Black Diamond Mining History Tour
Every Saturday & Sunday
10:00am – 11:30am
Beneath these hills is a history of industry, innovation, and perseverance. Join us as we explore both eras of mining that occurred here in the 19th and 20th centuries. Participants will tour both the Coal Mine Experience and the Hazel Atlas Mine. Age 7+. $8 each per tour. Registration Required (#50621)

Hazel-Atlas Mine Tour
Every Saturday & Sunday
1:00pm – 2:00pm
Hard as rock, fragile as glass. In the early 20th century, the Hazel-Atlas Mine was a critical link in the process to create glass. Discover the stories of the miners who removed the rock that once was an ancient sea bed and is now part of your everyday life. Age 7+. $5 each per tour. Registration Required (#50638)

Coal Mine Experience
Every Saturday & Sunday
3:00pm – 3:30pm
In the late 19th century, people from around the world arrived here in search of a new life and new opportunities. Deep beneath the surface was a rock that would power the young state of California. Discover the toils, triumphs, and tragedies embedded in these hills as we explore a replica coal mine. Age 7+. $3 each per tour. Registration Required (#50788)

Games in the Mine!
Sunday, January 7, 2024
1:00pm – 2:30pm
Join us underground to play some games! We will learn about and try some games that would have been popular among kids of the nearby mining communities in the late 1800s. All ages welcome. Meet inside the Greathouse Visitor Center, a short ¼ mile walk from the upper parking lot.
NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Mini Miners
Tuesday, January 9, 2024
10:00am – 11:00am
Tuesday, February 13, 2024
10:00am – 11:00am
Bring your little gems out to Black Diamond Mines for a morning of learning, playing, and enjoying the great outdoors. Each month will be a different theme where children ages 2-5 will discover the joys of nature. Siblings welcome!
NO Registration – Drop-In Only.

Looking Under the Lens
Sunday, January 14, 2024
10:30am – 12:00pm
Join us to discover the wonders of our natural world through observation of specimens under microscopes and magnifying lenses. All ages welcome. Meet inside the Greathouse Visitor Center, a short ¼ mile walk from the upper parking lot.
NO Registration – Drop-In Only.
Winter Nature Craft
January 20, 2024
February 17, 2024
9:30am – 11:00am
Gather inspiration from nature for this craft activity. What can you discover when you use your artistic side to explore the surrounding landscape? Rain may cancel.
NO Registration – Drop-In Only.

Winter Cemetery Stroll
Saturday, January 27, 2024
Saturday, February 24, 2024
1:00pm – 2:00pm
Start at the upper parking lot and follow the guiding info panels to the Rose Hill Cemetery. At 1pm you will meet costumed staff at the entrance to the cemetery to regale you with stories of many a miner, their mate, and tales of tragic fate. Wear sturdy shoes, and bring a water bottle. Rain may cancel. Age 5+.
NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Will you be “Mine”? 
Saturday, February 3, 2024
9:30am – 11:00am
Be prepared for Valentine’s Day this month by stopping by the upper parking lot to create a card for someone special. We’ll get inspiration from our love of nature and the mines! Rain will cancel.
NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Chinese Miners Table
Saturday, February 10, 2024
9:30am – 11:00am
When coal was discovered here in the mid-1800s, people from around the world moved to Antioch to work in the mines. Many of these miners were from China and helped build the infrastructure that allowed for development of California. Come learn about these many contributions while we uncover stories of great resilience. Rain may cancel.
NO Registration – Drop-In Only
New Year Reflections
Contra Loma
Fredrickson Staging Area
Monday, January 1, 2024
10:30am – 12:30pm
We’ll reflect on the many changes the surrounding landscape has undergone over time while getting an active start to the new year. Ages 5+. NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Bird Scavenger Hunt
Contra Loma
Boat Launch Area
Saturday, January 6, 2024
10:00am – 12:00pm
Let’s take a leisurely stroll around beautiful Contra Loma looking for some birds. We’ll provide a sheet of common birds found in the area and hopefully add some that are not so common! Ages 7+. NO Registration – Drop-In Only

What are King Tides?
Radke Martinez Shoreline
Parking Lot off N. Court St.
Sunday, January 7, 2024
9:00am – 11:00am
Sunday, January 14, 2024
2:00pm – 4:00pm
Come experience one of the highest tides of the year and a glimpse into the future. Discover what causes king tides and explore the tidal zone on this walk and talk. The terrain is flat, but not all paved. Please dress for the weather, wear boots or other shoes that can get wet, and expect to get a little wet. Ages 5+. NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Here for the Winter: Birds of the Season
Radke Martinez Shoreline
Parking Lot off N. Court St.
Saturday, January 13, 2024
9:30am – 11:00am
During the winter, the shoreline hosts many birds that we don’t see during the summer. Join us on this gentle stroll along the water to learn about migration and bird life during the cold season. Rain may cancel. Ages 7+. NO Registration – Drop-In Only

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Winter Waterbirds
Radke Martinez Shoreline
Parking Lot off N. Court St.
Sunday, January 28, 2024
10:00am – 11:30am

Winter has arrived! Come learn about our flying, feathered friends as they stop to overwinter on the shorelines of the East Bay. On this leisurely 1-1.5 mile stroll on flat, partially paved path we will observe bird behavior and adaptations. Great for beginners! Ages 7+.
Bring binoculars if you have them; we will have a few extras available for use.
NO Registration – Drop-In Only

Celebrating Black History Walk
Thurgood Marshall Regional Park
South of Bailey Road
Sunday, February 4, 2024
Sunday, February 11, 2024
Sunday, February 18, 2024
Sunday, February 25, 2024
10:00am – 1:00pm

In honor of Black History Month, join us for a public tour to explore the southern end of the new Thurgood Marshall Regional Park: Home of the Port Chicago 50. As we walk, learn about the history of this land, stories of resistance and bravery, and the events occurred here that played a vital role in the desegregation of the armed forces.
Come ready for a mostly paved 1-1.5-mile walk. Ages 10+.
Registration Required (#50613, #50614, #50616, #50617)