

## NATURALIST PROGRAMS

All programs are held at this Visitor Center unless otherwise noted.  
Coyote Hills Visitor Center is open Wednesday-Sunday from 10am-4pm

### BIRD GAWK ①

Garin/Dry Creek Regional Park  
8-11am, Saturday, March 6  
Kristina Parkison, Naturalist

The Bay Area bursts with bird life! New and experienced birders alike join us as we discover patterns of behavior, migration, and habitat. Meet at Garin Barn Visitor Center. 8+yrs  
For information: (510) 544-3220

### NATURE BYTES

#### ANIMAL TRACKING ① ②

1-2pm, Saturday, March 6, Course #23543  
Kristina Parkison, Naturalist

Get to know the natural world around you! Stories, games, and hands-on activities suitable for all ages communicate fun facts! Each class covers a different topic, so be sure to drop in and check us out!

For information: (510) 544-3220



### WATER WORLD OF AMPHIBIANS & INSECTS ①

Garin/Dry Creek Regional Park  
Garin Barn Visitor Center  
9:30am-noon, Sunday, March 7, Course #23646  
Dino Labiste, Naturalist

What do newts, mayflies, frogs, dragonflies and salamanders have in common? Water! Come and explore the watery environment of aquatic insects and amphibians. Get your feet wet as we search the stream to look for different metamorphic stages of these fascinating critters.

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

### ARCHAEOLOGICAL VILLAGE SITE:

#### OHLONE ① ②

1:30-4pm, Sunday, March 7, Course #23545  
Dino Labiste, Naturalist

Learn about Ohlone culture as we tour a model of village life at the Visitor Center. Walk to a 2,000-year-old Ohlone village site, see replicated structures and examine reproductions of artifacts. Along the trail, we'll identify plants that provided food, medicine and tools.

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(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3)

### TO DYE FOR

11am-2pm

Saturday, March 13, Course #23547  
Kristina Parkison, Naturalist

Pure Peruvian wool takes on fantastic colors as we practice the secrets of using natural dyes! While creating your unique skein, learn to knit with your own hand-made knitting needles! You'll take home a beautiful, natural-dyed skein and the skills to make a scarf.

14+yrs

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

Fee: \$15 (non-res. \$17);

Seniors: \$15 (non-res Seniors \$17)

### COYOTE HILLS FLINTKNAPPERS:

#### BEGINNERS ① ②

10am-3pm

Sunday, March 14, Course #23556  
Dino Labiste, Naturalist

Unearth the art of turning an obsidian flake into a functional Paleolithic cutting tool.

Learn about prehistoric equipment, such as hammer stones, and use modern materials, like copper pressure flakers. Practice beginning skills to create a Stone Age microblade or shape an arrowhead. 18+yrs

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

## COYOTE CUBS ♀ ♂ REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS

10-11:30am

Tuesday, March 16, Course #23719

Kristina Parkison, Naturalist

Encourage your child's "wild" side and join the fun! We use games, stories and crafts to learn about the natural world around us. These programs change monthly and are designed for your active pre-schooler. 3-5yrs

Reg. Required: 1-888-EBPARKS

(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3)

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

## WONDEROUS WHEAT WEAVING ♀ ♂

12:30-4pm

Saturday, March 20 Course #23557

Kristina Parkison, Naturalist

Jan Southworth

If you know how to weave a wheat love token you are ready for our advanced class. Learn more complicated designs and sophisticated techniques to create works of art for your home and to help keep this ancient craft alive! 10+yrs

Reg. Required: 1-888-EBPARKS

(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3)

Fee: \$15 (non-res. \$17);

Seniors: \$15 (non-res Seniors \$17)

