### AUGUST 2018

### August 1 Theatre on the Green: "The Day Zero Left Dodge," 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street Enjoy the summer evening outdoors while being entertained by a live theatre experience presenting a unique mathematical Western musical for children. Children's art and bubbles activity will be available from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Theatre presentation begins at 6:30 p.m. This classic theatre is presented by Last Leaf Productions. Ages: All ages welcome; family event. Cost: Free! Preregistration: Not required. Info: NWAC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4106.

### August 2 Crossroads Movies in the Park: "Coco," 7:30 p.m. - 11 p.m. Crossroads Community Park, 16000 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Street Bellevue Parks & Community Services has partnered with Crossroads Shopping Center to bring you four Thursday night movies in Crossroads Park. Join your friends and family for a night of free admission, free pre-movie activities, and free popcorn. Family activities begin at 7:30 p.m. Movies begin at dusk (around 9 p.m.) and are shown under the stars on a huge, 40-foot inflatable screen with a state-of-the-art projection and sound system. Movies will be cancelled in the event of rain. Ages: All ages; family event. Movie is rated PG. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: outdoormovies@bellevuewa.gov, 425-452-4240, or <a href="https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/special-events/outdoor-movies/crossroads-movies-in-the-park/">https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/special-events/outdoor-movies/crossroads-movies-in-the-park/</a>

 August 3 Lewis Creek Story Time: "Voices of the Wild" Two sessions, choose one – 11 a.m. –noon OR 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Look, listen and create during an hour of stories and crafts! Ride along with a kayaker as he discovers that every animal around him has its own story. This is an indoor program. Ages: Best for ages 3-7 with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! Pre-registration: RSVP required for children and adults. Info and to RSVP: LCVC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4195.

### August 3-19 "The Jungle Book" (Bellevue Youth Theatre Play),

August 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18 at 7 p.m.; August 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19 at 2 p.m. Bellevue Youth Theatre, 16051 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Street Rudyard Kipling's famous tale of Mowgli and his relationship with the animals who raise him from a small child. Set in India, this is a great show for all families. **Ages:** All ages. **Cost:** \$12. All seats are reserved. **Info and to buy tickets:** 425-452-7155.

- August 4 Ranger-Led Hike at Lewis Creek Park, 10:30 a.m. noon Meeting place: Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Join a Park Ranger to explore the natural and cultural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Distance: Approximately 1 mile. Level of difficulty: Easy (50 feet elevation change). Ages: All ages welcome; we encourage families to join us! Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.
- August 5 Mercer Slough Ranger Walk, 2 p.m. 3 p.m., rain or shine Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Bring the whole family to join a Park Ranger on a guided hike through the Mercer Slough Nature Park. This kid-oriented program aims to educate kids and their parents about the Nature Park while discovering the birds and animals that call the Mercer Slough home. The hour-long nature walk ends at the channel bridge in the middle of the park. From there you are able to continue on to further explore the rich diversity the park has to offer. Ages: Family event; all ages welcome. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Please RSVP. Info and to RSVP: MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- August 5 Forest Fire Tag, 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Join a Park Ranger to learn about forest fires this month. We'll play some fun games to explore the science behind wildland fires, how trees protect themselves from fire, and even how some forests need fire to keep the ecosystem healthy. This is an indoor/outdoor program. Ages: Best for kids ages 5-10 with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.
   August 7 The Battle of the Bands, presented by The Brian Waite Band (Children's Program), 11 a.m. – noon Kelsey Creek Farm Park Amphitheater, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE

Bellevue Friends of the Library, in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services, presents the energized Brian Waite Band. Visit the "musical land of Rockmania" and sing, dance and laugh as you journey to this magical and musical place! The natives of Fastopolis, Beatborough and Lowburg like to argue but quickly learn that working together and playing in harmony makes for a better and happier country. **Ages:** Family event; all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-7688.

### August 7 Downtown Movies in the Park: "Paddington 2"

Pre-movie activities begin at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk. *Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street* Join us at Bellevue's Downtown Park for Downtown Movies in the Park, presented by Charles Schwab and Viome. Enjoy free popcorn and watch familyfriendly movies on a giant 40-foot inflatable screen. This annual movie series runs for eight consecutive Tuesday evenings throughout July and August, with each movie preceded by an hour of pre-movie activities and entertainment for all ages. Every movie features a local non-profit organization. Movie-goers are encouraged to bring items on the non-profit's wish list to support their cause. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>outdoormovies@bellevuewa.gov</u>, 425-452-4240, or <u>https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/special-events/outdoor-movies/downtown-movies-</u> in-the-park/

### August 8 Theatre on the Green: "The Emperor and the Nightingale,"

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24th Street

Enjoy this live children's musical theatre experience while you relax outdoors with your family. Children's art and bubbles activity will be available from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Theatre presentation begins at 6:30 p.m. This classic theatre is presented by Last Leaf Productions. **Ages:** All ages welcome; family event. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>NWAC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-4106.

