

**Bellevue Parks & Community Services
Event List**

May 2008 Events

- May** **Older American's Month.** A celebration of activities all month long, beginning with a City Council proclamation at 8 p.m. on Monday, May 5. For more information and schedule of activities, call North Bellevue Community Center at 425-452-7681.
- May 2** **Barn Dance,** 7-9:30 p.m. at Highland Community Center, 14224 Bel-Red Rd. Western theme dance for teens and adults living with developmental disabilities. Fee for residents \$6/Non-residents \$7. For more information, call 425-452-7686
- May 3** **Fuchsia Show and Sale,** 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. Featuring a great selection of plants from Eastside Fuchsia Society. For more information, call 425-452-2750 or visit www.bellevuebotanical.org
- May 3** **Basic Bird ID,** 10-11:30 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Did you know that the fastest animal in the world lives in Washington? Join a East Lake Washington Audubon Society volunteer to discover great ways to identify our local bird species. Learn what key identifying marks to use, enjoy slides of several local bird species to see those key identifiers, and finish up with a short walk around Lewis Creek Park to try out your new skills. This is a great follow up to Birding Basics or can be taken alone. For ages 10 or older. Free. Pre-registration required. Call 425-452-4195 for more information.
- May 8** **Kelsey Creek Pony Rides,** 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th Pl SE. Bring your little one down to the farm for a ride on an adorable pony. \$3 per ride, Ages: 3 & up. Weight limit of 100 lbs. For information, call 425-452-7688.
- May 9-18** **Romeo and Juliet,** May 9, 10, 16 & 17, 7 p.m.; May 11 & 18, 2 p.m. at Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way. The classic tale told Bellevue Youth Theatre style. A great introduction to Shakespeare. \$9 per assigned seat. For more information, call 425-452-7155.
- May 10** **Native Plant Sale,** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. Proceeds benefit Washington Native Plant Society. For more information, call 425-452-2750 or visit www.bellevuebotanical.org

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- May 10** **Basic Bird Ecology**, 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Come and join a East Lake Washington Audubon Society volunteer to learn about local bird ecology. Discover the variety of amazing birds that live in Washington, and what they need to survive. Join us to learn more about bird habitat, and we will follow it up with a short bird walk in the park. Ages 10 or older. Free. Pre-registration required. Call 425-452-4195 for more information.
- May 10** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: High Color/Low Maintenance Gardens**. Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- May 11** **Mother's Day Social**, 1-4 p.m. at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. Open house featuring light refreshments, music and the opening of Rhododendron Glen and the Fern Grotto at the garden. For more information, call 425-452-2750 or visit www.bellevuebotanical.org
- May 13** **Mother's Day Dance**, 2 to 4 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE. The Sound of Swing will perform \$3 at the door. For more information, call 425-452-7681.
- May 14** **Mother's Day Luncheon**, 11:30 to 1 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE. Enjoy a special lunch, bingo and door prizes. \$3 suggested donation for ages 60+ and \$6 if under age 60. For more information, call 425-452-7681. *Pre-registration required by May 9.*
- May 14** **Family Movie Afternoon: 'Planet Earth: Caves'**, 2 to 4 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Come by after school and discover some of the world's wondrous caves, and this episode will go where few have been before. Caves are one of the only habitats not directly driven by sunlight, but this doesn't mean there's no wildlife living in their confines. All ages welcome. Ages 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Free. Pre-registration required. To register and for more information, call 425-452-4195.
- May 14** **Fishing Techniques of Lake Washington**, 7 to 9 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Get ready for fishing! This lecture will address the best techniques for catching trout, bass, perch and salmon, while fishing from docks or boats in Lake Washington. Instructor Roger Urbaniak is an experienced lecturer, writer, and past president of Puget Sound Anglers. Ages 12 or older; children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost \$15 per person. Pre-registration required. for more information. Please call 425-452-4195.

