



HAYWARD AREA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT HAYWARD SHORELINE INTERPRETIVE CENTER



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Naturalist Programs for Fall 2016

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SEPTEMBER

TODDLER RAMBLE:

The Heat is On (Ann Graham)

Fridays, Sep. 2 - 30, 10:30am-11:15am
This month is often not just warm, but plain old hot. Therefore, each week we will find ways to help stay cool. Ages 1 to 3. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD.

Sep. 2, #39100 Sep. 9, #39101
Sep. 16, #39102 Sep. 23, #39103
Sep. 30, #39104

NATURE DETECTIVES:

Have to Have a Habitat

(Elena Frink)

Saturday, Sep. 3, 11:00am-12:00pm
Fridays, Sep. 2 - 30, 1:00pm-1:45pm
Which animals call the shoreline "home"? What do their homes look like and where are they? Detect different signs of animal homes at the shoreline and make our own model habitats. Ages 3 to 5. FEE: \$7 PER CHILD.

Sep. 2, #39141 Sep. 3, #39142
Sep. 9, #39143 Sep. 16, #39144
Sep. 23, #39145 Sep. 30, #39146

Spider Central (Tony Iwane)

Saturday, Sep. 3, 6:30pm-8:00pm
Observe several types of spiders outside as they spin webs, catch prey, and look for mates. You just might fall in love with these amazing arachnids. Bring a flashlight! Ages 6+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39115

Kids' History Tromp

(Elena Frink)

Saturday, Sep. 10, 10:00am-12:00pm
Walk through the historic salt ponds as if you were a salt harvester from the 19th century. Learn who was here and how the park was created. Take home a shoreline history booklet. Ages 6-12. FEE: \$7 PER CHILD. CLASS #39117

Plankton Exploration

(Aaron Aguilar)

Sunday, Sep. 11, 3:00pm-4:00pm
Plankton abound in the mudflat surrounding the center. Gather mud samples teeming with life, isolate the plankton, and use microscopes to enjoy viewing these infinitesimal denizens of the Bay! Ages 6 to 14. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD. CLASS #39118

VOLUNTEER:

Coastal Clean Up Day

Saturday, Sep. 17, 9:00am-12:00pm
This is a great way for families, students, and service groups to work together and care for our marine environment and show support for shared natural resources. Gloves and bags provided. All ages. Free!

Family Fishing Day

(Elena Frink)

Sunday, Sep. 18, 1:00pm-4:00pm
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 #39119

BIRD WALK:

Nothing Could Be Finer Than Birding In Carolina

(Ann Graham)

Saturday, Sep. 24, 9:30am-12:30pm
This time of year is perfect for birding: the weather and the returning winter birds. We won't need to trek to the Carolinas for a bit of "finer" today. Meet at Eden Landing Ecological Reserve. Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39091

Leopard Shark

Feeding Frenzy (Staff)

Sunday, Sep. 25, 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

OCTOBER

TODDLER RAMBLE:

Let's Get Ready to Ramble!

(Ann Graham)

Fridays, Oct. 7 - 28, 10:30am-11:15am
Let's get our bodies up and moving, so no sitting down (except for circle). Ages 1 to 3. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD.

Oct. 7, #39105 Oct. 14, #39106
Oct. 21, #39107 Oct. 28, #39108

NATURE DETECTIVES:

Marvelous Marsh

(Elena Frink)

Saturday, Oct. 1, 11:00am-12:00pm
Fridays, Oct. 7 - 28, 1:00pm-1:45pm
Get outside and explore the wonders of the marsh from small to large animals. What weird adaptations have they developed by living in a marsh habitat? Ages 3 to 5. FEE: \$7 PER CHILD.

Oct. 1, #39147 Oct. 7, #39148
Oct. 14, #39149 Oct. 21, #39150
Oct. 28, #39151

Reptile Revue (Aaron Aguilar)

Sunday, Oct. 2, 11:00am-12:00pm
Reptiles make their home in habitats around the bay from grasslands to mountains to wetlands. Learn about what makes reptiles unique, feed our reptiles and observe their behavior. All ages. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39121

BIRD WALK:

Brace Yourselves

(Ann Graham)

Saturday, Oct. 8, 9:30am-12:30pm
Meet at Grant Ave. where we hope to find well over 40 species. One of the smallest we are sure to check off our list is the Semi-palmated Plover, which as a group is known as a brace. Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39092



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VOLUNTEER: Hayward Shoreline BioBlitz

(Tony Iwane)
Sunday, Oct. 9, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Be a Citizen Scientist! Use your smartphone and the iNaturalist app to record as many species as we can! Then upload our observations and eat pizza. Smartphone recommended but not necessary. Ages 12+. Free.