### August 9 Crossroads Movies in the Park: "Wonder," 7:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Crossroads Community Park, 16000 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Street

Bellevue Parks & Community Services has partnered with Crossroads Shopping Center to bring you four Thursday night movies in Crossroads Park. Join your friends and family for a night of free admission, free pre-movie activities, and free popcorn. Family activities begin at 7:30 p.m. Movies begin at dusk (around 9 p.m.) and are shown under the stars on a huge, 40-foot inflatable screen with a state-of-the-art projection and sound system. Movies will be cancelled in the event of rain. **Ages:** All ages; family event. Movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>outdoormovies@bellevuewa.gov</u>, 425-452-4240, or <u>https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/special-events/outdoormovies/crossroads-movies-in-the-park/</u>

### August 11 Wilderness Tea Party, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE

Join us for a tea party where you never know what new friends you'll make! Learn who lives in our forests, and listen to the sounds of nature as we sip beneath the trees. Wear that dress or tie that you don't mind getting a bit dirty, and sip on a selection of decaffeinated teas. This is an outdoor program. **Ages:** Best for ages 4-7 with accompanying adult(s). **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to RSVP:** LCVC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4195.

### August 11 Garden Class: Make Herbal Infusions, 10 a.m. – noon Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street Join a Tilth Alliance instructor and learn how to turn garden herbs into culinary and medicinal infusions. Herbs are easy to grow and can be made into products that are healthful and delicious. Learn how to grow herbs like mint, fennel, lavender and chamomile, and how to harvest and use garden herbs in your kitchen pantry and medicine cabinet. Cost: \$30 for Bellevue Botanical Garden Society members; \$40 for non BBGS members. Pre-registration: Recommended. Info and to register: https://bellevuebotanical.org/

### August 12 Ranger-Led Hike at Lakemont Community Park, 10:30 a.m. - noon Meeting place: Lakemont Community Park, 5170 Village Park Drive SE This lovely trail winds alongside a creek as we ascend and descend throughout the park. Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Distance: 2 miles. Level of difficulty: Moderately difficult (2 miles with 700 feet elevation change). Ages: All ages welcome; we encourage families to join us! Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.

### August 14 Downtown Movies in the Park: "The Greatest Showman"

Pre-movie activities begin at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk. *Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street* 

Join us at Bellevue's Downtown Park for Downtown Movies in the Park, presented by Charles Schwab and Viome. Enjoy free popcorn and watch family-friendly movies on a giant 40-foot inflatable screen. This annual movie series runs for eight consecutive Tuesday evenings throughout July and August, with each movie preceded by an hour of pre-movie activities and entertainment for all ages. Every movie features a local non-profit organization. Movie-goers are encouraged to bring items on the non-profit's wish list to support their cause. **Ages:** All ages; movie is rated PG. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>outdoormovies@bellevuewa.gov</u>, 425-452-4240, or <u>https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/special-events/outdoor-movies/downtown-movies-in-the-park/</u>

### August 15 Theatre on the Green: "Twelfth Night," 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street

Enjoy this live Shakespeare comedy while you relax outdoors with your family. Children's art and bubbles activity will be available from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Theatre presentation begins at 6:30 p.m. This classic theatre is presented by Last Leaf Productions. **Ages:** All ages welcome; family event. **Cost:** Free! Donations will be accepted by Last Leaf Productions. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>NWAC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-4106.

### August 16 Crossroads Movies in the Park: "Cars 3," 7:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

*Crossroads Community Park, 16000 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Street* Bellevue Parks & Community Services has partnered with Crossroads Shopping Center to bring you four Thursday night movies in Crossroads Park. Join your friends and family for a night of free admission, free pre-movie activities, and free popcorn. Family activities begin at 7:30 p.m. Movies begin at dusk (around 9 p.m.) and are shown under the stars on a huge, 40-foot inflatable screen with a state-of-the-art projection and sound system. Movies will be cancelled in the event of rain. **Ages:** All ages; family event. Movie is rated G. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>outdoormovies@bellevuewa.gov</u>, 425-452-4240, or <u>https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/special-events/outdoormovies/crossroads-movies-in-the-park/</u>

### August 17 Aloha Picnic and Dance, 5 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Highland Community Center, 14224 Bel-Red Road This event is facilitated for individuals living with intellectual disabilities. Highland presents warm breezes and tropical beach wishes at this annual summer picnic and aloha dance. Celebrate your summer with friends, as there will be grass skirts a-plenty, on this warm summer evening. The picnic starts at 5 p.m., with the dance to follow at 7 p.m. Ages: 16 years and older. Cost: \$10/resident; \$12/non-resident. Pre-registration: Required. To register: Contact Mary Boyle at Mboyle@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4118. Info: 425-452-7686.