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- May 14** **Teens Outside Workshop: Introduction to Orienteering**, 2 to 5 p.m. at Robinswood Park, 2430 148th Ave. S.E. Participants will be introduced to the use of map and compass and will use these new skills to compete in small groups. The day will end with a show and tell that will prepare students for the "Teens Outside: Reaching the Summit-Rattle Snake Ledge Hike" on May 21. \$20. Open to teens ages 13-17. Register at www.myparksandrecreation.com (Course # 32185.) For more information, call 425-452-6883, or visit TRACKS@bellevuewa.gov.
- May 13-16** **Natural Resource Week** at Mercer Slough Nature Park. Three day environmental education event for Bellevue 4th and 5th grade students. For more information, call 425-452-7106.
- May 16** **Highland Center Skate Plaza Opening**, 3:30-8:30 p.m. at Highland Community Park, 14224 Bel-Red Rd. Celebrate the opening of Bellevue's newest outdoor skatepark. Free "ribbon cutting" event with skating demonstrations, refreshments and more. The 12,000-square-foot, lighted plaza will complement the 14-year-old indoor Bellevue Skate Park at the same location, and features "street skating" elements including curbs, rails, stairs, "Jersey barriers" and ledges. For more information, call 425-452-2722.
- May 17** **Stewardship Saturday**, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., location to be announced. Community volunteer event to provide an opportunity to participate in the care of our City's park resources. Sign up as a group or participate as an individual. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- May 17 & 18** **Rhododendron Show and Sale**, Sat., 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. Proceeds benefit Cascade Rhododendron Society. For more information, call 425-333-6178 or visit www.bellevuebotanical.org
- May 17** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Apple Maggot and Coddling Moth**. Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- May 17** **Lewis Creek Discovery Walk**, 1 to 3 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Uncover the mysteries of Lewis Creek Park on a two hour walk with experienced nature writer Roger Urbaniak and garden writer Linda Urbaniak. They will identify edible plants, native plants; discuss the headwaters and watersheds of the area, local wildlife, and what is being done to enhance salmon runs by the City of Bellevue. Tour trail is a mostly level, two mile walk. Ages 12 or older. Cost \$15 per person. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195.

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- May 17** **Nosy About Nests**, 10 to 11 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Have you ever seen a nest and wondered who made it? Birds and mammals make all different kinds of nests. Some are made in hollowed out trees and others even hang from branches. Join a naturalist to look at a variety of nests and discover who made them. For ages 6 years and up. Cost \$5 per person. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195.
- May 21** **Teens outside Workshop: Reaching the Summit-Rattle Snake Ledge Hike**, 2 to 7 p.m.. Participants will hike Rattle Snake Ledge after completing a series of team building challenges. They will also be introduced to trail procedures and group dynamics. The highlight of the day is the 280 degree panoramic view to be enjoyed at the summit. \$20. Open to teens ages 13-17. Register at www.myparksandrecreation.com (Course # 32185.) For more information, call 425-452-6883, or visit TRACKS@bellevuewa.gov.
- May 22** **Kelsey Creek Pony Rides**, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th Pl SE. Bring your little one down to the farm for a ride on an adorable pony. \$3 per ride, Ages: 3 & up. Weight limit of 100 lbs. For information, call 425-452-7688.
- May 23-25** **Oklahoma!**, May 23 & 24, 7 p.m.; May 25, 2 p.m. at Meydenbauer Center. Bellevue Youth Theatre performs the Rodgers' and Hammerstein musical. \$12/reserved seat. For more information, call 425- 452-7155 or email byt@bellevuewa.gov
- May 23-June 9**
Crossroads Community Center Maintenance Closure
- May 24** **Beginning Digital Nature Photography Workshop**, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Join an experienced nature photographer as he reveals how to photograph nature with a focus on the greater Puget Sound region. Photograph the beautiful Spring flowers at Lewis Creek Park and if you're lucky, a little wildlife too. Course consists of indoor class and outdoor field practice if the weather cooperates. Dress for the weather. Ages 13+. Cost \$5. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195. Ages 13 and older. Cost \$5. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195.

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- May 28** **National Senior Health & Fitness Day Celebration**, 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. at South Bellevue Community Center, 14509 SE Newport Way. Celebrated nationally, adults ages 55+ are invited to come and explore fitness possibilities, learn about healthy aging, and try out fun fitness classes. Free. For more information, call 425-452-4240.
- May 28** **Teens Outside Workshop: Forest Stewardship**, 2 to 5 p.m. at Robinswood Park, 2430 148th Ave. S.E. Participants will explore and learn about the forest. They will also be giving back to the forest by removing invasive plants like English ivy. Snacks and other goodies will be provided. \$20. Open to teens ages 13-17. Register at www.myparksandrecreation.com (Course # 32185.) For more information, call 425-452-6883, or visit TRACKS@bellevuewa.gov.
- May 29** **Bellevue Youth Link Community Leadership Awards**, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Meydenbauer Center, 11100 NE 6th St. A free event to honor the contributions of youth leaders who have positively impacted our community. For more information, call 425-452-6129.
- May 31** **Soil: It's More Than Dirt**, 10 to 11:00 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Dig into some dirt and discover all of the neat stuff that make plants grow in it! Join a terrific naturalist to learn about the physical, chemical and biological components. What better way to learn than to dig in? For ages 6 years old and up. Cost \$5 per person. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195.
- May 31** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Shade Gardening**. Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.

