

CRAB COVE

NATURALIST PROGRAMS

All programs are held at this Visitor Center unless otherwise noted.

Crab Cove Visitor Center and Aquarium Hours:

Wednesday-Friday 12-4pm, Saturday & Sunday 10am-4pm

BAY BIRDS FOR FAMILIES &

Saturday, October 2, 11am-noon

Sharol Nelson-Embry

Supervising Naturalist

Come for a morning of fun for all ages! Explore along the shoreline, play games, learn to use binoculars, and get a close-up view of magnificent shorebirds visiting for the winter.

For information, call: 510-544-3187.

CATCH OF THE DAY &

Saturdays & Sundays in October 2-3pm

Interpretive Staff

Drop by for fun activities to help you learn about the Bay, its wildlife, and local history. The aquariums, beach, and pond await you, with a new topic each week.

For information, call: 510-544-3187.

FISH FEEDING TIME &

Saturday, October 2, 9, 16, 23

Sunday, October 17, 24, & 31, 3-3:30pm,

Interpretive Staff

“Dive” into the Bay and learn about its wildlife! Get close to crabs, flounder, perch, and pipefish - just to name a few of our amazing animals - while they eat.

For information, call: 510-544-3187.

SIBLEY RAPTOR WATCH &

Sibley Volcanic Regional Preserve – Sibley

Saturday, October 9, 9:30am-noon

Michael Charnofsky, Naturalist

How many raptors and other species will we encounter on this 2.25 mile loop with open views, rocky outcrops, and varying habitats? Keep your eyes skyward for golden eagles.

10+ years.

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BIGGEST TREES IN THE WORLD? &

Roberts Regional Recreation Area -

Main Parking Lot

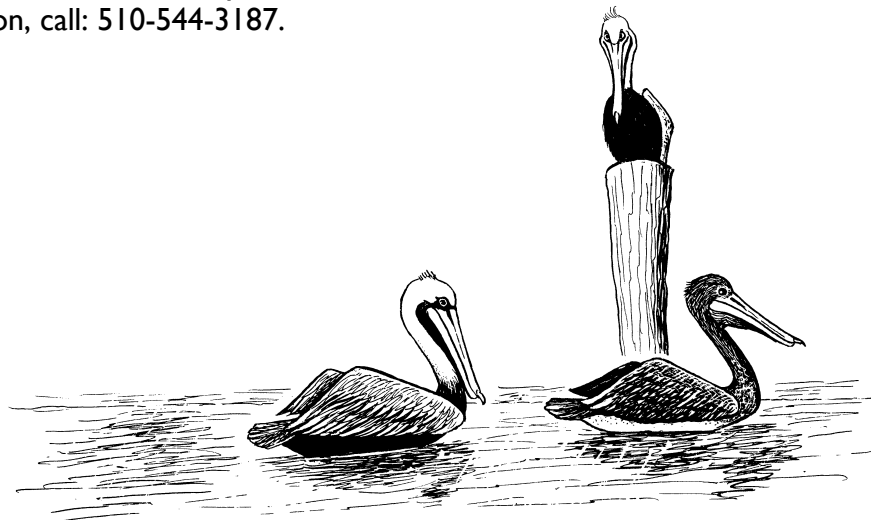
Saturday, October 16, 10am-noon

Michael Charnofsky, Naturalist

Did 30-foot diameter redwood trees really exist until the 1850's in the Oakland hills? Let's explore the park and the evidence left behind to solve this intriguing riddle.

10+ years.

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SUNDAY STROLLS

Various Parks
10am-Noon

Sara Fetterly, Naturalist

Wake up and walk into nature. Each week we will explore a different park and the natural wonders within. Hikes range from two to five miles. Great for families. Dogs welcome on most hikes. See www.ebparks.org/parks for maps and directions.

For information, call: 510-544-3187.

