Bellevue Parks & Community Services
Event List

October

Oct 1 **When the Rain Falls, by Melissa Stewart**, 11a.m.-12p.m.
Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Part of Fiction Fridays, Look, Listen and Create during an hour of stories and activities with a Park Ranger. Parents and children will explore together. ***Ages:*** 3-6. ***Cost:*** $2. Both parent and child must register. ***Register:*** required. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885. COURSE #50851.

Oct 2 **The Great Northwest Glass Pumpkin Patch**, 9a.m.-4p.m.
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street
Wander through a pumpkin patch of 2,000 hand-blown, one-of-a-kind glass pumpkins made by artists at the Tacoma Glassblowing Studio. Pick your favorite to bring home or just come and see the beautiful hand crafted art. Pumpkins range from $35-$200. Rain or Shine. ***Cost: FREE. Info:*** 425-452-4106.

Oct 3 **Ranger Program - Salmon of Mercer Slough,** 2:30-3p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
The iconic salmon of the Pacific Northwest end their epic journey with a dangerous migration back to their home waters. Learn more about how, when, and where you can see salmon travel up Mercer Slough to their spawning grounds in Kelsey Creek. All ages welcome. All children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. ***Register:*** not required. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-2565.

Oct 9 **Lake Hills Neighborhood Bird Walk**, 9-10a.m.
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
Join a Park Ranger on a walk through the Lake Hills Greenbelt and discover the variety of birds that live in the area! Families encouraged to attend! ***FREE.*** ***Info/Pre-register:*** 425-452-7225.

Oct 9 **Kelsey Creek Farm Fair**, 11a.m.-4p.m.
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th Place SE
Bring your family to the farm and enjoy a variety of old-time activities: live entertainment, heritage demonstrations, kids' crafts, tractor-pulled hay rides, pony rides, barnyard animals and much more. ***Cost:*** no entrance fee; cost varies by activity. (Sorry, no ATM on site and we cannot accept charge cards.) No pets please. ***Info:*** 425-452-7688 or kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov.

Oct 9 **Fraser Cabin Heritage Programs,** 11a.m.-4p.m.
Kelsey Creek Farm Park, Fraser Cabin, 410 130th Place SE
Visitors invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and eastside history. Presented by the Eastside Heritage Center, in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. ***Info***: Eastside Heritage Center 425-450-1049 or www.eastsideheritagecenter.org.

Oct 9 **The Secret World of Bats**, part of Family Movies, 2-3p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
It's Movie Time at Lewis Creek. Get a closer look at some of Nature's most wonderful treasures with our second Saturday series. All ages welcome. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Movie is 48 min. ***FREE*** (donations accepted). Registration required. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885. COURSE #50870.

Oct 10 **Lewis Creek 5K Walk,** 10a.m.-2p.m.
Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd
Enjoy the colors of fall and beautiful pristine natural areas. Great for families, but route does include some steep hills and uneven terrain not suitable for strollers. Sponsored by Whole Foods Market Bellevue. ***FREE***. Call for alternate route options. ***Info:*** contact Debbie, Northwest Arts Center, DPettersson@bellevuewa.gov. Sign-up between 10a.m.-1p.m.

Oct 12 **Celebrate Autumn Dance,** 2-4p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Join Sound of Swing as they play favorites of the Swing era. ***Cost:*** $3. ***Info:*** 425-452-7681 ***Register:*** not required.

Oct 16 **Grimsby Manor Pancake Breakfast**, 8:30-10a.m.
South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way
Grimsby Manor will open for a pancake breakfast this year bringing Halloween fun for entire family, especially the little ones. **Cost:** $8 (2+); ***FREE*** (2 & under). ***Info/Register:*** Dot, 425-452-4240.

Oct 16 **Grimsby Manor – a Dinner Play,** 5:30-7:30p.m.
South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way
In the Halloween spirit, Lord Horace Grimsby invites you and your family to spend an evening at the manor, but not all is as it appears to be. ***Cost:*** $12. ***Ages:*** 7+. ***Info/Register:*** Dot, 425-452-4240.