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June 2008 Events

- June 6-7** **Bellevue Youth Theatre's Annual Rummage Sale**, Friday & Saturday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16661 Northup Way. All money raised goes directly to running this educational and fun program. If you would like to donate items to the rummage sale, the staff at BYT will gladly accept your gently used donations from now through June 5th. Drop off times are 3-7 p.m., Monday-Friday. If you need to make special arrangements for picking up items, please call BYT at 425-452-7155.
- June 7** **Crossroads Water Spray Playground Grand Opening Celebration**, noon to 3 p.m. at Crossroads Park International Playground, 16000 NE 10th St. The official ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at noon and includes entertainment and free refreshments. This new playground will provide fun and recreation for all levels of physical ability, while engaging children and their care givers in interactive and accessible water play. Children of all ages will enjoy squirting clams, orca whales, a floating granite world and more. For more information, call 425-452-6881.
- June 7** **Spring Bug Safari**, 10 to 11 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Join a naturalist to gently seek out and learn about bugs. After all, how can you have a spring without bugs? Games, bug hunting and bug holding are all part of the fun. For ages 6 and up. Cost \$5 per person. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195.
- June 7** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Lady Beetles**. Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- June 8** **Northwest Senior Games, Kayaking Competition**, 8 a.m., Enatai Beach Park, 3519 108th AVE SE. Presented by the City of Bellevue, in cooperation with the cities of Seattle, Kirkland, Redmond, Mercer Island, and Shoreline. Since 1998 the Northwest Senior Games have provide athletes of all abilities, 50 years of age and older, the opportunity to compete competitively and recreationally in a variety of sports. For a complete list and schedule of sports visit www.northwestseniorgames.org or www.myparksandrecreation.com.
- June 10** **Father's Day Dance**, 2 to 4 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063 148th Ave NE. The Sound of Swing will perform \$3 at the door. For more information, call 425-452-7681.
- June 11** **Father's Day Luncheon**, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at North Bellevue Community Center, 4063-148th AVE NE. Enjoy a delicious lunch, watch a DVD showcasing a 1931 coast-to-coast Model A road trip, view restored

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vehicles and talk to vehicle owners. \$3 suggested donation for ages 60+ and \$6 if under age 60. *Pre-registration by June 9 is required.* For more information and to register, call 425-452-7681.

- June 14** **Stream Ecology**, 10 to 11 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Have you ever wondered why different streams have different critters than others? Come and join a super stream naturalist and discover all about what makes streams healthy, and what they need to be healthy. You can learn about the different bugs that might be living in Lewis Creek. For ages 6 and up. Cost \$5 per person. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195.
- June 14** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Lavenders.** Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- June 18** **Family Movie Afternoon: 'Winged Migration'**, 2 to 4 p.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. "For eighty million years, birds have ruled the skies, seas and earth. Each spring, they fly vast distances. Each Fall, they fly the same route back. This film is the result of four years following their amazing odysseys, in the northern hemisphere and then the south, species by species, flying over seas and continents." — Jacques Perrin (from "Winged Migration") All ages welcome. Ages 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Free. Pre-registration required. To register and for more information, call 425-452-4195.

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- June 21** **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th Pl SE. Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and eastside history. The programs are free to the public and appropriate for people of all ages. For more information, contact the Eastside Heritage Center at 425-450-1049 or visit www.eastsideheritagecenter.org.
- June 21** **Wetland Ecosystems**, 10 to 11 a.m. at Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd. SE. Come to Lewis Creek to discover the wonders of wetlands! Wetlands do lots of really cool things like give homes to birds and other awesome animals and also help to clean your water. Join a naturalist to learn about your local wetland, the headwaters of Lewis Creek/ For ages 6 years old and up. Cost \$5 per person. Pre-registration required. For more information, call 425-452-4195.
- June 21** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Garden Mistakes.** Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- Jun. 21-22** **Bellevue's 9th Annual 24-Hour Relay Challenge at Bellevue Downtown Park.** Begins 10:00 a.m. on June 21 and closes at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 22. Come celebrate a walking relay that builds community connections for 24 hours. For more information call 425-452-2846.
- June 22** **Summer Solstice Dance.** 7 to 9 p.m. at the North Bellevue Community Center, 4063-148th AVE NE. Celebrate the Summer Solstice while enjoying the tunes of the Big Band era with the Sounds of Swing! Cost \$5 per person. For more information, call 425-452-7681.
- June 28** **Youth Dock Fishing Class**, 1 to 3 p.m. at Newcastle Beach Park, 4400 Lake Washington Blvd. SE. Kids will learn effective fishing techniques that will allow them to catch more fish from Lake Washington docks plus how to tie and bait their hooks. Perch or trout will be targeted. Students will be given a tackle box for the class that they may keep and written diagram on knot tying. Loaner fishing poles will be available or you may bring your own. Students must be accompanied by at least one parent or guardian. Life vests must be worn while on the dock. Class taught by Roger & Linda Urbaniak and limited to a maximum of 20 youth. Follow signs to class in the park to class lecture area. Cost \$20 per person. For ages 12 and up. Pre-registration required. Please call 425-452-4195 for more information.