### August 18-19 Fuchsia Show and Plant Sale, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

*Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street* See fuchsia blossoms of all shapes and colors, and purchase hardy fuchsias for your home garden. This event is hosted by the Eastside Fuchsia Society. Open to the public. **Cost:** Free admission and parking; costs vary for plants. **Preregistration:** Not required. **Info:** http://www.nwfuchsiasociety.com/societies.htm

 August 18 Fraser Cabin Heritage Program, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. *Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE*  The Fraser Cabin, built in 1888, comes to life with activities and interpretation presented by volunteers and staff from the Eastside Heritage Center. 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. Fraser Cabin Heritage Programs are presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. Ages: All ages are welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost: Free! Pre- registration: Not required. Info: Eastside Heritage Center – www.eastsideheritagecenter.org or 425-450-1049.

### August 18 Family Discovery Series: Dragonflies – Ferocious Sky Hunters,

2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE* Dragonflies are beautiful and intriguing to watch, but did you know they are also ferocious predators? They can judge the speed and trajectory of their prey with such precision that they adjust their flight accordingly and ambush unsuspecting insects in mid-air. Join a Park Ranger for a fun-filled hour to learn more about these aerial hunters. **Ages:** Best for children ages 5-10 years old. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Please RSVP. **Info and to RSVP:** <u>MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-2565.

**August 18** Forest Fire Tag, 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE

Join a Park Ranger to learn about forest fires this month. We'll play some fun games to explore the science behind wildland fires, how trees protect themselves from fire, and even how some forests need fire to keep the ecosystem healthy. This is an indoor/outdoor program. **Ages:** Best for kids ages 5-10 with accompanying adult(s). **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

### August 21 Downtown Movies in the Park: "Ferdinand"

Pre-movie activities begin at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk. Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street

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# August 23 Crossroads Movies in the Park: "Beauty and the Beast," 7:30 p.m. - 11 p.m. Crossroads Community Park, 16000 NE 10<sup>th</sup> Street Bellevue Parks & Community Services has partnered with Crossroads Shopping Center to bring you four Thursday night movies in Crossroads Park. Join your friends and family for a night of free admission, free pre-movie activities, and free popcorn. Family activities begin at 7:30 p.m. Movies begin at dusk (around 9 p.m.) and are shown under the stars on a huge, 40-foot inflatable screen with a state-of-the-art projection and sound system. Movies will be cancelled in the event of rain. Ages: All ages; family event. Movie is rated PG. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: outdoormovies@bellevuewa.gov, 425-452-4240, or https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/special-events/outdoor-movies/crossroads-movies-in-the-park/

### August 24 Batty Nights at Lewis Creek Park, 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
Come test your echolocation with a Park Ranger. We'll learn all about our Northwestern bat species before taking a dusk hike to watch for bats as they leave their roosting sites to forage for insects! Bring a flashlight or headlamp, as well as sturdy shoes for the journey. This is an indoor/outdoor program. Ages: Best for children ages 5 and older with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! Preregistration: Required for youth and adult participants. To register: https://register.bellevuewa.gov, course 1802340. Info: LCVC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4195.

### **August 25** Forest Fire Tag, 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

*Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE* Join a Park Ranger to learn about forest fires this month. We'll play some fun games to explore the science behind wildland fires, how trees protect themselves from fire, and even how some forests need fire to keep the ecosystem healthy. This is an indoor/outdoor program. **Ages:** Best for kids ages 5-10 with accompanying adult(s). **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

### August 25-26 Garden Event: Arts in the Garden, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street

Enjoy this opportunity to see art in a natural setting, meet the artists, and get inspired to bring art into your own home and garden. Discover about 40 artists and a wide variety of sculpture and garden art available for purchase among the flowerbeds and woodlands of the Bellevue Botanical Garden. Purchase art for your home and garden, while enjoying music, food and libations. **Cost:** Free admission and parking; prices vary for artwork for sale. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>http://www.artsinthegardenbellevue.org/</u>

### August 28 Downtown Movies in the Park: "Ghostbusters"

Pre-movie activities begin at 7:30 p.m.; movie begins at dusk. *Downtown Park, 10201 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street* 

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### August 31 Nature Movie: "Ocean Deep," 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE This final installment of Planet Earth concentrates on the least-explored area of the planet – the deep ocean. The last sequence depicts the largest animal on Earth, the blue whale. At one time 300,000 blue whales once roamed the world's oceans. Now fewer than 3% remain. **Ages:** Best for ages 5 years and older. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Please RSVP. **Info and to RSVP:** <u>MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-2565.

