



February 2018

OPENS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Nature Exchange

Curiosity Lab

Join us for an exciting new program in the Curiosity Lab where visitors of all ages can exchange objects they've found in nature (e.g., rocks, pine cones, fossils) for items from the Museum's Nature Exchange trading case. The more you know about the object, the more points you'll be awarded! Guests are allowed to bring in one item per visit, but please leave bird's nests, eggs, dead animals, living plants and animals, or anything protected by law where you found them.

FREE with paid admission.

Information: jcanty@sbnature2.org or 805-682-4711 ext. 162

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

FIELD TRIP: Hiking Red Rock Mines

9:00 AM–2:00 PM

Join Geologist, Susie Bartz on a field trip to Red Rock which follows the Santa Ynez River. Explore the old Los Prietos/Juniper mercury mining area through narrow valleys as Bartz teaches about how California's fault lines formed the cinnabar, a hydrothermally enriched "red rock" ore of mercury.

Important Information: This field trip consists of a moderate 2.5 mile (roundtrip) hike on uneven and loose terrain, and requires the ability to climb up and down slopes with loose gravel and traverse through rugged arroyos. Participants must be in healthy, physical condition to participate.

Members \$45; non-members \$50

Pre-registration required; limited enrollment. To register, visit sbnature.org/tickets

Information: Call Stefanie Coleman at 805-682-4711 ext. 170 or scoleman@sbnature2.org.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

NEW PROGRAM: Art Inspired by... Botanicals!

11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Art Inspired by... is where science meets craft workshops. Join us for a DIY workshop creating botanical block printed tote-bags. Learn about our local plant life that inspired the craft and then make your own block printed masterpiece with guidance from local artist Christine Brand from Nature + Pigment. Price includes all materials needed, you even get to keep some of the tools.

Members \$35; non-members \$40

Information: Call Stefanie Coleman at 805-682-4711 ext. 170 or scoleman@sbnature2.org.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Romancing the Stars

6:00 PM, 6:45 PM at Gladwin Planetarium

Take a romantic tour of the universe inside the Gladwin Planetarium. Uncover myths and stories about love, the planets, and Cupid's role in Greek mythology. Afterwards, you and your sweetie will view our amazing night sky through telescopes in our newly renovated Palmer Observatory. Guests will enjoy chocolates by *Jessica Foster Confections* and a glass of champagne.

FREE for Members of the Explorer Level and Above (Explorer Members or higher MUST RSVP to receive free entry. Membership@sbnature2.org or 805-682-4711 ext. 114) \$10 per person. Buy tickets at sbnature.org/tickets

Information: Call Leana Orsua at 805-682-4711 ext. 114 or lorsua@sbnature2.org.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Science Pub: White Abalone Captive Breeding Program

6:30–8:00 PM at Dargan's Irish Pub

Join Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History Sea Center Aquarist, Thomas Wilson as he discusses the history and current state of the White Abalone fishery, and the efforts of a group of California institutions to restore these animals to their former population density.

FREE public program.

Information: Call Stefanie Coleman at 805-682-4711 ext. 170 or scoleman@sbnature2.org.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Science on Site: Investigating Mission Creek

11:00 AM–2:00 PM at BaseCamp

Explore Mission Creek while learning about our local watershed with Museum Naturalist, Christine Melvin. Collect your own samples from the creek and test for water quality, look for life, and determine the health of our local aquatic ecosystem. Make your own envrioscape and explore the impacts of pollution and more.

Close-toed shoes required. Free with Museum admission.

Information: Call Stefanie Coleman at 805-682-4711 ext. 170 or scoleman@sbnature2.org.



Tickets are required for all public planetarium presentations and are available in the Museum's admissions office with general admission: Members free; non-members \$4.

Weekdays

Wednesdays
3:00 PM Your Cosmic Quest

Fridays
3:00 PM Kids' Space Adventure

Weekends

11:00 AM	Twinkle, Twinkle for Little Stars
Noon	Black Holes
1:00 PM	Kids' Space Adventure
2:00 PM	What's Up
3:00 PM	Your Cosmic Quest (en español Los Domingos)