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- June 28-29 Strawberry Festival at Crossroads International Park.** Free. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Celebrate an Eastside tradition with displays exhibits vendor booths, food, entertainment, and strawberry shortcake. For information, call 425-450-1049 or visit www.bellevuestrawberryfestival.org.
- June 28 King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Tackling Tough Weeds and Other Naughty Plants.** Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- Jun. 28-29 Mountains to Sound Greenway Days.** Free. Celebrate the beauty and benefits of the Mountain to Sound Greenway system with a full weekend of events and activities that will help you discover many of the natural, historic and cultural treasures throughout the region. Activities in Bellevue include Bellevue include Family Orienteering Challenge at Lewis Creek Park and scavenger hunt sites at Meydenbauer Marina and Mercer Slough Nature Park. For a complete list of all the Greenway Days activities, visit www.mtsgreenway.org. For information about Bellevue's activities, call 425 452-7106.
- Jun. 29 SEAFAIR Marathon & Half Marathon,** 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proposed new route to start at Husky Stadium; cross 520 Evergreen Point Floating Bridge; wind through Downtown waterfront areas; and end at Bellevue Downtown Park. For more information, visit seafairmarathon.org.

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- July 2** **Independence Day Luncheon** at the North Bellevue Community Center, 4063-148th AVE NE. Come and celebrate the founding of the United States of America with a delicious meal, bingo and door prizes. Wear some red, white and blue! Suggested donation of \$3 payable at the door. *Pre-registration required by Friday, June 29.*
- July 4** **Symetra Bellevue Family 4th** presented by Washington Square, Bellevue Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4th St., 6 p.m.. Free. Bring the family to enjoy live entertainment, food and fun, followed at approximately 10:00 p.m. by the Eastside's largest fireworks display synchronized to a performance by the Bellevue Philharmonic. For more information, call 425-452-4106 or visit www.bellevuedowntown.com.
- July 12** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Expert Panel on Garden Problems.** Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- July 19** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Expert Fall and Winter Vegetables.** Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- July 19** **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th Pl SE. Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and eastside history. The programs are free to the public and appropriate for people of all ages. For more information, contact the Eastside Heritage Center at 425-450-1049 or visit www.eastsideheritagecenter.org.
- July 26** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Water Features: Ponds & Falls.** Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- July 25-27** **Bellevue Arts & Crafts Fairs** in Downtown Bellevue. For more information, call Bellevue Arts Museum at 425-519-0770.
- July 25-27** **Strawberry Festival at Crossroads Community Park.** For more information, call Eastside Heritage Center, 425-490-

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July 31 **Kids' Show at Robinswood Park**, Robinswood Barn, 2432 148 Ave. NE, 1:30 p.m. Free. Featuring the Harmonica Pocket Children's Show. The event is cosponsored by King County Library System and will be held on the grass in the park, bring a blanket for seating. For information, call 425-452-7688.

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- August 1-3 Schoolhouse Rock! at Bellevue Youth Theatre**, 16661 Northup Way. The 1970's Saturday morning cartoon series comes to the stage! All ages will delight in this fun and educational blast from the past. For more information or tickets, call 425-452-7155 or email byt@bellevuewa.gov
- August 2 Pops in the Park**, 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St. Pack a picnic supper and bring family and friends to an enchanting summer evening at the Bellevue Botanical Garden. The event will include music by the Fabulous Roadstars Dixieland band and tricks performed by a professional clown to entertain the kids. Sponsored by the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society and the City of Bellevue Parks and Community Services Department, this event is free and open to the public. Donations are encouraged. For more information, contact jmock@bellevuewa.gov or call 425-452-2750.
- Aug. 2 King County Master Gardeners Workshop: All About Compost and Soil**. Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- Aug. 9 King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Summer Celebration & Children's Fair**. Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.
- Aug. 9-10 Community Campout**, Sat. 3 p.m. – Sun. 10 a.m. at Eastgate Park, 14509 SE Newport Way. Pitch a tent and enjoy an evening barbecue, scavenger hunts for youth and adults, family games, mobile climbing wall, stargazing, interpretive presentation on nature and orienteering, songs, a pancake breakfast and more. Participants must pre-register. \$25/Family up to 4 members; \$10 for each additional member. To register and for more information, call 425-452-4240.
- August 11-13 The Jungle Book at Meydenbauer Center**, 11100 NE 6th St. The Bellevue Youth Theatre performs this beloved classic tale. Special free performance for day camps and non-profit organizations on Friday, August 11 at 11 a.m., but you must call to reserve your seats. 1 hour and 45 minutes with intermission. For more information and tickets, call 425-452-7155 or email byt@bellevuewa.gov; or visit or call the Meydenbauer Ticket Window at 206-325-6500.

