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 below are referenced to the program descriptions in the Fall Recreation Guide—www.ashland.or.us/recguide

Plein Air Landscape Oil Painting

Sat, Sep 7, 10am—1:30pm | 12—Adult | \$17; includes art supplies Jeanine Moy | Pg 40

Demonstration Garden Tour

Wed, Sep 11, 9:30—10:30am | 10—Adult | Free; suggested donation to the Nature Center | Susan Lander & Liz Landreth | Pg 20

Preschool Puppet Theatre

2nd Fri each month (excluding Oct); Sep 13, Nov 8, Dec 13; 10:30—11:45am | Ages 3—5 | \$6/child | North Mountain Park Puppeteers Pg 30

Preserving the Bounty

Sat, Sep 14, 10am—1pm | 12—Adult | \$5 | Jackie Greer | Pg 20

Advanced Urban Composting

Sat, Sep 14, 10am—Noon | 13—Adult | Free | Meet at the Recycle Center in Ashland (park in street and not in center) | Rhianna Simes Pg 21 | Pre-registration is not required

Root Walk

Sun, Sep 15, 11am—1pm | 13—Adult | \$18 | Jon Carlson | Pg 30

Catching Rain

Thu, Sep 19, 7—8:30pm | 10—Adult | \$5 | Lori Tella | Pg 21

Growing Gourmet Mushrooms on a Budget

Sat, Sep 21, 10am—1pm | 15—Adult | \$20; optional \$10 paid to instructor for mushroom spawn | Mitra Sticklen | Pg 21

Gardening with Gourmet Mushrooms

Sat, Sep 28, 10am—1pm | 15—Adult | \$20; optional \$10 paid to instructor for mushroom spawn | Ashland Creek Park Community Garden, 27 E Hersey St | Mitra Sticklen | Pg 21

Making Your Own Elderberry Syrup

Sun, Sep 29, 10am—1pm | 21—Adult | \$25 | Jon Carlson | Pg 30

A Rogue Climate for the Valley

Tue; Oct 1, 8, 15; 7—9pm | 12—Adult | \$5/session or \$12.50 for entire series | Dr Alan Journet | Pg 30

Bear Creek Salmon Festival

Sat, Oct 5, 11am—4pm | Free —Details on other side

Exploring the World of Pacific Salmon

Sun, Oct 6, 8:30am—4:30pm | 12—Adult | \$10; does not include transportation from North Mountain Park to the Rogue River | Ian Reid Pg 31

Care & Pruning of Wisteria

Wed, Oct 9, 7—9pm | 16—Adult | \$14 | Patrick Marcus | Pg 22

Ashland Green & Solar Tour

Sat, Oct 12, 9am—3pm | 16—Adult | \$10 | Meet at the front of the Ashland Civic Center, 1175 E Main St | Pg 15

Winter Birding

Lectures: Thu, Oct 17 & 24, 6:30—8pm; Field Trip: Sat, Oct 19 & 26, 8am—3pm | 13—Adult | \$25 | Harry Fuller | Pg 31

Fall Medicine Making at North Mountain Park

Sun, Oct 20, 10am—1pm | 13—Adult | \$25 | Jon Carlson | Pg 32

Native Americans of the Rogue Valley for Homeschoolers Ages 5 to 8

Tue, Oct 22, 10am—Noon | 5—8 | \$7 | North Mountain Park staff & volunteers Pg 32

Native Americans of the Rogue Valley for Homeschoolers Ages 8 to 11

Fri, Oct 25, 10am—2pm | 8—11 | \$10 | North Mountain Park staff & volunteers Pg 32

A Passion for Japanese Maples

Wed, Oct 30, 7—9pm | 15—Adult | \$18 | Julie Gates | Pg 22

Recycled Rhythm

Sat, Nov 2, 1—4pm | 9—Adult | \$25; includes materials | Patty Aulik Pg 40

Project FeederWatch

Alternate Sat; Nov 9, 23 & Dec 7, 21 (continuing through March, 2014); 9—10am | 10—Adult | Free | Rogue Valley Audubon Society volunteers | Pg 33 | Pre-registration is not required