### **SEPTEMBER 2018**

- Sept 1 Ranger-Led Hike at Lewis Creek Park, 10:30 a.m. noon Meeting place: Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Join a Park Ranger to explore the natural and cultural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Distance: Approximately 1 mile. Level of difficulty: Easy (50 feet elevation change). Ages: All ages welcome; we encourage families to join us! Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.
- Sept 2 Mercer Slough Family-Friendly Ranger Hike, 2 p.m. 3 p.m., rain or shine Meet at: Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Bring the whole family to join a Park Ranger on a guided hike through the Mercer Slough Nature Park. This kid-oriented program aims to educate kids and their parents about the Nature Park while discovering the birds and animals that call the Mercer Slough home. The hour-long nature walk ends at the channel bridge in the middle of the park. From there you will be able to continue on to further explore the rich diversity the park has to offer. Distance: 1.5+ miles. Level of difficulty: Easy (30 feet elevation change). Ages: Family event; all ages welcome. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Please RSVP. Info and to RSVP: <u>MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 2 The Washington State Sea Turtle Race, 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Did you know that leatherback sea turtles forage for jellyfish just off the cost of Washington State? Join us to learn about their biology. We'll play a fun sea turtle migration game outside. This is an indoor/outdoor program. Ages: Best for children ages 5 to 10 with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! Preregistration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.
- Sept 3 Holiday Farm Tour: Labor Day, 11 a.m. noon or 1:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m. *Kelsey Creek Farm Park Animal Barn Foyer, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE* Come visit our resident farm animals! Meet our ponies, pigs, sheep, goats, chickens, and rabbits, all while discovering what it takes to be a farmer. You will get to pet many of our animals and even feed some of them. Ages: Kids ages 2 years and older, with an adult. Cost: \$8/resident and \$10/non-resident. Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register:
   KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1835371 for the 11 a.m. tour, and course #1835372 for the 1:30 p.m. tour).

Sept 7 "Wild Kratts: Build It Beaver" (Nature Movie), 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street
When the Wild Kratts accidentally break a beaver dam, they must help the beaver family rebuild it and restore the pond's ecosystem. Watch this family educational show with a Bellevue Park Ranger, and stick around afterward for a beaver program! Ages: 3 to 8 years old. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register: ParkRangerProgram@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-6993.

### Sept 7 Lewis Creek Story Time: "The Salamander Room"

Two sessions, choose one – 11 a.m. –noon OR 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Look, listen and create during an hour of stories and crafts! Have you found a salamander hidden in the forest or wondered about what our mysterious amphibian friends are up to? There are thirteen species of salamander that call Washington home, and they come in all sizes and colors. This story time, we'll read two stories all about some of our favorite amphibians! This is an indoor program. Ages: Best for ages 3-7 with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! **Pre-registration:** RSVP required for children and adults. **Info and to RSVP:** LCVC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4195.

- Sept 8Hardy Fern Foundation Plant Sale, 9 a.m. 3 p.m.Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main StreetPurchase unusual ferns for your garden, and learn about ferns from the experts!Sale is hosted by the Hardy Fern Foundation and is open to the public. Cost:Free admission and parking; costs vary for plants. Pre-registration: Notrequired. Info: <a href="http://www.hardyferns.org/">http://www.hardyferns.org/</a>
- Sept 8 The Washington State Sea Turtle Race, 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Did you know that leatherback sea turtles forage for jellyfish just off the cost of Washington State? Join us to learn about their biology. We'll play a fun sea turtle migration game outside. This is an indoor/outdoor program. Ages: Best for children ages 5 to 10 with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! Preregistration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.

 Sept 11 Bellevue Main Club Open House, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Bellevue Main Club, 209 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE Sample upcoming Fall programs for free at the Bellevue Main Club. Try 50minute fitness classes to get you moving, as well as classes that create connections and promote lifelong learning. The Fall session starts on September 17. Visit the Bellevue Main Club web page for more information about our programs. Ages: Adults, 18 years and older. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: <u>NWAC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-4106.

### Sept 14 Garden Class: Mindfulness in the Garden – Deepening Your Awareness, 10:30 a.m. - noon

Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street Integrating elements of mindfulness meditation and Shinrin Yoku (Japanese Forest Bathing), we will cleanse and free our mind, body and spirit, creating a sense of inner strength, spaciousness and stillness. Instructors Deborah Wilk, LMFT, and Jessica Volpentesta, LMHC, are psychotherapists in private practice and co-founders of Mindful in the Wild. **Cost:** \$25 for Bellevue Botanical Garden Society members; \$35/non-BBGS members. **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** <u>http://www.bellevuebotanical.org/</u>

### Sept 15 Painting with Chickens, 10 a.m. – noon

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, Education Barn, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE Create a painting with a chicken! Children will work with a chicken to create a fun, colorful piece of artwork, combining your child's creativity with the footprints of one of our resident chickens. Children will also get to pet the chicken artists and feed them some yummy treats. All activities will be inside. The nontoxic children's finger paint is washable, but have your child wear clothes that you don't mind getting dirty. **Ages:** 5-9 years old. **Cost:** \$25/resident and \$30/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. Day-of registration will be accepted if space allows. **Info and to register:** 

KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1835361.