Oct 16 **Stage Fright,** 8:30-10p.m.
South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way
Calling all writers to submit a scary story to be considered to be read at Stage Fright. Email all entries to Dot Long: dlong@bellevuewa.gov. Entries should be between 3-7 pages long, double spaced and 12 pt. font. Three age categories:12-15, 16-18 and 19+. Come for FREE if you enter a story selection or just come, sit back and get scared while sampling some tasty Halloween delights. ***Cost:*** $6. ***Ages:*** 12+. ***Info/Register:*** Dot, 425-452-4240.

Oct 16 **Mercer Slough Woof Walk**, 10-11a.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Bring your dog on a wilderness walk lead by a Park Ranger through the Mercer Slough Nature Park. Learn how your dog changes your experience while watching for wildlife and what to bring with you for your furry friend. Meet at the Mercer Slough Visitor's Center. Walks are slow-paced. Dress for weather; wear sturdy shoes. Families encouraged to attend. ***FREE. Info/Pre-register:*** 425-452-7225.

Oct 16 **Owl Workshop,** 2-3p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE.
What do owls eat? How do they fly so silently? Learn what unique adaptations these Birds of Prey have and why they are important to the environment. Then dissect your own owl pellet! **Ages 8Y and up.** Cost: $5 per person. Preregistration required. All children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885 COURSE# 50873

Oct 17 **Coal Creek History Walk,** 1:30-4p.m.
Red Town trailhead parking lot(Cougar Mountain), 7336 Lakemont Blvd SE
Easy walk, offered by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services, primitive, lowland trail with a few stair steps and some hills. EHC staff and volunteers will interpret the rich coalmining and natural history of this special area. Bring all-weather outdoor clothing, good walking/hiking footwear, and a water bottle. ***Ages:*** 10+. ***FREE*** (donations accepted). ***Info/Register:*** 425-450-1049 up to 3 days before the hike date. Space limited.

Oct 22 **Spooktacular Movies at SBCC,** 7-9p.m.
South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way
"Coraline". ***Rating:*** PG. Register early; seating limited. All minors must be accompanied by an adult. ***FREE. Info/Register:*** Dot, 425-452-4240.

Oct 23 **Pumpkin Pals**, 10-11:30a.m.
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street
Ponder the perfect pumpkin, make art, music and a yummy snack. A pumpkin Relay race will top off a fun filled fall morning. $20 Residents, $23 Non residents ***Register:*** 425-452-6046.

Oct 23 **Skeletons and Skulls**, 10:30-11:30a.m.
Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Want a chance to hold a skull in your own hands? Come join us as it we discover why it would be scary not to have a skull and skeleton! ***Ages:*** 6+. ***Cost:*** $5. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195 ***Register:*** Nature Vision: 425-836-2697.

Oct 23 **Cattails of Mercer Slough – Science, History, & Culture,** 10a.m.-1p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
This community event brings the science, history, and culture of Cattails to life for the whole family. Adults can enjoy a lecture by Duwamish Tribal Services that will look at the historical significance and uses of Cattails for Native Americans, while kids get up close and personal with Cattails using video microscopes. Later, the whole family can choose to join a Park Ranger to learn about Cattail habitat and historic trading routes, or learn how to weave Cattail mats with Duwamish artists. This event is a collaboration between the City of Bellevue, Duwamish Tribal Services, Eastside Heritage Center and Pacific Science Center. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-2565.

Oct 23 **Haunted Miniature Golf,** 8-11p.m.
South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way
Miniature golf is fun but playing it in the dark in a haunted atmosphere is even better. ***Cost:*** $5. ***Ages:*** 7+. ***Info/Register:*** Dot, 425-452-4240.

Oct 25 **Mom and Me at Mercer Slough,** 10-11a.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Become a naturalist with your child. Learn how to observe and explore the small wonders of Mercer Slough and practice together. All children must be with a registered adult. ***Pre-register:*** required. ***Ages:*** Best for 3-5. ***Cost:*** $5. ***Info:*** 425-452-2565. ***Register***: 425-452-6885.

Oct 29 **Halloween Luncheon,** 11:30a.m.-1p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Join us for our annual celebration. Wear a costume and participate in our costume contest, with prizes for the best costume. Co-sponsored by Catholic Community Services of Pierce County. ***Suggested donation:*** $3 (60+). ***Cost:*** $6 (under 60); both payable at the door.

