

# 2013

**Fall/Winter**

September – December

## **NATURAL RESOURCE PROGRAMS**

Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center

Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station

Lewis Creek Visitor Center



Parks & Community Services  
Natural Resource Division

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# Special Events

## BELLEVUE PARKS NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST WINNER SHOWCASE

September – December

**Lewis Creek Park Visitor Center,  
5808 Lakemont Blvd SE**

From June-August amateur nature photographers were busy clicking away collecting some of their favorite nature shots taken in Bellevue Parks. The winners have been chosen and their photos, along with the runners up, are being displayed at Bellevue Parks premiere environmental education centers, including Lewis Creek Visitor Center and the Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center.

**Cost:** Free! **Info:** 425-452-4195.



## HARVEST FESTIVAL

September 14, 10 a.m. – Noon

**Lake Hills Master Gardeners Urban  
Demonstration Garden (15500 SE 16th Street)**

After a great growing season, come join the Master Gardeners to celebrate the Harvest. Past years have included tomato tastings and harvest-related demonstrations.

**Ages:** All. **Register:** 425-452-7225. **Cost:** FREE. **Info:** Master Gardener, Pat Naselow at 425-531-1694.

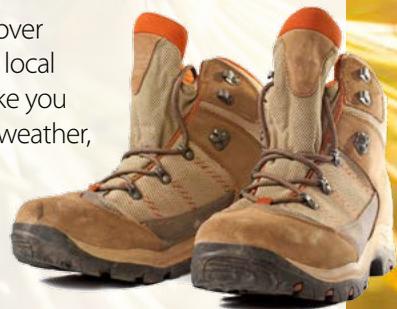


## Local Area Hikes

Did you know Bellevue has almost 100 parks and over 80 miles of trail to explore? Get connected to your local greenbelts and neighborhood parks as rangers take you on hikes throughout the year. Please dress for the weather, bring water and wear sturdy shoes. Hikes vary in theme and length. Please see details below.

**Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-4195



## LAKE HILLS GREEN BELT RANGER HIKES

Every Saturday, 2 – 3 p.m.

Do you know the story behind the phantom at Phantom Lake?

Can you spot a nurse log? Join a Park Ranger for a free, guided tour of the Greenbelt. Learn the history of the park, tour community gardens, and discover our local wildlife. Be sure to dress for the weather.

**Distance:** 1-3 miles

**Elevation Change:** 10 feet.

**Meeting Place:** *Lake Hills Green belt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th St.*

**Info:** 425-452-7225 or lharper@bellevuewa.gov.



## MERCER SLOUGH RANGER HIKES

Every Saturday, 2 – 3 p.m. unless other programs are being presented  
Join a Park Ranger for a free, guided tour and learn about the fascinating flora, fauna, and history of the Mercer Slough Nature Park. Please dress for weather.

**Distance:** 1 mile

**Elevation Change:** 35 feet.

**Meeting Place:**  
*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave SE*

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or mseec@bellevuewa.gov

## LEWIS CREEK RANGER HIKES

Saturdays: September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7,  
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Join a Ranger in exploring the natural history of Lewis Creek Park. Look for signs of local wildlife and learn what to do when encountering animals in the wild. All ages welcome. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes.

**Cost:** Free!

**Distance:** 1-2 miles.

**Elevation Change:** 50 feet

**Meeting Place:** *Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

**Info:** 425-452-4195 or lcvc@bellevuewa.gov.

Local Area Hikes Continued

## COAL CREEK PARK HIKE

September 21, 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Discover Bellevue's largest park and get lost in the wilderness while still in the city! This area is rich in history and wildlife.

**Distance:** 5 miles

**Elevation Change:** Moderate (380 feet elevation)

**Meeting Place:** *Redtown Trailhead (Cougar Mountain) on Lakemont Blvd SE.*

**Info:** 425-452-4195 or [lcvc@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lcvc@bellevuewa.gov).

## LEWIS CREEK TO LAKEMONT COMMUNITY PARK HIKE

October 19, 10:00 a.m. – Noon

This lovely trail winds through green corridors to connect two of Bellevue's most beautiful parks.