### Sept 15 Garden Class: Top Ten – Fabulous Foliage for Autumn, 10:30 a.m. - noon Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street This class, taught by George Lasch, will focus on the top ten trees that color up well before shedding. We will talk about how and why foliage changes, and best ways to maximize the show. The walk and talk will focus on good garden trees that reliably show off in the October drizzle. One of our most popular and entertaining speakers, George was the Supervisor of the Perennial Border garden at BBG for eight years. Cost: \$25 for Bellevue Botanical Garden Society members; \$35/non-BBGS members. Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register: http://www.bellevuebotanical.org/

Sept 15 Fraser Cabin Heritage Program, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE

The Fraser Cabin, built in 1888, comes to life with activities and interpretation presented by volunteers and staff from the Eastside Heritage Center. 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. Fraser Cabin Heritage Programs are presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. **Ages:** All ages are welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** Eastside Heritage Center – www.eastsideheritagecenter.org or 425-450-1049.

 Sept 16 Ranger-Led Hike at Lakemont Highlands Open Space, 10:30 a.m. - noon Meeting place: Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Join a Bellevue Park Ranger at the Lewis Creek Visitor Center to explore the Lakemont Highlands Open Space trail system. Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Distance: Approximately 3.5 miles. Level of difficulty: Moderately difficult (680 feet elevation change). Ages: All ages welcome. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.

Sept 16 Northwest Perennial Alliance Lecture: Truly Compelling Combinations – Creating Sizzle and Subtlety, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
 Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street
 Award-winning author and garden designer Brenda Adams will explain how and why plant combinations work to create more beautiful and compelling spaces. You will discover new ways to use foliage, color, texture, form and other plant attributes to design upbeat, dazzling and exciting combinations as well as those with a calm, more subtle, but still very memorable presence. Cost: Free for Northwest Perennial Alliance members; \$15 for non NWPA members. Preregistration: Recommended. Info and to register: http://www.northwestperennialalliance.org/Brenda Adams lecture.php

Sept 19 Flu Shot Clinic and Community Resources Fair, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m., rain or shine *Stevenson Elementary School, 14220 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Street* Bring the whole family to visit the new Stevenson Elementary building! Join vendors, organizations, and community services providers at a fun event for everyone. Limited free flu shots will be available to low-income individuals and families. Bellevue organizations will share their informational materials at their tables. Ages: Family event; all ages welcome. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: Cecilia Martinez-Vasquez at <u>cmartinezv@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-456-6000.

 Sept 19 BBG Society Lecture: Entertaining – White House Style, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street
 Laura Dowling was the Chief Floral Designer at the White House from 2009-2015. This program will include a slide show of White House events and a presentation about stylish entertaining at home. This lecture is presented by the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society and is open to the public. Cost: \$5 for Bellevue Botanical Garden Society members; \$15 for non BBGS members. Preregistration: Recommended. Info and to register: <a href="https://bellevuebotanical.org/">https://bellevuebotanical.org/</a>

### Sept 21 The Good Garter Snake, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street Garter snakes are the only native snake in Bellevue. Nearly harmless, they slither through the wetlands hunting insects, frogs and other small creatures. Join us as we learn about this awesome snake, who was recently named the Master Naturalists' Creature of the Year! Ages: 3 to 8 years old. Cost: Free! Preregistration: Required. Info and to register: ParkRangerProgram@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-6993.

## Sept 21 Welcoming Week Event – Brazilian Drumming Workshop, 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street Create rhythms in an intuitive, spontaneous way. Brazilian instruments will be available as well as buckets, plastic oil pans, and anything that can make sound. Learn to play traditional and contemporary Brazilian grooves, and explore your own creativity. Enjoy playing as an ensemble with an instructor who has performed for celebrities such as Nelson Mandela, Paul Simon, Pope John II and the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama! Ages: Ages 10 to adults. Cost: \$10/resident and \$12/non-resident. Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register: NWAC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-4106, course 1803693.

### Sept 22 Master Gardeners of King County – Speaker Series and Plant Sale,

9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

*Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street* Shop cool plants from unique, local nurseries, and attend sessions with excellent speakers. Master Gardeners can earn Continuing Education credits for these sessions. **Cost:** Free parking and admission to the plant sale; costs of plants and speaker session fees vary. **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** <u>http://www.mgfkc.org/events</u>

### Sept 22 Fall Farm Fun: Sheep, Chickens, and Bunnies, Oh My! 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. *Kelsey Creek Farm Park Animal Barn Foyer*, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE Meet a sheep, feed a chicken, and pet a bunny! Enjoy a fall morning on the farm in the company of our animals. Activities include animal petting, crafts, and snack time. Come dressed for the weather. This event is for adult/child teams only. Ages: 3-6 years old. Cost: \$25/resident and \$30/non-resident. Pre-registration: Required. Day-of registration will be accepted if space allows. Info and to register: KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1803644.