Oct 29 **Family Movie - The Great Salmon Run**, 5-6:30p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Natural forces drive a spectacular migration for some animals every year. The great salmon run in the Pacific Northwest is one of great opportunity and danger. Approx. 60 min. ***Ages:*** Best for 10+. All children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. ***Register:*** not required. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-2565.

Oct 29-Nov 7 **Dracula**, Oct. 29, 30, Nov. 5, 6 (7 p.m.); Oct. 30, 31, Nov. 7 (2 p.m.)
Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way
Enjoy this light-hearted take on Dracula and other popular monster legends. ***Rating:*** PG. All seats assigned. ***Cost:*** $10. Purchasing your seats in advance is advised. No refunds or exchanges once tickets are purchased. ***Info:*** Sheila, 425-452-4155.

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Nov 5 ***Winter Trees*, by Carole Gerber, Part of Fiction Fridays**, 11a.m.-12p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Look, Listen and Create during an hour of stories and activities with a Park Ranger. Parents and children will explore together. ***Ages:*** 3-6. ***Cost:*** $2. Both parent and child must register. Registration required. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885. COURSE #50852.

Nov 6 **Local Area Mushroom Walk,** 10a.m.-12p.m.
Explore the mushrooms and other fungi that live in Weowna Park with Bellevue rangers? Master Naturalists. Learn about the roles mushrooms play in the forest and how to identify some of the common Northwest mushrooms. Difficulty: Strenuous. Meeting Place: 168th Avenue SE & SE 19th St. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885.

Nov 6 **Lake Hills Neighborhood Bird Walk**, 9-10a.m.
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
Join a Park Ranger on a walk through the Lake Hills Greenbelt and discover the variety of birds that live in the area! Families encouraged to attend! ***FREE.*** ***Info/Register:*** 425-452-7225.

Nov 7 **Ranger Program - Wetlands,** 2:30-3p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Wetlands are a unique and important ecosystem. They help clean water, provide shelter, and sustain plants in oxygen depleted soils. Experience the wetlands first hand and see why they are so vital to the environment. All ages welcome. All children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-2565.

Nov 9 **Veteran's Day Dance,** 2-4p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Join Sound of Swing as they play favorites of the Swing era. ***Cost:*** $3. ***Info:*** 425-452-7681 ***Register:*** not required.

Nov 13 **Life in Cold Blood: Armoured Giants**, 2-3p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
It's Movie Time at Lewis Creek! Get a closer look at some of Natue wonderful treasures with our second Saturday series. All ages welcome. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Movie is 60 min. ***FREE*** (donations accepted). ***Register:*** required. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885. COURSE #50871.

Nov 17 **Thanksgiving Luncheon**, 11:30a.m.-2p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Join the North Bellevue Community Center staff and Boeing employees as we serve you a delicious turkey and trimmings feast. Entertainment provided by Eastside Lyric Theater. All ages welcome. ***Info:*** 425-452-7681. ***Register:*** by November 10. ***Cost:*** $5.

Nov 18-21 **Rapunzel**, Nov. 18, 19, 20 (7 p.m.); Nov. 20, 21 (2 p.m.)
Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way
This version of the timeless tale is sure to have you rolling in the aisles. Learn the who, what, where, when, and most of all, why behind a fairy tale you thought you already knew. It's full of surprises and laughs. Come to BYT and let your hair down! ***Rating:*** G. All seats assigned. ***Cost:*** $10. Purchasing your seats in advance is advised. No refunds or exchanges once tickets are purchased. ***Info:*** Sheila, 425-452-4155.

Nov 20 **Visons of Sugarplums**, 10-11:30a.m.
Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street
Jelly bellies, gumdrops and peppermint FUN! Join us for a sweet beginning to the holiday season by making a mini-gingerbread house, sing songs, dance and eat yummies for your tummies! Dress in your party clothes for happy holiday wholesome FUN! ***Pre-register:*** required. ***Cost:*** $20/$4 additional child (R); $23/$5 additional child (NR). ***Info:*** 425-452-6046 or email NWAC@bellevuewa.gov.

Nov 20 **Cool Camouflage**, 10:30-11:30a.m.
Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
"And now, it will magically disappear!" Come figure out the illusion behind how animals disappear in the forest, meadow and stream! Make a camouflage mask to take home and follow a naturalist along the trail as we try to uncover the illusions of camouflage. ***Ages:*** 6+. ***Cost:*** $5. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** Nature Vision: 425-836-2697.