Family Fishing Day

(Elena Frink)
Saturday, Oct. 15, 11:00am-2:00pm
See Sep. 18 description. CLASS #39120

Tidepool Exploration

(Tony Iwane)
Sunday, Oct. 16, 3:30pm-5:30pm
There's a low tide today, which is perfect for shoreline discoveries! Explore tidepools for crabs, isopods, amphipods and more. Kids and parents can explore the shore together. Ages 5+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39122

BIRD WALK: I'm Cuckoo For Podiceps

(Ann Graham)
Saturday, Oct. 22, 9:30am-12:30pm
Grebes belong to the podicep family. We hope to spot these charming divers as we hike into the marsh from the Interpretive Center. Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39093

The Art of Animal Tracking

(Patti Workover)
Sunday, Oct. 23, 12:00pm-2:00pm
Hike to find animal tracks, scat, feathers, and other signs to construct narratives. Play games and learn how to make a tracking mat. Ages 5 to 12. FEE: \$10 PER CHILD. CLASS #39123

Leopard Shark Feeding Frenzy

(Staff)
Saturday, Oct. 29, 2:00pm-3:00pm
See description from Sep. 25.

Aquatic Adventurers

(Aaron Aguilar)
Sunday, Oct. 30, 10:30am-11:30am
Explore the channel by the Interpretive Center in search for the wildlife that calls this ecosystem home. Help us feed our resident fishy friends, including our leopard shark! Ages 5 to 12. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD. CLASS #39124

NOVEMBER

TODDLER RAMBLE:

Fine and Dandy (Ann Graham)
Fridays, Nov. 4 & 18, 10:30am-11:15am
Last month we used our gross motor skills. Now focus on fine motor skills and use our fingers. Ages 1 to 3. FEE: \$5 PER CHILD. NOV. 4, #39109 NOV. 18, #39110

NATURE DETECTIVES: Energy in Everything!

(Elena Frink)
Saturday, Nov. 5, 11:00am-12:00pm
Fridays, Nov. 4 & 18, 1:00pm-1:45pm
Run off your energy this month through games and activities and learn more about how energy flows through the marsh in a dynamic food web. Ages 3 to 5. FEE: \$7 PER CHILD.
Nov. 4, #39152 Nov. 5, #39153
Nov. 18, #39154

Slimy Squids!

(Tony Iwane)
Sunday, Nov. 6, 11:00am-12:00pm
Learn all about amazing cephalopods like octopuses and squid. Dissect a squid to appreciate its adaptations, feed it to the fish in the Bay Tank, and make a craft. Ages 6 to 12. FEE: \$6 PER CHILD. CLASS #39125

BIRD WALK: Cargoyles in Fremont?

(Ann Graham)
Saturday, Nov. 12, 9:30am-12:30pm
Meet at the first parking lot for our fall trip to Coyote Hills. You don't have to go to Paris to find these gargoyles,

or should I say Double-crested Cormorants? These birds hold their wings outstretched to dry their feathers. Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39094

VOLUNTEER: Restoration Rangers

Sunday, Nov. 13, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Learn about the incredible flora and fauna of the shoreline and pull together to remove invasive plants from the marsh. Refreshments will be provided. Bring gloves or borrow some of ours. Ages 12+. Free.

Dipnetting

(Elena Frink)
Saturday, Nov. 19, 10:00am-11:00pm
Take a net to the channel to find a plethora of tidal snails, crabs, shrimp, barnacles and more. Meet and learn more about tidal critters. Ages 3 to 12. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39126

VOLUNTEER: Shoreline Trash Takers

(Patti Workover)
Sunday, Nov. 20, 12:30pm-2:00pm
Grab your work gloves and your goodwill! The marsh needs your help removing litter that has accumulated since our last clean-up. Trash bags and gloves provided. All ages. Free.

BIRD WALK: This Gives Stomping Grounds A Whole New Meaning

(Ann Graham)
Saturday, Nov. 26, 12:00pm-3:00pm
Meet at the Interpretive Center to seek out the over-looked Ring-billed Gull. It has a funny behavior where it stomps the ground in a dance-like move to lure prey to the surface. Ages 12+. FEE: \$5 PER PERSON. CLASS #39095

Leopard Shark Feeding Frenzy

(Staff)
Sunday, Nov. 27, 2:00pm-3:00pm
See description from Sep. 25.