



Kindergarten & Preschool Programs

These programs are designed to meet educational standards for California public schools. Program hours are Tuesday-Friday, 9am-1pm. 30 minute programs are \$50 a class. All programs take place at the Nature Center.



Amazing Amphibians

Amphibians ruled the earth long before the dinosaurs. These secretive, cold-blooded creatures have adapted through time to our ever-changing

world. During this program, children will learn about the special lifestyle of these amphibians that have survived on earth for so long and go on a short walk to look for frogs, toads and salamanders.

Babes in the Woods

Why are baby animals so cute? How are animal kids' lives different from ours and how are they the same? We'll explore these questions and go for a hike through the Park to look for new animal families.

Beautiful Butterflies

Spring in Bidwell Park means a profusion of butterflies and caterpillars. We'll learn about the amazing life cycle of the butterfly and go for a walk to look for residents like the Pipevine Swallowtail Butterfly and their caterpillars.



Bloomin' Bidwell Park

In Spring, Bidwell Park comes alive with carpets of multicolored flowers. Are all those flowers just for us to enjoy? Why do plants go to the fuss of making them? We will talk about flowers and go for a short walk to see what's blooming.

Deciduous or Evergreen (Trees)

Why do some trees lose their leaves in the winter while others don't? What does a tree need in order to grow, and why are they so important in nature? In this workshop, children will discover the answers to these questions and take a nature walk through the Park to identify different types of trees.



Feathers, Beaks, and Funny Feet

Birds are some of our most easily seen wildlife, coming to visit our own backyards. Why are there so many kinds of birds? Why so many shapes and sizes of beaks? Why all those funny feet? In this program, we'll answer those questions and take a walk in beautiful Bidwell Park to look for birds.

Going Batty!

Bats, those cute and helpful little creatures, have a bad reputation as flying terrors. This is far from true! During this program we will dispel some of the myths around bats and learn how they are an important part of keeping our local ecosystem in balance. We will also go for a walk through the Park to see where bats live.



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Great Gobblers!

It's turkey time! Did you know we actually have wild turkeys right here in Bidwell Park? Join our naturalist to learn about the wild side of our feathered friends. We will get a close up look at a turkey specimen and go for a walk through some turkey habitat.

I Spy Spring!

How do the plants and animals of Bidwell Park survive the cold winter and get ready for spring? What are those buds on the trees? Where are all those birds coming from? These are a few of the questions we will explore in the center and as we hike through the Park.



Rockin' Raptors!

Raptors are some of the most amazing members of the animal world. They are beautiful birds of prey, the fastest animals in the world, with incredible powers of vision and hearing. Bidwell Park is home to many kinds, including Red-Tailed and Red-Shouldered Hawks, Great Horned Owls, and more. During this program, children will learn what makes them so special and go on a short walk in the Park to look for them.

Slithering Snakes

Are snakes really slimy? Are turtles really slow? During this program children will learn the truth behind the myths about reptiles. We will also go for a short walk looking for signs of these creatures.

Turtle or Tortoise?

Turtles are some of our most ancient and unique animals. Why are they so slow? Can they take their shells off as they do in cartoons? We will learn about different types of turtles and go on a short walk to see the kinds of places where our native turtles live.

Mammal Mania

The mammals of our world are a diverse group of creatures. We have mammals that crawl, climb, swim and even fly! During this program participants will talk about what makes mammals special and take a



nature walk around the Nature Center grounds to see what native mammals call Bidwell Park home.

Radical Rabbits

Why do rabbits have such big ears? Do they eat anything besides carrots? During this program children will learn about these cute, furry creatures, the habitats they live in and their place in nature. We will also go for a walk in search of these animals.