- Sept 22 Family Discovery Series: Nature's Recyclers, 2 p.m. 3 p.m. Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Who is cleaning up the forest floor? Fungus, bacteria and invertebrates are nature's busy recyclers working endlessly to break down organic material. Not only do they break down decaying matter, but they also turn it into rich, nutrientfilled soil necessary for healthy forests. Join a Park Ranger to enjoy a story, hand-on activities, and a chance to meet some wiggly recyclers. Ages: Best for children ages 5-10 years old. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Please RSVP. Info and to RSVP: MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.
- Sept 22 The Washington State Sea Turtle Race, 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE
   Did you know that leatherback sea turtles forage for jellyfish just off the cost of Washington State? Join us to learn about their biology. We'll play a fun sea turtle migration game outside. This is an indoor/outdoor program. Ages: Best for children ages 5 to 10 with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! Preregistration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.
- Sept 27 Garden Class: Gardening in Tough Spots, 6:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m. Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street This class will be taught be Christina Pfeiffer. Every garden seems to have a spot where it is more difficult to keep plants thriving. This class offers practical tips on how to turn those spots around and determining best plant choices. Common garden challenges will be covered, including soil conditions, light levels, too much or too little moisture, root competition, slopes, and tight spaces. Cost: \$25 for Bellevue Botanical Garden Society members; \$35/non-BBGS members. Preregistration: Required. Info and to register: http://www.bellevuebotanical.org/
- Sept 27 Pasta Dinner Class, 7 p.m. 9 p.m.

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, Farm House Upper Room, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE Enjoy the farm in the evening as you learn how to make pasta with tools you probably have in your kitchen. We will use fresh herbs from the garden for the sauce to complement the pasta. Class includes recipes and hearty samples. No previous cooking experience is necessary. **Ages:** Adults only, 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$40/resident and \$48/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** <u>KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-7688, course #1803563.

### Sept 28 Nature Movie: "Life in the Undergrowth," 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE Join David Attenborough on his groundbreaking exploration into a spectacular miniature universe not normally seen but teeming all around us. Open your eyes to the bizarre, ferocious and surprisingly beautiful world of invertebrates. These creatures may be miniscule, but they live life on a truly grand scale. We'll provide the popcorn! Ages: All ages welcome - best for ages 5 years and older. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Please RSVP. Info and to RSVP: MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

### Sept 28 Evening Nature Walk, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Join a Bellevue Park Ranger for a (grown-ups only) hike where we'll explore some of the park's nocturnal species, as well as strategies for seeing these shy animals at night. Please bring a flashlight or headlamp, dress for the weather, and wear sturdy shoes. This is an outdoor program. **Distance:** 1 mile. **Difficulty:** Easy (50 feet elevation change). This is an outdoor program. **Ages:** Adults only. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required. **To register:** https://register.bellevuewa.gov, course #1803884. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

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Oct 5 "Wild Kratts: Masked Bandits" (Nature Movie), 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. *Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street* The Wild Kratts team starts to notice strange things happening in the Tortuga HQ. Jimmy is sure there is a ghost living with them, but they soon discover it's a raccoon family causing all the trouble. Watch this family educational show with a Bellevue Park Ranger, and stick around afterward for a raccoon program! Ages: 3 to 8 years old. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register: ParkRangerProgram@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-6993.

### Oct 5 Lewis Creek Story Time: "Creative Web Weavers"

Two sessions, choose one – 11 a.m. –noon OR 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. *Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE* Look, listen and create during an hour of stories and crafts! Spiders might seem scary and weird, but once you learn more about them, you'll see they're an important part of our lives. After we read our stories, we'll tap into some of the spider's creative abilities for our craft. This is an indoor program. **Ages:** Best for ages 3-7 with accompanying adult(s). **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** RSVP required for children and adults. **Info and to RSVP:** <u>LCVC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-4195.

- Oct 6Ranger-Led Hike at Lewis Creek Park, 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.Meeting place: Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SEJoin a Park Ranger to explore the natural and cultural history of Lewis CreekPark. Look for signs of local wildlife, and learn what to do when encounteringanimals in the wild. Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes.Distance: Approximately 1 mile. Level of difficulty: Easy (50 feet elevationchange). Ages: All ages welcome; we encourage families to join us! Cost:Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.
- Oct 6 Kelsey Creek Farm Fair, 11 a.m. 4 p.m. *Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE* Bring your family to the farm and enjoy our Fall Festival. The Farm Fair features live entertainment, heritage demonstrations, pick-a-pumpkin (gathered from the vine but in a farm pasture), and farm animals. No pets please. Free shuttle services from Wilburton Park & Ride and Bannerwood Sports Park. Ages: All ages – family event. Cost: No entrance fee; cost varies by activity. Preregistration: Not required. Info: KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688.

### Oct 6 Volunteer for Special Event - Kelsey Creek Farm Fair, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th Place SE Earn community service hours! Assist with children's activities and other event tasks. Volunteers need to be able to follow directions, be comfortable in crowds, and be on your feet in all types of weather. Participants must register by Oct. 5, 2018, and be enrolled in high school at date of event. All volunteers will be required to complete a Criminal Background check and provide their Social Security number. Ages: Grades 9-12. Cost: Free. Pre-registration: Required by October 5. No day-of-event registrations will be accepted. Info: KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1803642.