Christmas Bird Count

Lecture: Thu, Nov 14, 6:30—8pm; Field Trip: Sat, Nov 16, 8am—1pm 13—Adult | \$15 | Harry Fuller | Pg 33

Sassy Shakeres

Sat, Nov 16, 9am—1pm | 10—Adult | \$45; includes materials | Patty Aulik | Pg 40

Bear Creek Restoration Work Party

Sat, Nov 16, 10am—Noon | Park at the Ashland Dog Park, just off Nevada/Helman Streets, and walk down the Bear Creek Greenway past the Water Treatment plant to the project location near the confluence of Ashland Creek and Bear Creek | Pg 39

Natural Holiday Wreaths

Fri or Sat, Dec 6 or 7 (two classes offered), 1—3pm | 9—Adult | \$18 North Mountain Park staff | Pg 40

Photo of Bear Creek in North Mountain Park Courtesy Morgan C Cottle The North Mountain Park Nature Center is located at 620 N Mountain Avenue in Ashland For more information, call the Nature Center at 541.488.6606 or visit www.NorthMountainPark.org

VOLUNTEER PROFILE





Kelly Campbell began volunteering at North Mountain Park after moving to Ashland from Santa Barbara, California, in July 2012. In addition to pursuing a Master's in Environmental Education at SOU, Kelly finds time to create interpretive displays in the Discovery Room at the North Mountain Park Nature Center, a task that suits her desire for

creative, hands-on work. Kelly's other volunteer efforts include Rogue Valley Farm to School and the Art Center in Ashland. "I love designing materials that help people learn about the natural world. I also enjoy the staff at North Mountain Park. They're great to work with!" Kelly's other interests include swimming, surfing, rock climbing, backpacking, painting, yoga, and gardening.



WATERSHED EXPLORATION DAYS

Bear Creek Watershed Exploration Days will take place early September through mid November and offer a full calendar of events aimed at raising awareness about the Bear Creek Watershed. Activities range from salmon viewing to rain harvesting to river clean-up and tree planting events. Festivals, hikes, activities and classes take place at various locations across the county. Participating organizations include many local agencies and organizations who are actively engaged in watershed education and issues.

Volunteer community organizations, educators and other groups are encouraged to join in to learn about the importance of watersheds at the grassroots and community levels. All are welcome to come and explore the natural wonders of our watershed with fun tours, workshops and events. Most of the activities are free and open to the public, though several of the classes and tours require pre-registration.

Many of the participating organizations will also take part in the Bear Creek Salmon Festival. **NEW this year at the Festival**—Explore Bear Creek and beautiful North Mountain Park while attending outdoor mini workshops taught by local experts on the topics from composting to where to view spawning salmon in Bear Creek. To learn more visit www.BearCreekSalmonFestival.net/Watershed.html or call the North Mountain Park Nature Center at 541.488.6606.

GREEN LIVING TIPS

Regional Green & Solar Tours

Interested in seeing some great examples of solar energy use for hot water and other household needs? Or how about recapturing greywater from showers, laundry and bathroom sinks to water garden spaces? During October, National Energy Awareness Month two tours are offered locally, showcasing innovative green homes and buildings that utilize sustainable design and technologies and renewable resources. Learn exciting new ways to lower monthly utility bills and help reduce harmful impacts to the environment.



Rogue Valley Green & Solar Tour

Sat, Oct 5, 9am—4pm | Ages 4—6 | \$17; includes transportation and lunch | Meet at Wild Wines Winery, 4550 Little Applegate Rd in Jacksonville | Pg 15

Ashland Green & Solar Tour

Sat, Oct 12, 9am—3pm | Ages 16—Adult | \$10 | Meet at the front of Ashland Civic Center, 1175 E Main St | Pg 15

VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME

Volunteer Field Program Instructors Needed...

Join the fun this fall and teach local K—5th grade students about Native Americans of the Rogue Valley. All programs are hands-on, experiential learning opportunities. Instructors and assistants welcome. Training (and lunch!) provided on September 11, followed by practice teaching. Contact the Nature Center for more information and to sign up.

Volunteer for the Bear Creek Salmon Festival...

You can help with event set-up on Friday, October 4 or with many fun activities on Saturday, October 5. Please contact the Nature Center to sign up.

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