October 17: Sibley/ Huckleberry (Sibley Park's Skyline trailhead) Bay Area Ridge Trail/ Huckleberry path/ Bay Area Ridge Trail. Hike two parks in one day as we journey from Sibley to Huckleberry and back, 4.5 miles. ***Note:** This hike lasts until 1pm, bring snacks and water.

October 24: Lake Chabot (Meet at Marina) Learn how stallions, sea lions, and monkeys all fit in the grand history of Lake Chabot as we stroll to the dam and back along the scenic West Shore Trail. Easy 3.6 miles. Parking fee.

October 31: MLK Shoreline (Arrowhead Marsh Staging Area) Explore the habitats of the Bay as we walk from big marsh to little marsh with a stop at some special sanctuaries in between. This is an easy 2.5 mile stroll. Dogs on leash.

PLANT WALK FOR BEGINNERS

Huckleberry Botanic Regional Preserve
Saturday, October 23, 10am-noon
Michael Charnofsky, Naturalist

Like plants? Huckleberry is a botanist's dream park, beautiful and surprisingly diverse. On this 1.7 mile moderate walk we will look both closely and broadly, and use our taste buds.

10+ years.

For information, call: 510-544-3187.

CRAB COVE WEEKDAY FUN

Join us for programs designed for your children and you. We'll play games, explore nature, sing songs, and do a craft related to the theme of the day!

**Reg. Required: 1-888-EBPARKS
(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3).**

SEA SQUIRTS

Tuesday, October 12, 26, 10-11:30am
Share a morning of shoreline fun with your pre-school age child. Snack included.
3-5 years.

October 12: Otters #25089

October 26: Nocturnal Animals #25090

Fee: \$6 (\$8 non-res.)

ESTUARY EXPLORERS

Tuesday, October 12, 26, 3:30-5pm
School-age kids like exploring nature, playing outdoors, and learning more independently - no parents required. Join us for this afternoon program! Snack included.
6-8 years.

October 12: Otters #25105

October 26: Nocturnal Animals #25106

Fee: \$6 (\$8 non-res.)

NATIVE PLANT GARDENING Course #25118

Saturday, October 30, 10am-1pm
Michael Charnofsky, Naturalist

Spend an afternoon pruning, 'preening' and planting around the Visitor Center, helping to convert our landscape into a Bay and wildlife friendly garden filled with California native plants. Snacks and refreshments served, tools provided. Community service hours provided for students.

10+ yrs.

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BIRTHDAY PARTIES!



Come celebrate your child's birthday at Crab Cove Visitor Center! We offer two themes to choose from:

Bay Critters or Reptiles.

Your nature-themed party will include:

- Guided Outdoor Activities
- Program in our Old Wharf Classroom
- Nature Craft to make and take home
- Party Favor Bags

For kids ages 3-12 years.

Fee: \$75 for up to 10 children; \$5.00 per additional child up to 15 children maximum. Offered on selected weekends only. For information, call: 510-544-3187.

CALLING ALL TEACHERS !

The interpretive staff offers unique, hands-on field programs to help you achieve the California State Content Standards. For more information please call or e-mail the visitor center and request our school program flyer and program application form along with our Program-State Science Standards correlation sheet. Or, visit us on the web to submit an application online.

See: www.ebparks.org/activities/educators

Application deadline for WINTER/SPRING programs is Monday, December 6, 2010 by 5pm.

If you missed our autumn program deadline, call to inquire about self-guided field trip options: 510-544-3187.

Ⓟ = Parking Fee Applies

♿ = Wheelchair accessible

(non-res.) Residents outside of Alameda and Contra Costa counties

Kids = Kids Challenge-register online

The Center's gift shop has books, t-shirts, and other nature-related items for sale.

Accommodations will be made for visitors with disabilities with advance notice.

For assistance, please call (510) 544-3187 or e-mail ccove@ebparks.org.

Register online for some classes: www.ebparksonline.org.

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Adventures by the Bay since 1980

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