



North Mountain Park Nature Center

PROGRAM CALENDAR Fall 2012

All programs will take place at **North Mountain Park Nature Center** unless otherwise indicated.

Classes may be canceled due to insufficient enrollment or other reasons. If this occurs, a full refund will be issued in two to three weeks.

Pre-registration is required for all programs 7 days in advance, unless otherwise indicated. Page numbers indicated below are referenced to the program descriptions in the Fall Recreation Guide—www.ashland.or.us/recguide.

Urban Composting

Sat, Sep 8, 10am—noon | Free | Recycle Center on Water St in Ashland (Park on Water St) | Rhianna Simes | Pg 13 | Pre-registration NOT required

How to Make Your Own Herbal Tinctures

Sat, Sep 8, 10am—1pm | Ages 14 & up | \$30 | Jon Carlson | Pg 13

Rogue Valley Geology in the Earth's History

Mon, Sep 10, 6:30—7:30pm | Ages 9 & up | Briscoe Geology Park (corner of Laurel & High Streets) | \$5 Len Eisenberg | Pg 26

Demonstration Garden Tours

Wed, Sep 12, 9:30—10:30am | Ages 10 & up | Free | Volunteer docent Susan Lander | Pg 13

Seasonal Care for the Home Garden

Thu, Sep 13, 7—9:30pm | Ages 16 & up | \$30 | Padme Blackwolf | Pg 14

Preschool Puppet Theatre (No October Show)

2nd Fri; Sep 14, Nov 9, Dec 14; 10:30—11:45am | Ages 3—5 | \$6/child Pamala Joy and the North Mountain Park Puppeteers | Pg 26

Saving Seeds from Flower & Vegetable Gardens

Sat, Sep 15, 10am—12pm | Ages 14 & up | \$10 | Jennifer Ewing | Pg 14

Edible & Medicinal Plant Walk

Sun, Sep 16, 10:30am—1pm | Ages 14 & up | \$25 | Jon Carlson | Pg 26

Catching Rain

Thu, Sep 20, 7—8:30pm | Ages 10 & up | \$7 | Lori Tella | Pg 14

Native Bee Housing Project

Sat, Sep 22, 10am—1pm | All ages welcome (under 12 require parent/helper) | \$20 | Sarah Red Laird | Pg 26

Reptiles & Amphibians

Sat, Sep 22, 3—4pm | Ages 3 & up (under 7 require parent/helper) | \$7 (adults free with a child) | John Jackson | Pg 27

Farm & Garden Tour

Sat, Sep 29, 10:30am—1:30pm | Family friendly (children must be accompanied by an adult) | Restoration Farm, 1133 Old Hwy 99 S, Ashland | \$15 | Pg 14

Preschool Nature Days

Mon & Wed, Oct 1—Nov 28, 9am—12pm | Ages 3—5 | \$25/day; \$40/wk Michele Pavilionis | Pg 27

Bear Creek Salmon Festival

Sat, Oct 6, 11am—4pm | Free | Pg 31

Buried History at Hargadine Cemetery

Sun, Oct 7, 2—3:30pm | Ages 10 & up | Hargadine Cemetery, 399 Sheridan, Ashland \$7 | Jan Wright | Pg 27

Care & Pruning of Wisteria

Thu, Oct 11, 7—9pm | Ages 16 & up | \$10 | Patrick Marcus | Pg 15

Green & Solar Tour

Sat, Oct 13, 9am—3pm | Ages 16 & up | Meet at the front of the Ashland Civic Center, 1175 E Main St | \$10 | Pg 15

Dancing Star Lantern Making Workshop

Sat, Oct 13, 2—4pm | All ages welcome (under 10 require parent/helper) | \$15 | Anneke Raphael | Pg 23

Honey... Nectar of the Gods

Thu, Oct 25, 6—8:30pm | All ages welcome (under 15 must be accompanied by an adult) | \$15 | Sarah Red Laird | Pg 27

Plants of the Rogue Valley for Homeschoolers Ages 5 to 8

Fri, Oct 26, 10am—12pm | \$7 | Nature Center staff & volunteers | Pg 28

Bird Photography Basics

Sat, Oct 27, 8am—1:30pm | Ages 13 & up | \$40 | Dan Elster | Pg 23

Bats

Sat, Oct 27, 3—4pm | Ages 3 & up (children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult) | \$7 (adults free with a child) | John Jackson | Pg 28

