. CLASS #36550

Leopard Shark Feeding Frenzy (Staff)

Sunday, Mar. 27, 2:00pm-3:00pm
Help a naturalist feed our resident leopard shark, surfperch and gopher snakes. Learn more about them and our other wild inhabitants. Who will get to the food first? All Ages. FREE

APRIL

TODDLER RAMBLE:

Cause and Effect (Ann Graham)

Fridays, Apr. 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29
10:30am-11:15am and 2:30pm-3:15pm
Bring lab coats (imaginary or real) to become scientists who conduct experiments. What happens when we mix reagents, make fog bubbles, or throw a ball up? Ages 1 to 3. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD.

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CLASS# APR 8 - 10:30AM: #36479 | 2:30PM: #36480
CLASS# APR 15 - 10:30AM: #36481 | 2:30PM: #36482
CLASS# APR 22 - 10:30AM: #36483 | 2:30PM: #36484
CLASS# APR 29 - 10:30AM: #36485 | 2:30PM: #36486

NATURE DETECTIVES:

Ladybug Mania (Elena Frink)

Saturday, Apr. 2, 11:00am-12:00pm
Did you know there are 175 ladybug species in California? They come out of hibernation and feast at the shore. How many types can we find? Ages 3 to 5. FEE: \$7 PER CHILD. CLASS #36466



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Tidepooling Treasures

(Tony Iwane)

Sunday, Apr. 3, 3:30pm-5:00pm

As the tide ebbs away, we'll follow it and look for the many strange and wonderful animals left behind at Glass Beach! Meet at the trailhead 3050 W. Winton Avenue. Ages 6+.

FEE: \$7 PER PERSON. CLASS #36544

The Best of Nests

(Elena Frink)

Saturday, Apr. 9, 11:00am-12:30pm

The swallows have returned from their migration to nest at the shoreline. Make your own nest to learn about shoreline birds. Look for nests around the building and on the trail.

Ages 4+. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD. CLASS #36546

Reptile Reverie

(Tony Iwane)

Sunday, Apr. 10, 12:00pm-1:00pm

Cold-blooded, scaly, rampant beasts of prey! Learn about the adaptations that make these creatures unique and join us as we feed our resident reptiles. All ages.

FEE: \$5 PER CHILD.

CLASS #36545

VOLUNTEER:

Restoration Rangers

Sunday, Apr. 17, 1:00pm-4:00pm

See description from Mar. 13.

Wild Food Walking Tour

(Patti Workover)

Sunday, Apr. 24, 11:00am-1:00pm

Wetlands host a surprising number of edible plants. Walk through gated areas to taste, learn medicinal uses, and take home samples and recipes. Ages 18+.

FEE: \$8 PER PERSON. CLASS #36551

Leopard Shark

Feeding Frenzy

(Staff)

Saturday, Apr. 23, 2:00pm-3:00pm

See description from Mar. 27.

BIRD WALK:

A Feathered Tradition to Coyote Hills

(Ann Graham)

Saturday, Apr. 30, 9:30am-12:30pm

On this fun trek, we are in store for spotting many lovely birds. One we always hear, but rarely see is the elusive Sora. It lives among dense cattails and has a surprisingly loud alert call. Meet at the Coyote Hills parking lot by the Visitor Center. \$5 parking fee.

Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #36554

MAY

Food Web Untanglers

(Aaron Aguilar)

Sunday, May 1, 2:00pm-3:00pm

Hike the shoreline to find animals from all parts of the food web! Learn about intricate relationships that animals have with each other. All ages.

FEE: \$5 PER CHILD. CLASS #36547

TODDLER RAMBLE:

May Messiness

(Ann Graham)

Fridays, May 6, 13, 20, & 27

10:30am-11:15am and 2:30pm-3:15pm

Bring extra clothes to play in the mud the 1st and 4th weeks. Otherwise, our messy play will just dirty hands. Have sensory fun without all the clean up!

Ages 1 to 3. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD.

CLASS# MAY 6 - 10:30AM: #36469 | 2:30PM: #36470

CLASS# MAY 13 - 10:30AM: #36471 | 2:30PM: #36472

CLASS# MAY 20 - 10:30AM: #36473 | 2:30PM: #36474

CLASS# MAY 27 - 10:30AM: #36475 | 2:30PM: #36476

NATURE DETECTIVES:

Molting in May

(Elena Frink)

Saturday, May 7, 11:00am-12:00pm

Crabs are molting and growing in the safety of the shallow channels. Dipnet to find crabby friends, as well as snails, barnacles and others. Ages 3 to 5.

FEE: \$7 PER CHILD. CLASS #36467

The Smaller Side of Life

(Tony Iwane)

Sunday, May 8, 10:00am-11:00am

Invertebrates like butterflies, crabs,

spiders and snails provide the basis for most marsh life. Learn about these under-appreciated creatures.

Ages 6+. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD. CLASS #36548

BIRD WALK:

It Takes a Village

(Ann Graham)

Saturday, May 14, 9:30am-12:30pm

Black-necked stilts are semi-colonial nesters: all adults mob predators with loud calls and fake injuries. Meet at the Grant Ave trail head in San Lorenzo and we'll look for these mobsters.

Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #36555

VOLUNTEER:

Restoration Rangers

Sunday, May 15, 1:00pm-4:00pm

See description from Mar. 13.

Botany Bonanza

(Elena Frink)

Saturday, May 21, 2:00pm-3:30pm

Join us for games, songs and a hike to awaken enthusiasm about the amazing plant kingdom! Use your 5 senses to observe edible shoreline plants.

Ages 4+. FEE: \$7 PER CHILD. CLASS #36549

Family Fishing Fun

(Patti Workover)

Sunday, May 22, 12:30pm-3:30pm

See description from Mar. 19.

BIRD WALK:

Onomatopoeia

(Ann Graham)

Saturday, May 28, 9:30am-12:30pm

When killdeer vocalize, it sounds like they are saying, 'kill deer.' Often, we hear them before we see them. Meet at the first parking lot at the W. Winton trailhead and listen for these plovers

Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #36556

Leopard Shark

Feeding Frenzy

(Staff)

Sunday, May 29, 2:00pm-3:00pm

See description from Mar 27.