



North Mountain Park Nature Center

Program Calendar Summer 2015

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 Summer Recreation Guide—www.ashland.or.us/RecGuide



Rogue Valley Earth Day—Our Actions Matter

Sat, Apr 25, 11am—4pm | All ages welcome | Free | ScienceWorks, 1500 E Main St in Ashland | RogueValleyEarthDay.net

Preschool Puppet Theatre

2nd Fri of each month, May 8, Jun 12, Jul 10, Aug 14
10:30—11:45am | 3—5yrs | \$6/child | NMP Puppeteers | Pg 29

Rogue Valley Bird Day

Sat, May 9, 8am—noon | All ages welcome | Free Admission | Pg 38

Home Grown Food Year-Round

Wed, May 13, 7—9pm | 12—Adult | \$20 | Kimberly Brown | Pg 18

Planting for Pollinators

Sat, May 16, 10am—noon | 15—Adult | \$10 | Karen Taylor | Pg 18

Learn Espalier Pruning

Mon, May 18, 6—8pm | 12—Adult | \$18 | Valya Boutenko | Pg 18

Demonstration Garden Tours

3rd Wed of each month, May 20, Jun 17, Jul 15, Aug 19, Sep 16
9:30—10:30 am | 10—Adult | Free | Master Gardeners & volunteer docents | Pg 18

Learn to Fly Cast

Thu, May 21, Jun 11, Jul 16, 5:30—7pm | 10—Adult | \$25/class
Garden Way Park | Rachel Andras' | Pg 27

Needlefelted Owls

Sat, May 30, 10am—1pm | 8—Adult | \$35 (includes all materials)
Corbin Brashear | Pg 33

Little Gnomes

Mon, Jun 8, 10am—noon | 2—5yrs | \$5/child | Shannon Clery | Pg 29

Native Fish of Bear Creek

Tue & Thu, Jun 9 & 11, 7—8:30pm | 14—Adult | \$5/both evenings
Dan VanDyke | Pg 30

Critical Pollinators: Understanding & Protecting Native Bees

Fri, Jun 12, 1:30—3:30pm | 12—Adult | \$10 | Dr. Peter Schroeder
Pg 30

Painting a Garden Stepping Stone

Sat, Jun 13, 1—3pm | \$25 (includes all materials) | Kimberly Brown | Pg 33

Summer Saturday Morning Bird Walks

2nd Sat of each month, Jun 13, Jul 11 Aug 8, Sep 12, 8—9am
All ages welcome | Free | Local volunteer birders | Pg 30

Naturally Curious Summer Camp—Registration deadline is Jun 10!

Mon—Thu, Jun 15—18, 9am—3pm | 8—12yrs | \$90
NMP staff and volunteers | Pg 31

Tasting Honey Varietals

Tue, Jun 16, 7—8pm | 12—Adult | \$10 | Sharon Schmidt | Pg 31

Urban Composting—Pre-registration is not required

Sat; **Basic:** Jun 20 or Jul 18; **Advanced:** Aug 15 | 10am—noon
13—Adult | Free | Recycle Center at 220 Water St | Jim Flaherty | Pg 19

Bumble Bee Identification & Monitoring

Sat, Jun 20, 9am—noon | 10—Adult | \$15 | Shannon Davis | Pg 31

Summer Music Jam in the Park—Pre-registration is not required

Wed; Jun 24, Jul 15, Aug 5, 6:30—8pm | All ages welcome | Free | Pg 10

Nice & Easy Natural Spring Cleaning

Thu, Jun 25, 3—5pm | 13—Adult | \$12 | Libby VanWyhe | Pg 19

Up-Cycled Plastic Bag Workshop

Sat, Jun 27, 2—4pm | 10—Adult | \$15 | Andijane Silvey | Pg 19

The Lowdown on Lavender Workshop

Sat, Jul 18, 9am—noon | 16—Adult | \$30 | John Rinaldi Jr.
Lavender Fields Forever Jacksonville, OR | Pg 19

Water Wisdom 101: Habits & Hardware

Wed, Jul 22, 6:30—8:30pm | 10—Adult | Free | Julie Smitherman | Pg 20

Bountiful Harvest Methods & Planting a Winter Garden

Sat, Aug 8, 8:30—10am | 12—Adult | \$15 | Jennifer Ewing
Ashland Creek Park | Pg 20

Worm (Vermi) Composting

Sat, Aug 8, 10:30am—noon | 10—Adult | \$15 | Jennifer Ewing | Pg 20

Lawn Gone!

Wed, Aug 12, 7—9pm | 12—Adult | \$20 | Kimberly Brown | Pg 20

Little Gnomes Nature Camp—Registration deadline is Aug 21!

Mon—Thu, Aug 24—27, 9am—1pm | 3—6yrs | \$135/child
Shannon Clery | Pg 31



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

Friend & Volunteer of the Nature Center

Cynthia Taylor



"I often walk and meditate in the park when I'm not volunteering. I couldn't seem to get enough of watching the salmon in Bear Creek this past fall either. I am so awed and inspired by the dedication of the long-term volunteers. I hope to become one of them!"

Cynthia Taylor has been volunteering at North Mountain Park for a year now and offered her creative and administrative support with the Salmon Spiral and interpretive cards. She has taught through two seasons of School Programs and students delight in her gentle but enthusiastic teaching style. Most recently, Cynthia has become a valued animal-actor for the Preschool Puppet Show.

Cynthia is a renaissance woman who enjoys singing, yoga, tai chi, hiking, birding, rafting, studying survival skills and drumming on her own hand-made hoop drum!

Oregon abounds with all the things she loves to do: theatre, film festivals, music and art. As a lover of the outdoors, she delights in the endless recreation opportunities in Southern Oregon.

Ashland is a-Buzz!

On December 16, 2014, Ashland, Oregon, took its place as the fifth Bee City USA community with a unanimous vote of the City Council. The City plans to honor its Bee City designation through community education, celebrations and the stewardship of native, pesticide-free, pollinator-friendly plants.

For information about getting involved with pollinator education and habitat development in Ashland, contact Parks and Recreation's Bee City USA liaison, Libby VanWyhe at libby.vanwyhe@ashland.or.us.

Check out the bee-themed classes available this season—look for the little bee in our Recreation Guide!

- **Planting for Pollinators**—May 16
- **Critical Pollinators**—June 12
- **Tasting Honey Varietals**—June 16
- **Bumble Bee Identification & Monitoring**—June 20



Volunteer—Garden, Get Grubby & Learn!



If you enjoy working outdoors, the beautiful Nature Center gardens could use your special touch. Volunteer gardeners work together every Wednesday morning from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the Nature Center at 541.488.6606.

Summer Camps at North Mountain Park



Naturally Curious

June 15—18

9am—3pm

Little Gnomes

August 24—27

9am—1pm

Restore Habitat,

Restore Birds **INTERNATIONAL MIGRATORY BIRD DAY 2015**

Rogue Valley Bird Day

Sat, May 9, 8am to noon
 All ages welcome; FREE event

Guided Bird Walks
 8:15, 9 & 9:45am

Contests...
 Bird-Calling at 10:30am
 Name that Bird

For more information visit www.RogueValleyBirdDay.net
 or call North Mountain Park at 541.488.6606, 620 N Mountain Ave, Ashland

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