

Crab Cove

Visitor Center & Aquarium



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Every
Wed, Sat
& Sun
3-3:30pm

Fish Feeding Time

Visit our aquariums to see who lives here! Observe crabs, fish and other critters while they eat! What's on the menu? Let's find out!

No registration; drop-in.

Every
Fri
10:30-
11am

Storytime

Come meet story characters like the Lorax, hermit crabs, and "Swimmy the Fish," then meet a real animal, do a craft or scavenger hunt!

No registration; drop-in.

Various
Tues,
10:30-
11:45am

Hikes for Tykes

Enjoy some nature before naptime with your young child! Join us to travel over hill and dale and explore the fabulous flora and fauna of the Regional Parks.

Hikes average about 1/2 mile. Bring a snack. Strollers are not recommended for many hikes.

Nov 1: Redwood (Canyon Meadow) Ladybug, ladybug, where do you go (in winter)? Maybe we'll find a whole bunch hibernating as we explore this beautiful canyon.

Nov 15: Anthony Chabot (Bort Meadow): What animals will we see as we romp through grassland and forest? Bathrooms will be halfway into the hike.

Nov 29: Leona Canyon (Canyon Oaks Parking Area): A stream flows through this amazing canyon, with lots of birds to see.

Dec 6: Oyster Bay (Neptune Drive): Search for winter birds & butterflies and see views of the bay!

Dec 20: Redwood (Canyon Meadow): Walk into the forest as we search for lovely ladybugs, rainbow fish, and remarkable redwoods.

Crab Cove Visitor Center & Aquarium at Crown Memorial State Beach officially opened on July 4, 1980. You can see bay creatures in our 600-gallon aquarium and 6 other aquariums. The visitor center is open Wed-Sun, 10am-5pm, March - October (10am-4pm November - February).

Programs are free, drop-in, & meet at the visitor center unless otherwise noted.

Program Key:

è = Parking fee may apply

 = Wheelchair accessible

\$ = Fee program

= Register online at ebparks-online.org or call 888-327-2757

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

Given advance notice, accommodations can be made for visitors with disabilities.

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Wed,
11/16
9:30am-
12:30pm

Wednesday Walk

Discover the natural and human history of our beautiful parklands, explore new trails and improve your health with a friendly walking group. Wear sturdy footwear, bring water and dress for the weather. See www.ebparks.org/parks for maps and directions.

Where: Leona Canyon (Canyon Oaks Parking Area)

Hike through a beautiful stream-carved canyon, through Merritt College and then into Leona Heights Park where we'll look down upon the one East Bay old growth redwood tree. We'll witness beautiful 5-bridge views and diverse landscapes. Bathrooms 1.5 miles into hike.



Fri,
11/25
9am-
noon

Hike It Off (Work off your Thanksgiving Meal)

It's time to work off your holiday meal! This 5.25-mile hilly challenge helps burn the calories and feed the soul, as we dip down past small creeks and back up again, with redwoods, prairies, oak woodland, and mixed forest in between. Heavy rain cancels

Where: Redwood Regional Park (Trudeau)



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Sat, 12/10
10:30am-
12:30pm

Ladybug, Ladybug Where do you go?

Where would you go if you were a hibernating ladybird beetle? Walk 3 miles round trip along the beautiful Stream Trail where we will hopefully find them by the thousands!

Where: Redwood Regional Park (Canyon Meadow)



Various
Dates

Saturday Strolls

Wake up and walk into nature. Each week we will explore a different park and nature's wonders within. Hikes range from 2-4.5 miles. Great for families.

Sat Dec 3, 10am-12:15pm: Will rainstorms have filled up Redwood Creek? Will we witness thousands of ladybugs hibernating in this cool, moist, redwood-filled canyon as we stroll 3 miles round trip.

Where: Redwood Regional Park (Canyon Meadow Staging Area)



Sat Dec 17, 10am-12:30pm: Fantastic Bay views, harbor seals, wintering birds, a historic war ship, and some new developments will be witnessed on our 3.5ish mile flat walk.

Where: Encinal Beach

Tue,
12/13
8:30am-
10am

Birdwalk Along the Bay

"Peep" your eyes open! With close observation and a few tricks and tips you can begin to distinguish between the puzzling grays and browns of shorebirds! Beginners welcomed and encouraged.

Bring your own binoculars or a few pairs will be available to borrow. Heavy rain cancels.

Where: Crown Beach (Elsie Roemer Bird Sanctuary)



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Fri, 12/30
11:30am-
1pm

Low Tide Exploration

We will venture into the mud during low tide and peer under rocks to look for crabs and other crustacean critters! Wear old shoes or rainboots and clothes that can get dirty.



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Volunteer Opportunities

Bayside Beach Cleanup

Thu,
12/29
10:30-
noon

Check out the dunes and hope to catch a glimpse of a harbor seal along the Bay trail while we clean up this special area of beach! Bring your own gloves and bucket or borrow ours. Students can earn community service hours.

No registration; drop-in. For information, call (510) 544-3187.