## EDIBLE AND USEFUL PLANTS HIKE ♀

Garin/Dry Creek Regional Park

Garin Barn Visitor Center

9am-12:30pm

Sunday, March 21, Course #23669

Dino Labiste, Naturalist

The Ohlone Peoples and European settlers gathered wild plants for food, medicine and tools. Identify edible plants on a sprintime hike. Gather Miner's lettuce for a tasty salad, process Manzanita cider, munch on acorn cookies, snack on dried Huckleberries and sample other savory wild foods. 12+yrs

Reg. Required: 1-888-EBPARKS

(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3)

## GOSSIP ROCK HIKE ♀

Garin/Dry Creek Regional Park

Tamarack Drive Entrance

1:30-4:30pm

Sunday, March 21, Course #23686

Dino Labiste, Naturalist

Enjoy an energetic uphill 5.5-mile loop hike that takes in a panoramic view of Mission Peak and the Bay Area. We'll explore any early bloomers along the trail. Learn about bedrock mortars and the Ohlone Peoples relationship to wildflowers, grasses and land management. 16+yrs

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## FANTASTIC FLOWER PHOTOGRAPHY ♀

9-10:30am, Saturday, March 27, Course #23558

Kristina Parkison, Naturalist

Volunteer staff photographer, Don Jedlovec, leads this digital photography workshop in the Butterfly Garden. Learn the tips and tricks needed to get professional images of floral jewels. 12+yrs

Reg. Required: 1-888-EBPARKS

(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3)

## JUNIOR NATURALISTS ♀ ♂ NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE AND GAMES

1-3pm, Saturday, March 27 Course #23566

Kristina Parkison, Naturalist

Encourage your child's natural curiosity – let them become a Junior Naturalist! This engaging class capitalizes on all the things kids love – getting dirty and having fun while they learn!

7-12yrs

Reg. Required: 1-888-EBPARKS

(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3)

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



calendar of events

# COYOTE HILLS

## SKILLS OF THE PAST: CORDAGE MAKING ⓘ ⓘ

9:30am-noon

Sunday, March 28, Course #23568

Dino Labiste, Naturalist

The ability to twist, twine or braid fibers into cordage allowed indigenous cultures to tie their world together. Learn the various techniques of gathering, preparation, extracting and plying of plant materials to create cordage. Practice the efficient method of leg rolling dogbane fibers. 9+yrs  
Reg. Required: 1-888-EBPARKS  
(1-888-327-2757, option 2, 3)

## SKILLS OF THE PAST FIRE MAKING ⓘ ⓘ

1:30-3:30pm

Sunday, March 28, Course #23569

Dino Labiste, Naturalist

Ever wondered how fire was created before matches or a lighter? What materials were used? Unravel the secrets of fire-by-friction, fire-by-percussion and fire-by-compression. Discover the techniques required to produce a glowing ember as we practice our fire making skills through hands-on activities. 12+yrs  
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### 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. Application deadline for summer programs is May 3, 2010.

If you missed our winter/spring program deadline, call to inquire about a self-guided field trip option: (510) 544-3220.

Parents/Guardians: please share this information with your child's teacher.

- Ⓟ Parking Fee may apply
- ⓘ Wheelchair accessible
- (non-res.) Residents outside of Alameda and Contra Costa counties

## Birthday Party



Come celebrate your child's birthday at Coyote Hills Visitor Center! We offer two themes to choose from: **Butterflies & Garden Critters or Reptiles.**

Your nature-themed party will include:

- \* Classroom Indoor Activity
- \* Nature Game and/or Guided Outdoor Exploration
- \* Craft to make and take home
- \* Party Favor Bags

For kids ages 3-12 years.

Fee: \$75 for up to 10 children, then \$5.00 per additional child up to 15 children maximum. Offered on selected weekends only.

For more info and reservations call (510) 544-3220



Accommodation will be made for visitors with disabilities with advance notice. For assistance please call (510) 544-3220 or e-mail [chvisit@ebparks.org](mailto:chvisit@ebparks.org). Register online for some classes: [www.ebparks.org](http://www.ebparks.org).

### COYOTE HILLS REGIONAL PARK

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