



## Family Discovery Series



### Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center

5808 Lakemont Blvd SE  
Bellevue

Open:  
Wednesday-Sunday  
10am-4pm

Phone: (425)452-4195

[www.bellevuewa.gov/  
lewis\\_creek\\_park.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/lewis_creek_park.htm)

To register for Family Discovery Series Programs call 425-452-6885 or visit [www.myparksandrecreation.com](http://www.myparksandrecreation.com). **Programs are FREE unless otherwise indicated.** All children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult.

#### Fiction Fridays (1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month)

\$2 per person

Look, Listen and Create during an hour of stories and activities with a Park Ranger. Parents and children will explore together the diverse animal world with animated fiction and fun. Stories and activities are geared toward children ages 3 to 6. **Both parent and child must register.**

When: First Friday of every month

Time: 11am-12pm

#### *The Great Kapok Tree* by Lynne Cherry

In the Amazon Rainforest a man is chopping down a great kapok tree. Exhausted from his work, he puts down his ax and rests. While he sleeps, the animals who live in the tree plead with him not to destroy their home. Learn why rainforests are important and make a rain forest collage to take home.

When: Friday December 3

Course# 50868

#### *Where would I be in an Evergreen Tree* by Jennifer Blomgren

Discover what animals and plants are supported by an evergreen tree then create your own tree art to take home.

When: Friday January 7

Course#56023

#### *Secret Place* by Eve Bunting

A boy finds a secret place in the city that he shares with a white egret, mallards, and even ducklings. Learn why parks and wild habitats are important in cities and make a pinecone birdfeeder to take home.

When: Friday February 4

Course# 56024

#### Winter Tracks

\$3 per person

Not all animals hibernate in winter! Join a ranger as you look for tracks in Lewis Creek. Tracks can help indicate what animals are living in the park and how they adapt to winter. Then make your own plaster track to take home. Ages 6Y and up.

When: Saturday January 22, 2-3pm

Course# 56035

#### Cougar Mountain Wildlife FREE

This talk is presented by Steve Williams, retired manager of Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park, and will include artifacts and mounts of local birds and animals as well as hands-on comparison of skulls and tracks. Come and find out who lives in our woods. Ages 6Y and up. Preregistration is required.

When: Saturday February 12,  
11am-12:30pm

Course# 56047

## Family Movies

It's Movie Time at Lewis Creek! Get a closer look at some of Nature's most wonderful treasures with our **FREE** second Saturday series. Movies will begin at 2pm. All ages welcome. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Registration required. To register, call: 425-452-6885.

#### *Christmastime In Yellowstone*

Part of the PBS NATURE series: Follow the snowy footprints of Yellowstone's red foxes, spy on the predatory warfare of wolves and elk and climb into the den of a female grizzly bear that gives birth to two cubs while deep in hibernation. 52min.

When: Saturday December 11

Course# 50872

#### *Trail of the Cougar*

Part of the PBS NATURE series: Part of the American landscape, cougars lived nearly everywhere in the Americas. Today, numbers are only a fraction of their former population. As the line between wilderness and urban sprawl becomes less distinct, this icon is in a fight for survival. 60min.

When: Saturday January 8

Course# 56036

#### *Raptor Force*

Part of the PBS NATURE series: Dramatic footage from cameras mounted on their backs shows why falcons, owls, eagles and hawks are masters of the sky and why aeronautics engineers use their unique abilities and body designs as the basis of new aircraft technology. 56min.

When: Saturday February 12

Course# 56037

#### Winter Wildlife Walks FREE

Join a Ranger in exploring dynamic Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. All ages welcome. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Preregistration is **not** required.

When: Saturday January 29,  
February 26, 10am

## Adult Enrichment Series

To register for Adult Enrichment Series Programs call 425-452-6885 or visit [www.myparksandrecreation.com](http://www.myparksandrecreation.com). **Programs are FREE unless otherwise indicated.** All children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Registration is required for all Adult Enrichment Series programs.

#### Coal Mining at Cougar Mountain FREE

This program, presented by the Eastside Heritage Center, focuses on 100 years of local coal mining. In 1888 there were 20 mules and 200 men employed here! Exporting coal to San Francisco turned Seattle into a dominant seaport. Learn what is underneath a mountain that is older than Rainier. Ages 10Y and up. Preregistration is required.

When: Thursday January 20, 7-9pm

Course# 56034

#### Understanding Mushrooms! \$3 per person

What are mushrooms? What do they do? Do they help us or harm us? To better understand these mysterious organisms, join Marian Maxwell, president of the Puget Sound Mycological Society, for a discussion about the role of mushrooms in our ecosystem. Ages 10Y and up. Preregistration is required.

When: Thursday February 10, 7-8:30pm

Course# 56620

#### Native Americans: Life in Winter FREE

Discover the wintertime activities of local Native Americans: their work, culture, technologies, games, stories and uses of plants with Barb Williams, local expert and volunteer at the Eastside Heritage Center. During this interactive talk, you will have the opportunity to handle artifacts from her collection. Ages 10Y and up. Preregistration is required.

When: Thursday February 17, 7-8:30pm

Course# 56045

## Nature Vision Programs at Lewis Creek

The City of Bellevue hosts Nature Vision, a local non-profit organization dedicated to fostering appreciation and stewardship of our environment through nature education. All Nature Vision programs are taught by trained educators. **Registration is required for all programs.** To register, call 425-836-2697. Programs cost **\$5 per person.** Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Ages 6Y and up.

#### Animals in Winter \$5 per person

Where do animals go in winter? How do even the tiny ones survive the harsh winter conditions? Join us as we find out how animals adapt to winter. Touch some real animal pelts and play the role of hibernating animals.

When: Saturday December 18, 10:30-11:30am

#### Slithering Snakes \$5 per person

Join a naturalist as we learn about one of the most feared animals on our planet and why we need to appreciate them instead. Touch real snake scoots and scales and understand why snakes are so important to our planet.

When: Saturday January 15, 10:30-11:30am

#### Predators in the Sky \$5 per person

Our skies are filled with hawks, owls, eagles and other birds of prey. Come join us as we explore the park and find out what predators of the sky live in our neighborhood.

When: Saturday February 19, 10:30-11:30am