Nov 20 **Crossroads Woof Walk**, 2 -3p.m.
Crossroads Park, 16000 NE 10th Street
This month - bring your dog and your leash. We'll provide the bags. Join a Park Ranger and learn the basics of canine first aid and what to bring while hiking with your furry friend. Meet at main picnic shelter. Walks are slow-paced. Dress for weather; wear sturdy shoes. Families encouraged to attend. ***FREE. Info/Register:*** 425-452-7225.

Nov 23 **Thanksgiving Dinner**, 5:30-7:30p.m.
Crossroads Community Center, 16000 NE 10th Street
A free Thanksgiving dinner is provided for our neighbors in need. Come early to enjoy holiday arts and crafts at 5:30pm. Dinner served at 6p.m. Event co-sponsored by Aldersgate Methodist Church. All ages welcome. ***Register:*** not required. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-4874.

Nov 25 **FIT FOR THE FEAST,** 9-11a.m.
Bellevue Aquatic Center, 601 143rd Avenue NE
Masters Swim workout. ***Ages:*** 19+. All levels welcome. ***Cost:*** $9 (includes designer t-shirt). ***Info:*** Scott, 425-452-2806.

Nov 26 **YOUTH APPRECIATION DAY,** 12-2p.m.
Bellevue Aquatic Center, 601 143rd Avenue NE
A variety of family activities and safety demonstrations will be offered by staff. Event celebrates today's youth with a focus on water safety; free open swim for children under 13; designer t-shirts for first 50 12 & under children through the front door. ***Cost: FREE. Info:*** Scott, 425-452-2806.

Nov 26-28 **Miracle on 34th Street**, Nov. 26, 27 (7 p.m.); Nov. 27, 28 (2 p.m.)
Meydenbauer Theatre, 11100 NE 6th Street
Do you believe in Santa Claus? Is Kris Kringle real? Come enjoy this classic tale that has entertained audiences for over 60 years. Help us to celebrate 20 years of the Bellevue Youth Theatre and enjoy this wonderful holiday musical treasure. This is part of Bellevue's Magic Season. ***Rating:*** PG. All seats assigned. ***Cost:*** $10. Purchasing your seats in advance is advised. No refunds or exchanges once tickets are purchased. ***Info:*** Sheila, 425-452-4155.

Nov. 27-Jan. 1 **Garden d'Lights,** Nightly 5-10p.m. (last entry at 9:30p.m.)
Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT 2010 GARDEN d'LIGHTS
The enormously popular Garden d'Lights festival features over ½ million lights which transform the Bellevue Botanical Garden into a blossoming winter wonderland. Every December, over 150,000 people enjoy this dazzling display, and many of them want to come at the same time! Here's how you can help us make this much loved event safer and more pleasant for everyone, every evening of the show:

- Plan ahead - Show runs Saturday, November 27 thru January 1.
- Get informed - Visit our new event website, www.gardendlights.org, to:
  - **Make a reservation.** Reservations required this year. ***Admission:*** $5; children 10 and under ***FREE***
  - Get all event and parking details
  - Find out how to visit the show for FREE
- Be patient. Allow plenty of time for parking and entering the show. Every "staff" person you meet as you enter Garden d'Lights is a volunteer, enriching our community through their service. Many have been working on the light display every week throughout the year. Your smile encourages them. Inspired by plants found in Northwest gardens and gardens around the world, hundreds of volunteers have been busy making new creations. A new Tortoise will join the list of over 30 "critters" including Charlotte in her web and Willie the Slug. You won't want to miss the "Aquarium in Lights" in the Visitors' Center with the pulsing jellyfish and our own octopus, or the gorgeous pond and border display on the main lawn. Our new route through the garden will be enhanced with a flowing river in lights and 2 waterfalls. This year will be an exciting adventure for all ages. Plan now to attend. ***Info:*** Recorded Information Line: 425-452-6844.

Nov 30 - Dec 3 **Hilltop Holiday Craft,** 10a.m.-8p.m.; Dec 4, 10a.m.-5p.m.
Northwest Arts Center 9819 NE 24th
Lift your holiday spirit! Come and enjoy a delightful, unique, whimsical, one-of-a-kind craft show featuring thousands of hand crafted items from over 80 selected Northwest crafters. It's not your ordinary CRAFT show! ***Crafter application/ information:*** 360-668-1987 or e-mail: hilltop.Crafts@verizon.net.