Plants of the Rogue Valley for Homeschoolers Ages 8 to 11

Tue, Oct 30, 10am—2pm | \$10 | Nature Center staff & volunteers | Pg 28

Larson/Bear Creek Restoration Work Party

Sat, Nov 3, 9am—12pm | Mouth of Larson Creek (call 541.488.6606 for directions) | Free | Pg 31 | Pre-registration NOT required

Climate Change & the Rogue Valley

Tue; Nov 13, 20; 7—9pm | Ages 12 & up | \$6/session | Alan Journet | Pg 28

Pressed Flower Creations

Wed, Nov 7, 6:30—8:30pm | Ages 10 & up | \$25 | Shelly Jillson | Pg 23

Project FeederWatch

Alternate Sat through March, 2013; Nov 10, 24; Dec 8, 22; 9—10am Ages 10 & up Free | Rogue Valley Audubon Society volunteers | Pg 29 Pre-registration NOT required

Winter Birds of Ashland & Jackson County

Lecture: Thu, Nov 15, 6:30—8:30pm; Field Trip: Sat, Nov 17, 8am—3pm Ages 13 & up | \$15 Harry Fuller | Pg 29

Pruning Japanese Maples for Balance Beauty & Comfort

Thu, Nov 29, 7—8:30pm | Ages 15 & up | \$10 | Julie Gates | Pg 15

Natural Holiday Wreaths

Fri or Sat, Nov 30 or Dec 1 (two classes offered), 1—3pm | Ages 9—99! | \$15 | Nature Center staff | Pg 23

Winter Birds of the Klamath Basin

Lecture: Thu, Dec 6, 6:30—8:30pm; Field Trip: Sat, Dec 8, 8am—5pm Ages 13 & up | \$15 | Harry Fuller | Pg 29

*Bear Creek Salmon Festival on Oct 6 at North Mountain Park
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For a complete description of the Ashland Parks & Recreation **Refund Policy** and **program descriptions**, visit www.ashland.or.us/recguide. Direct online registration is available at www.ashland.or.us/register — It's easy to do and helps to reduce costs.

VOLUNTEER PROFILE

Friend & Volunteer of the Nature Center



"I have to say that the VIP (Volunteer in Parks) program through the City of Ashland Parks & Recreation really makes it easy to become a part of our community." — Meg Fraser

Ashland Parks & Recreation friend and volunteer, Meg Fraser, has many interests that include gardening, geocaching and genealogy. She refers to these interests as the "Three G's," and two of them fit in nicely with her volunteer service for the Ashland Parks & Recreation Department. Meg has been volunteering for the past year at North Mountain Park where she is a Service Learning instructor, gardener, research assistant and outdoor Field Program instructor. When she's not at North Mountain Park she can be found strolling Lithia Park as a Park Host or attending a work party removing invasive species in a variety of Ashland's parks.

Meg recently moved to Ashland from Eugene to enjoy the arts and outdoor recreational opportunities that so many southern Oregonians take advantage of. She has also enjoyed time in Northern Michigan, Bend and the Oregon Coast. After a few months of living here she says it's really the people that keep her here, "Everyone has been so welcoming and friendly... Thanks to the variety of volunteer opportunities (with Ashland Parks & Recreation) I have a wonderful group of friends!"

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You may go to www.northmountainpark.org and click on Newsletters to view the current and archived publications, or send an email to patty.commonson@ashland.or.us to receive an electronic version, or call 541.488.6606 to receive one by 'snail' mail. You can also pick up a hardcopy at the Nature Center.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

The Nature Center Needs Your Help this Autumn...

- Instructors needed to teach and assist with fall field programs. *Plants of the Rogue Valley* will be presented to K—5th graders during September and October.
- Volunteers are needed for the Bear Creek Festival on Saturday, October 6. Morning and afternoon shifts are available, as well as shifts the day before the event.
- Help with posting flyers on Mondays to about five locations in Ashland.

If you would like to volunteer at the North Mountain Park Nature Center, please contact the Ashland Parks & Recreation Volunteer Coordinator, Lori Ainsworth...

Direct Line: 541.552.2264

Email: lori.ainsworth@ashland.or.us

VIP — Volunteer in Parks,
"It's the Natural Thing to Do!"



Bear Creek Salmon Festival

*Free Annual Event on Saturday, October 6 from 11am to 4pm
at North Mountain Park, 620 N Mountain Ave in Ashland - 541.488.6606*

Visit the website to learn about Watershed Exploration Month!

Fun Activities for All Ages • Salmon Friendly Exhibits • Live Entertainment
Fulcrum Dining Food Concession • Live Animal Exhibits

www.BearCreekSalmonFestival.net

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