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- Aug. 16** **Fraser Cabin Heritage Program**, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Kelsey Creek Community Farm Park, 410 130th Pl SE. Visitors are invited to participate in hands-on activities that relate to 1880s settler life: agriculture, dairy, household tasks, log cabins, games and eastside history. The programs are free to the public and appropriate for people of all ages. For more information, contact the Eastside Heritage Center at 425-450-1049 or visit www.eastsideheritagecenter.org.
- Aug. 16–17** **Eastside Fuchsia Society Plant Show and Sale**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main St. Featuring a great selection of plants from Eastside gardeners. For more information, visit bellevuebotanical.com or call 425-452-6826.
- August 20** **End of Summer Picnic**, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., North Bellevue Community Center, 4063-148th AVE NE. Madison House - Totem Lake will co-sponsor the event and will be providing the box lunches. Try the 'Cupcake Walk', play Croquet, make crafts, and win some great Bingo prizes! We'll be eating indoors, but some activities will take place outdoors. *Pre-registration required by August 15.*
- Aug. 22** **Dragonboat Festival at Newcastle Beach Park, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.**
Dragon boat race and festival & BBQ picnic. For more information, call Team Survivor NW at 206-440-3213.
- Aug. 23** **King County Master Gardeners Workshop: Growing Orchids at Home.** Free gardening workshop from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden, 156th Ave SE and SE 16 St. For more information, call 425-452-7225.

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- April-May Garden d’Lights Classes.** Hands-on classes are offered to anyone who wants to learn how to create lights the “Bellevue Botanical Garden” way. Every class participant will make a flower to be used as part of our new display for next year. In addition to classes, work parties are scheduled through out the year. Call 425-451-3755 to sign up or for more information.
- April-May Garden d’Lights Work Parties.** Scheduled hands-on opportunities to help create, repair and maintain the displays used in Bellevue Botanical Garden’s seasonal Garden d’Lights. Open to everyone who’s taken at least one class previously. Free. Call 425-451-3755 to sign up or for more information.
- April-May Farm Tours/ Kids on the Farm.** Attention Teachers! A visit to Kelsey Creek Farm lets children experience farm life from the pioneer era through the 1930’s. Learn interesting animal facts and tour the barn full of local history. Feed the chickens, pet a pony, goats and rabbits and discover the softest fiber around, wool from our sheep. After visiting the animals, children move inside to experience the old-fashioned skill of wool carding and create their own wooly sheep to take home. For more information and reservations for these programs, call 425-452-7688.
- Apr.-Oct. Bellevue Botanical Garden Tours.** Saturdays and Sundays, 2 p.m. at Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street. A docent from the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society will lead a guided tour of the gardens. No pre-registration required for individuals or small groups. For large groups or customized tours any day, please contact 425-451-3755 at least 3 weeks in advance.
- mid-April-early June Babies in the Barnyard.** Welcome springtime with a tour of our newest baby animals, which may include chicks, goat kids, a calf and piglets. Learn about their special care and feeding, tour our historic barn, and finish up in the garden planting pumpkin seeds. Many groups return in the fall to check on their pumpkin’s growth and choose a pumpkin from our indoor pumpkin patch.

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Apr. – Oct. Seasonal Fresh Produce Stand:

Mercer Slough Blueberry Farm / Bill Pace Fruit & Produce
Mercer Slough Nature Park, 2380 Bellevue Way SE
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
425-467-0501

May-Oct. Nature Walks in Mercer Slough, Saturdays, 2–3 p.m. Winters House,
2102 Bellevue Way SE. Free guided nature walk in Bellevue’s largest
wetland park. 425-452-2752.

June - Sept. Seasonal Fresh Produce Stands:

Larsen Lake Blueberry Farm
700 148 Ave SE
Tuesdays through Sundays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
425-260-2266

Lake Hills Farm Fresh Produce Stand
15500 SE 16th St, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
425-260-2266

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