December

Dec 3 ***The Great Kapok Tree* by Lynne Cherry (Part of Fiction Fridays)**, 11a.m.-noon
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Look, Listen and Create during an hour of stories and activities with a Park Ranger. Parents and children will explore together. ***Ages:*** 3-6. ***Cost:*** $2. Both parent and child must register. Registration required. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885. COURSE #50868.

Dec 3 **Seattle Civic Christmas Ship**, 8:50-9:10 pm
Newcastle Beach Park, 4400 Lake Washington Blvd SE
Join us on shore to welcome the Seattle Civic Christmas Ship. Beach fire. All ages welcome. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-4106 or NWAC@bellevuewa.gov.

Dec 4 **Lake Hills Neighborhood Bird Walk**, 9-10a.m.
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
Join a Park Ranger on a walk through the Lake Hills Greenbelt and discover the variety of birds that live in the area. Families encouraged to attend. ***FREE. Info/Register:*** 425-452-7225.

Dec 4 **Seattle Civic Christmas Ship** 8:45-9:05p.m.
Chism Beach Park, 1175-96th Avenue SE
Join us on shore to welcome the Seattle Civic Christmas Ship. No beach fire. All ages welcome. ***FREE. Info:*** NWAC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4106

Dec 7 **Tractor pulled hay rides with Santa,** 11a.m.-noon
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park Education Barn, 410 130th Place SE
Create a new holiday family tradition with farm-style fun for parent and child. Hop onto the hay wagon with Santa for a tractor-pulled wagon ride around the farm. All ages welcome; one adult per child. ***Cost:*** $15 per parent/child. Advance registration required. ***Info:*** 425-452-7688 or kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov.

Dec 9-12 **The Magical Mrs. Claus**, Dec. 9, 10 & 11 (7p.m.); Dec. 11 & 12 (2p.m.)
Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way
Why are so many kids getting coal in their stockings this year? Why does Santa want a new suit? Bring your family to see this original holiday musical to find out! Great new songs and dances add sparkle to this fresh story filled with fun and magic. Destined to become a classic! ***Rating:*** G. All seats assigned. ***Cost:*** $10. Purchasing your seats in advance is advised. No refunds or exchanges once tickets are purchased. ***Info:*** Sheila, 425-452-4155.

Dec 11 **Nature: Christmastime in Yellowstone,** 2-3p.m.
Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
It's Movie Time at Lewis Creek. Get a closer look at some of Nature'swonderful treasures with our second Saturday series. Movie is 52 min. All ages welcome. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a registered adult. ***FREE*** (donations accepted). ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. Registration: required. ***Register:*** 425-452-6885. COURTS #50872.

Dec 14 **Tractor pulled hay rides with Santa,** 11a.m.-noon
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park Education Barn, 410 130th Place SE
Create a new holiday family tradition with farm-style fun for parent and child. Hop onto the hay wagon with Santa for a tractor-pulled wagon ride around the farm. All ages welcome; one adult per child. ***Cost:*** $15 per parent/child. ***Register:*** required. ***Info:*** 425-452-7688 or kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov.

Dec 14 **Youth Holiday Party,** 4:30-7p.m.
Crossroads Community Center, 16000 NE 10th Street
Bellevue infants, youth and teens in need can visit Santa and Mrs. Claus! Enjoy entertainment and refreshments and receive a gift. Must be present to receive a gift. Must be in high school if 18. ***FREE*** event for Bellevue families in need. ***Register:*** not required. ***Info:*** 425-452-4874.

Dec 14 **Celebrate Snow Dance,** 2-4p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Join Sound of Swing as they play favorites of the Swing era. ***Cost:*** $3. ***Register:*** not required. ***Info:*** 425-452-7681.

Dec 15 **Holiday Luncheon,** 11:30a.m.-2:00p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Join us for our annual celebration as the staff and volunteers serve you a delicious holiday feast. Seasonal entertainment provided. ***Register:*** by December 10. ***Cost:*** $5. All ages welcome. ***Info:*** 425-452-7681.

Dec 18 **Animals in Winter,** 10:30-11:30a.m.
Lewis Creek Park, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
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. ***Ages:*** 6+. ***Cost:*** $5. ***Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** Nature Vision: 425-836-2697.