Oct 6 Fraser Cabin Heritage Program, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, 410 130th Place SE The Fraser Cabin, built in 1888, comes to life with activities and interpretation presented by volunteers and staff from the Eastside Heritage Center. 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. This event is part of Kelsey Creek Farm's annual Farm Festival. Fraser Cabin Heritage Programs are presented by the Eastside Heritage Center in partnership with Bellevue Parks & Community Services. Ages: All ages are welcome; children 3must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. Info: Eastside Heritage Center – www.eastsideheritagecenter.org or 425-450-1049.

Oct 7 **Family-Friendly Ranger Hike,** 2 p.m. – 3 p.m., rain or shine Meet at: Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE Bring the whole family to join a Park Ranger on a guided hike through the Mercer Slough Nature Park. This kid-oriented program aims to educate kids and their parents about the Nature Park while discovering the birds and animals that call the Mercer Slough home. The hour-long nature walk ends at the channel bridge in the middle of the park. From there you will be able to continue on to further explore the rich diversity the park has to offer. Distance: 1.5 miles. Level of **Difficulty:** Easy (30 feet elevation change). **Ages:** Family event; all ages welcome. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Please RSVP. Info and to RSVP: MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

### Oct 7 **Nature's Recyclers,** 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE Where do the autumn leaves go after they fall? Do park rangers rake the forest at night, or does the wind sweep the leaves all away? If not for nature's cleanup crew, we would all be buried under leaves and fallen trees. But if you want to see this team in action, you'll have to watch the ground closely. Come along with a Park Ranger as we look around fallen logs and under old leaves to see if we can spot some pro recyclers and learn a few recycling skills too! This is an indoor/outdoor program. Ages: Best for children ages 5 to 10 with accompanying adult(s). Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Not required. Info: 425-452-4195.

### Oct 12 Spiders! 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. *Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street* Spiders! They're building webs and catching bugs. You can find a variety of different spiders in the Pacific Northwest. Whether you think they are creepy or cool, join us for this family spider class and even make a spider craft! Ages: 3 to 8 years old. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register: ParkRangerProgram@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-6993.

### **Oct 12** Night Hike at Lewis Creek Park, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE* When the sun sets and the dark of night creeps in, Lewis Creek Park comes alive! Learn about the different nocturnal and crepuscular species that call the park home, and join a park ranger on a hike through the woods after dark! Bring a flashlight or headlamp, as well as sturdy shoes for the journey. This is an indoor/outdoor program. **Ages:** Best for children ages 5 and older with accompanying adult(s). **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Required for youth and adult participants at <u>https://register.bellevuewa.gov</u> for course 1803882. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

### Oct 13 Introduction to Backyard Chickens, 10 a.m. – noon

*Kelsey Creek Farm Park, Education Barn Farm Room, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE* Are you interested in keeping pet chickens in Bellevue? Kelsey Creek Farm staff can help you get started! We'll cover setting up a chicken coop, where to get chickens, what breeds to pick from, and how to care for them at all stages of life. You'll also tour our chicken coops, see the kind of equipment you'll need, and practice picking up and holding a chicken. **Ages:** Ages 14 years and older; children must be accompanied by an adult. **Cost:** \$20/resident and \$25/nonresident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1803535.

### **Oct 13 Nature's Recyclers,** 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE

Where do the autumn leaves go after they fall? Do park rangers rake the forest at night, or does the wind sweep the leaves all away? If not for nature's cleanup crew, we would all be buried under leaves and fallen trees. But if you want to see this team in action, you'll have to watch the ground closely. Come along with a Park Ranger as we look around fallen logs and under old leaves to see if we can spot some pro recyclers and learn a few recycling skills too! This is an indoor/outdoor program. **Ages:** Best for children ages 5 to 10 with accompanying adult(s). **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

### Oct 14 Garden Class: Top Ten Evergreens, 10 a.m. – noon Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street

In this seasonal class, taught by George Lasch, we will talk about the plants that shine as backdrop plants during the winter months. We will discuss why plants are evergreen and how to best use them in your garden. Conifers and their pruning will be touched upon, but we won't limit "evergreen" to "conifers." Come and enjoy a winter garden stroll with George. He was the BBG's Perennial Border Supervisor for eight years and shares his extensive knowledge of plants and gardening with humor and wisdom. **Cost:** \$25 for Bellevue Botanical Garden Society members; \$35 for non BBGS members. **Pre-registration:** Recommended. **Info and to register:** https://bellevuebotanical.org/

### **Oct 14** Living with Wildlife: Crouching Bobcats, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE How can you tell the difference between a bobcat, cougar, and a housecat? Bobcats are reclusive and sneaky, but sometimes we're lucky enough to see them! Find out how to recognize these short-tailed cats, and how we can coexist with our shy neighbors. This is an indoor program. **Ages:** This program is best for adults. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

