

North Mountain Park Nature Center

Program Calendar Winter Spring 2016

All Programs will take place at **North Mountain Park Nature Center** unless otherwise indicated. Classes may be cancelled 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*

Preschool Puppet Theater

2nd Fridays, Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 12, Mar 11, Apr 8, May 13 10:30-11:45am|3—5yrs|\$6/child| Anna Edmondson| Pg 29

Project FeederWatch

Alt Sat, Dec 12,26|Jan 9,23|Feb 6,20|Mar 5,19 9—10am|10&Up|Free|RV Audubon Society Volunteers| Pg 29

Little Gnomes

2nd Mondays, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 14, Apr 11, May 9 10am—12pm|2—5yrs|\$6/child| Shannon Clery| Pg 29

Salmon Spiral Solstice Mon, Dec 21|3—4:30pm|All Ages Welcome| Free Pre-registration is not required | NMP Staff| Pg 30

Monarchs & Milkweeds Sat, Jan 9|1—3pm|All Ages Welcome|\$10|Tom Landis| Pg 18

Winter Bird Walk Sat. Jan 16|8:30—10am|All Ages | Free | Vince Zauskey| Pg 30

Recycled Paper Beads Sat, Jan 23|1—5pm|10—Up|\$40|Anna Edmondson| Pg 43

Seed Swap Wed, Feb 3|7—8pm|All Ages Welcome | Free Pre-Registration is not required | Pg 18

Herbal Explorers: Rooted in Winter

Sat, Feb 6|10am—12pm|Ages 4—10+ guardian \$5child, \$7parent, \$2 supply fee paid to instructors Erin Krenzer & Lauren Kemple Call 541-488-6606 to register| Pg 19

Lawn Gone! Tue, Feb 9|6—8pm|12&Up|\$20|Kimberly Brown| Pg 19

Learning Bird Songs Wed, Feb 17|6:30—8pm| All Ages|\$15|Shannon Rio| Pg 30

The Joy of Berries Tues, Feb 23|6:30—8pm|12&Up|\$15|Joel Heller| Pg 31

Petroleum-History, Current Status & Our Energy Future Wed, Feb 24|6:30—8pm|All Ages|\$5|Len Eisenberg| Pg 20

Introduction to Bird & Wildlife Photography for Teens Sat, Mar 5&12|9am—12pm|7—12th Grade|\$125 Daniel Elster| Pg 43

Medicinal & Edible Plant Walks Sun, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1|3—4pm|12&Up|\$8 Erin Krenzer/Lauren Kemple| Pg 20 Learn to Espalier a Fruit Tree Tues, Mar 8|6:30—8:30|12&Up|\$15| Valya Boutenko| Pg 18

Dormant Fruit Tree Pruning Sat, Mar 12|10am—1pm|10&Up|\$10| Casey Roland Glenwood Park| Pg 20

Ashland's First Residents Wed, Mar 16|7—9pm|14&Up|\$10| Jeff LaLande| Pg 31

Sat, Mar19|10am—12pm|12&Up|\$20| Jennifer Ewing| Pg 21

Building & Using Raised Beds Sat, Mar 19|1—2:30pm|12&Up|\$12| Jennifer Ewing| Pg 21

Baby Birds Wed, Mar 30|6:30—8pm|6&Up|\$15| Shannon Rio| Pg 31

Exploring Ashland Parks' Trails Tues, Apr 5/7—8:30pm/10&Up/\$5/ Jeff McFarland/ Pg 31

Herbal Explorers: Sprouted in Spring

Sat, Apr 9|10am—12pm|Ages 4—10+ guardian \$5child, \$7parent, \$2 supply fee paid to instructors Erin Krenzer & Lauren Kemple Call 541-488-6606 to register| Pg 19

Biking the Greenway to Taste Wild Edibles Tue, Apr 12|4:30—6pm|10&Up|\$7 Meet at Ashland Dog Park| Linda Chesney| Pg 32

Tree Walk for Beginners Fri, Apr 15|12—1pm|All Ages Welcome|\$5 Pete Baughman| Pg 32

Recycling: Where Does It Go & Why? Wed, Apr 20|6:30—8pm|13&Up|Free| Risa Buck| Pg 21

Spring Wildflower Walk in Oredson-Todd Woods Tue, Apr 26/5—6:30pm/12&Up/\$7| Marcia Wineteer Meet at Oredson-Todd Trailhead off Green Meadows| Pg 32

Spring Birding at North Mountain Park Presentation-Wed, Apr 27|6:30—8pm Field Trip-Sat, Apr 30|8:30—10am|8&Up|\$20 Shannon Rio| Pg 33

Homeschoolers Explore Animals of the Rogue Valley Thurs, Apr 28| 9:30am—12pm| 5-8yrs|\$8/child, parents welcome| Nature Center volunteers & staff| Pg 33

Rogue Valley Bird Day Sat, May 14|8am—12pm|All Ages Welcome| Free Pre-registration is NOT required| Pg 35

For a complete description of the Ashland Parks & Recreation Commission **REFUND POLICY** and **PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS** and **REGISTRATION** visit **www.ashland.or.us/RecGuide**

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**

Our Amazing Heirloom Garden Volunteers! Ashland Garden Club



Over 15 years ago, a committee of the Ashland Garden Club created the Heirloom Garden in front of North Mountain Park Nature Center. The Committee still maintains this beautiful and historic garden and continues to research heirloom plants to better represent the early pioneers who settled in this area.

If you'd like to learn more about joining this dedicated, energetic group of volunteers, please stop by on the third Tuesday morning of the month, when they work in the garden, or contact Viki at vikia@ashlandhome.net.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Share the wonders of WILDLIFE with kids this spring! We need volunteers of all ages and abilities to teach small groups of K—5 students. Contact us to sign up for the Training in April 2016.

A variety of student projects, Capstone projects and internships are available!

Spring Work Party

Volunteer as a gardener at North Mountain Park on Wednesday, March 23, from 10am—12pm



UPCOMING EVENTS

Rogue Valley Bird Day

Saturday, May 14, 8am—12pm Help us celebrate with Wildlife Images



exhibits, guided bird walks, and a Bird-calling contest for all ages! Rogue Valley Bird Day is an annual admission free event . Go to **RogueValleyBirdDay.net** or call us for information.



Project FeederWatch

Help count birds that visit the feeders at North Mountain Park while learning to identify species with expert birders!

All birders, new and experienced, are invited to get acquainted with local birds and mingle with other birders. The information collected will be submitted to Cornell University's FeederWatch Project, a nationwide citizen science bird-monitoring effort.

Ages 10—Adult are invited to North Mountain Park at 9am—10am on alternate Saturdays beginning November 14, through March 2016. Call us for more information.

Annual Seed Swap

Wednesday, February 3, 2016 from 7pm—8pm. FREE and FUN! Call for more information.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Once a year, we invite you to show your support for the North Mountain Park Nature Center by making a tax deductible contribution. Please make checks payable to the Ashland Parks Foundation and mail to North Mountain Park Nature Center, 620 N Mountain Ave, Ashland, OR 97520—Thank you!

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