Dec 18 **Downtown Woof Walk,** 2-3p.m.
Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4th Street
Bring your dog—and leash—to a Park Ranger led dog walk through Downtown Park. Learn about the dog friendly places in our area where you can bring your canine companion! Meet at the Rose Garden (North East side of the park). Walks are slow-paced. Dress for weather; wear sturdy shoes. Families encouraged to attend. ***FREE. Info & Pre-register:*** 425-452-7225.

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Dec 18 **Holiday Ball Dance with Sound of Swing,** 7-10:30p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Join the Sound of Swing Big Band for a very special dance. Celebrate with your community and hear the big band songs that inspire us all. All ages welcome. ***Cost:*** $10. ***Info:*** 425-452-7681.

Dec 21 **Seattle Civic Christmas Ship,** 7:45-8:05p.m.
Meydenbauer Beach Park 419 – 98th Avenue NE
Join us on shore to welcome the Seattle Civic Christmas Ship. Beach fire. All ages welcome. ***FREE***. ***Info:*** 425-452-4106 or NWAC@bellevuewa.gov.

Seasonal Events

Apr-Oct **Docent-Led Tours,** 2-3:30p.m.
Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street
Every Saturday & Sunday. ***Info:*** 425-451-3755. ***Register:*** not required.

Sept **Garden d'Lights Classes**
Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street
Learn to make beautiful flower light creations that will actually become part of the display at the yearly Garden d'Lights at the Bellevue Botanical Garden. ***Info/Register:*** class types, times and dates: www.bellevuebotanical.org.

Sept -Oct **Kids on the Farm Group Tours**
Kelsey Creek Farm, 410 130th Place SE
Explore our farm and meet our goats, pig, sheep, rabbits, chickens and ponies. Experience the old fashion skill of wool carding and create a wool sheep to take home. Daily viewing. Cost varies according to group size (up to $5 per person.) ***Pre-registration:*** required. ***Info/Register***: 425-452-7688 or email kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov.

Sept-Nov **After School Volunteers,** 3-4:30p.m., Tuesday through Friday
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th Place SE
Earn community service hours in this once-a-week after school volunteer program at Kelsey Creek Farm. You need to have a willingness to learn, a positive attitude, a tolerance for being outside, and an interest in animals. Participants must be capable of understanding and following directions. ***Info:*** 425-452-7688 or kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov ***Registration:*** required.

Various **Plant ID Tours,** 1:00p.m. Saturdays
Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street.
May 8, June 12, July 10, Aug 14, and Sept 11. Led by docents. ***FREE***. Reservations. ***Info:*** 425-451-3755, ***Register:*** not required.

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Ongoing Events

3rd Sunday of each month
NWRSA Area 2060 Greater Sammamish Hand Spinners, 11a.m.-3:30p.m.
Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park (Farm House), 410 130th Place SE
Visitors invited to drop in and watch as spinners demonstrate the traditional art of hand spinning as they turn fuzzy fiber into yarn. New spinners welcome! ***Register:*** not required. All ages welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. ***Info:*** 425-452-7688 or e-mail kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov

Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month
Outspoken Teen Newspaper, 4-5p.m.
Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, 1E-119
Teen newspaper created by teens for teens. ***Info:*** Youth Link, 425-452-5254 or visit www.youthlink.com

Last Monday each month
Youth Link Teen Closet Distribution Event, 4:30-6:30p.m.
World Impact Network, 2015 Richards Road
Teen Closet is a free clothing bank for teens and families in the Bellevue area. Individuals, families, and community groups interested in volunteering at the event can contact Patrick, Youth Link Program Coordinator, 425-452-5254, e-mail palina@bellevuewa.gov, or visit www.youthlink.com

Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month
Community Leadership Awards Night Planning Committee, 4-5p.m.
Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, 1E-119
Help plan a citywide youth recognition event in our community. ***Info:*** Youth Link: 425-452-5254 or visit www.youthlink.com

4th Tuesday each month
Bellevue Youth Court, 6-8p.m.
Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, Council Chambers
Monthly session of Bellevue Youth Court. Two juvenile court cases. ***Info:*** 425-452-2846 or visit www.youthlink.com.

Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday each month
Bellevue Youth Council Meeting, 5-7p.m.
Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, 1E-120
Youth leadership and community service program for Bellevue middle and high school students. ***Info:*** Youth Link: 425-452-5254 or visit www.youthlink.com

1st Thursday each month
Bellevue Network On Aging Meeting, 8:30-10:30a.m.
Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Avenue NE, 1E-112
Info: 425-452-7681 or visit www.bellevuewa.gov/network_on_aging.htm.

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Every Thursday each month
"Jub-Hub" Teen Café Peer Mentoring Project & TRACKS Action Team, 4-6p.m.
Jubilee Reach Center, 14200 SE 13th Place
Plan special events with other teens, help other students with their homework, learn more about our environment and the world we live in at a Café-like atmosphere. Be the difference! ***Info:*** 425-452-5254 or visit www.youthlink.com.

First Saturday each month - NO Bellevue Birding in September and November
Bellevue Birding, 9-10a.m.
Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Once a month, grab your binoculars and boots and join us to look for birds. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-4195. ***Register:*** not required.

Every Saturday
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Walk, 2-3p.m.
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
Join a Ranger for a free guided tour of the Greenbelt! Visit restoration sites; learn about local wildlife; fun for the whole family. All ages welcome. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-7225. ***Register:*** not required.

2010 King County Master Gardener Workshops, (Jan-Oct) 10:30a.m.-noon
Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street
Learn good gardening practices and home-based horticulture tips from a trained Master Gardener. ***FREE. Info:*** 425-452-7225. ***Register:*** not required. For a full schedule of topics and dates: http://www.mgfkc.org.

Every Saturday
Mercer Slough Nature Walk, 2-3p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Did you know that Mercer Slough Nature Park is 320 acres? Join us for a free guided tour of the Environmental Education Center; explore the Park with a Ranger. Dress for weather. All ages welcome. ***FREE. Register:*** not required. ***Info:*** 425-452-2565.

Canoe the Mercer Slough, (May-Sept) 9a.m.-noon
Enatai Beach Park, 3519 108th Avenue SE
Enjoy a guided canoe tour through the Mercer Slough Nature Park. Learn about Bellevue's wildlife and see how this amazing wetland ecosystem functions. Some paddling experience required. ***Ages:*** 5+; 1 adult for every 2 children. ***Cost:*** $12 (R), $14 (NR). ***Registration:*** required. ***Info/Register:*** Ranger Station, 425-452-7225.

Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
Luncheon, 12p.m.
North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Avenue NE
Adults 65 and older can enjoy a delicious, hot lunch. ***Suggested donation***: $3. Lunches sponsored and prepared by Catholic Community Services staff and Center volunteers. Special events such as Thanksgiving and Holiday lunches. ***Info/Pre-register:*** 425-452-7681.

Bellevue Parks & Community Services
Event List

Every 1st Monday each month
Snocon Night, 4-7p.m.
Bellevue Skate Park, 14224 Bel-Red Rd (within Highland Community Park)
Bellevue Skate Park and Snowboard Connection are proud to present "Snocon Night". Various games, best trick contest, and give a ways for families and youth of all ages. Come check it out - you may walk away with some cool prizes. ***Info:*** 425-452-2722. ***Register:*** not required.

Every Wednesday and Saturday
2010 King County Master Gardener Drop-In Clinics, (April-Oct), 9a.m.-1p.m.
Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 15500 SE 16th Street
Consult w/Master Gardeners about all aspects of plant care, disease, propagation, identification, and more. Bring questions. ***FREE. Info***: 425-452-7225 or Demonstration Garden: bellevuedemo@hotmail.com. ***Register:*** not required.

Fridays, Must pre-schedule
Group Tours, (Jun-Aug), 11a.m.-1p.m.
Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE
Rangers offer outdoor interpretive walks. Learn and discuss flora, fauna, and natural and cultural history of Mercer Slough Nature Park. We schedule groups of 5-25, for one-hour program; time slots available: first-come/first-serve. ***Suggested donation***: $1. ***Info/Register:*** 425-452-2565 or email MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov.

Daily, Must pre-schedule
Group Tours
Kelsey Creek Farm Park
Seasonal group tours for preschool and school groups. ***Pre-registration:*** required. ***Info/Register:*** 425-452-7688 or e-mail kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov.

Event Info as of October 4, 2010