### Oct 17 BBG Society Lecture: The New Perennial Movement - Bringing the Highline Home, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street Tony Spencer is the creative force behind *The New Perennialist*, an awardwinning blog exploring the frontiers of naturalistic garden design. Join us for his fascinating lecture. **Cost:** \$5 for Bellevue Botanical Garden Society members; \$15 for non BBGS members. **Pre-registration:** Recommended. **Info and to register:** <u>https://bellevuebotanical.org/</u>

### Oct 20 Painting with Chickens, 10 a.m. – noon

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, Education Barn Farm Room, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE Create a painting with a chicken! Children will work with a chicken to create a fun, colorful piece of artwork, combining your child's creativity with the footprints of one of our resident chickens. Children will also get to pet the chicken artists and feed them some yummy treats. All activities will be inside. The nontoxic children's finger paint is washable, but have your child wear clothes that you don't mind getting dirty. **Ages:** 5-9 years old. **Cost:** \$25/resident and \$30/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. Day-of registration will be accepted if space allows. **Info and to register:** 

KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1835362.

### Oct 20 Family Discovery Series: All About the Bats, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. *Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center*, *1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE* Bats play a vital ecological role all over the world. Several species of bats call the Mercer Slough Nature Park home. Come learn some fun facts about these mammals. Enjoy a spooky bat story, and put your artistic skills to use to take home your own batty creation. Ages: Best for children ages 5-10 years old. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Please RSVP. Info and to RSVP: MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-2565.

### **Oct 21** Nature's Recyclers, 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

*Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE* Where do the autumn leaves go after they fall? Do park rangers rake the forest at night, or does the wind sweep the leaves all away? If not for nature's cleanup crew, we would all be buried under leaves and fallen trees. But if you want to see this team in action, you'll have to watch the ground closely. Come along with a Park Ranger as we look around fallen logs and under old leaves to see if we can spot some pro recyclers and learn a few recycling skills too! This is an indoor/outdoor program. **Ages:** Best for children ages 5 to 10 with accompanying adult(s). **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

### Oct 25 Soup, Salad and Artisan Bread, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Kelsey Creek Farm Park Farm House Upper Room, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE Learn to make two delicious soups, scrumptious salads, and artisan bread that will nourish your family through the winter. No cooking experience is necessary. We'll provide recipes and hearty samples. **Ages:** 18 years and older. **Cost:** \$40/resident and \$48/non-resident. **Pre-registration:** Required. **Info and to register:** KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1803564.

### **Oct 26** Nature Movie: "The Secret World of Bats," 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE* Bats are often feared and misunderstood. However, without these amazing mammals, our ecological systems would be significantly altered; life as we know it would drastically change. This film captures all aspects of bat behavior across five continents with remarkable slow-motion photography. You don't want to miss it! Bat costumes encouraged. We'll provide the popcorn! Ages: All ages are welcome, but movie is best for ages 5 and older. **Cost:** Free! **Preregistration:** Please RSVP. **Info and to RSVP:** <u>MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-2565.

### Oct 27 Fall Farm Fun: Pigs and Pumpkins, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Kelsey Creek Farm Park, Education Barn Heritage Room, 410 130<sup>th</sup> Place SE
 Pigs love pumpkins, and we think you will too! Children get to make pumpkin treats, go on a scavenger hunt, do a craft, and learn all about pigs. Each child will pick out a pumpkin to take home. Come dressed for the weather. Ages: 3-6 years old; children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost: \$25/resident and \$30/non-resident. Pre-registration: Required. Day-of registration will be accepted if space allows. Info and to register:
 KelseyCreekFarm@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-7688, course #1803645.

 Oct 27 Pumpkin Pals, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Northwest Arts Center, 9825 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street
 Spend a fun-filled morning pondering the perfect pumpkin! Art, music, a yummy snack and a pumpkin relay race are some of the happy activities planned for the morning. Ages: Ages 2 to 5 years. Cost: \$21/resident and \$26/non-resident. Each additional family member is \$5/resident and \$6/non-resident.
 Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register: <u>NWAC@bellevuewa.gov</u> or 425-452-4106, course 1803616.

Oct 27 A Batty Evening, 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Meet at - Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16<sup>th</sup> Street Spend the later part of your day going on a walk with a Bellevue Park Ranger. We will listen for nocturnal animals, smell the cool evening air, and see the park in a different light. Also, learn about local bats that live in Bellevue and make our parks their home in the evening hours. Ages: Families with children ages 3 to 8 years old. Cost: Free! Pre-registration: Required. Info and to register: ParkRangerProgram@bellevuewa.gov or 425-452-6993.

### Oct 28 Ranger-Led Hike at Coal Creek Natural Area, 10:30 a.m. - noon Meet at: Cinder Mine Trailhead (Newcastle Golf Club Road, west of Redtown Trailhead)

Join a Park Ranger at the Cinder Mine Trailhead to discover Bellevue's largest park and get lost in the wilderness while still in the city! This area is rich in history and wildlife. Please dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. **Distance:** 2 miles. **Level of difficulty:** Moderately difficult (2 miles with 240 feet elevation change). **Ages:** All ages welcome. **Cost:** Free! **Pre-registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.