**Distance:** 5 miles

**Elevation Change:** Difficult (750 feet elevation)

**Meeting Place:** *Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

**Info:** 425-452-4195 or [lcvc@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lcvc@bellevuewa.gov).

## WEOWNA PARK HIKE

November 16, 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Bridges, waterfalls, and Bellevue's oldest trees live in Weowna Park. Explore this deep ravine that was restored using bioengineering techniques.

**Distance:** 3 miles

**Elevation Change:** Moderate (200 feet elevation)

**Meeting Place:** *168th Ave SE & 19th St. Limited Parking. Carpooling encouraged.*

**Info:** 425-452-4195 or [lcvc@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lcvc@bellevuewa.gov).

## SOUTH BELLEVUE GREEN SPACES HIKE

December 21, 10:00 a.m. – Noon

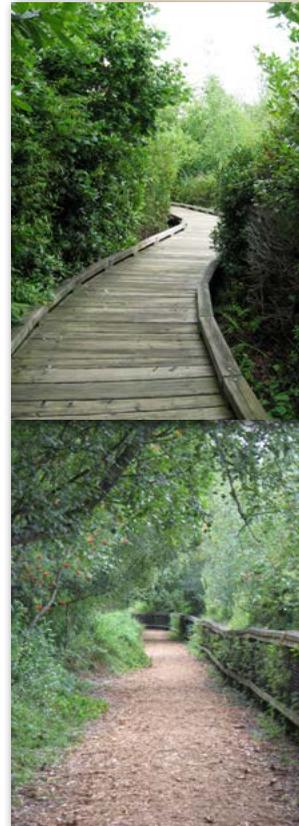
Explore the unknown trails of South Bellevue. Parks and open space ravines guide you (and wildlife!) through friendly neighborhoods.

**Distance:** 3 miles

**Elevation Change:** Difficult (350 feet elevation)

**Meeting Place:** *Lattawood Park, 4530 155th Ave SE*

**Info:** 425-452-4195 or [lcvc@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lcvc@bellevuewa.gov).



## WOOF WALKS IN NATURE

September 27 & December 6, 10 – 11 a.m.



### **Meet at the Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station (15416 SE 16th Street)**

Join a Park Ranger and discover fascinating ecological facts about Bellevue City Parks. Bring your dog and learn how you can both help the city steward these valuable lands. Please dress for the weather. Families are encouraged to attend. Dogs must be on a leash. Registration is required.

**Ages:** All. **Register:** 425-452-7225.

**Cost:** Suggested \$5 donation.

**Info:** 425-452-7225 or email: [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov)



*Photo by William Meyer*





# MERCER SLOUGH

## ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

*Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Avenue SE*

**Hours:** Daily, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. **Phone:** 425-452-2565

**Email:** [MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:MSEEC@bellevuewa.gov)

*Overlooking the 320 acre Mercer Slough Nature Park, the Visitor Center offers remarkable view of the forest canopy and swampy wetlands below. Inside, enjoy an interactive library and interpretive displays for adults and families. Park Rangers provide information and free weekly programs. Pick up trail maps, brochures, and program information today.*

## Family Discovery Series

### TREE WALK

Sunday, September 15 & 29, 2 – 3 p.m.

Come learn about the native trees in your neighborhood! We'll be going on a tree walk to learn how trees fit into our urban ecosystem, and why they're so valuable. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

### A "BATTY" AFTERNOON

Sunday, October 13 & 20, 2 – 3 p.m.

In recognition of Halloween, we'll be talking about bats! We'll learn about what species are here, their habits and habitats, and how we can help conserve these amazing creatures!

**Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).



### HERONS

Sunday, November 10 & 17, 2 – 3 p.m.

Did you know that the Mercer Slough Nature Park is home to a great blue heron rookery? We'll learn about what makes the Slough such a great home for these long-legged birds.

**Ages:** All ages are welcome. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

## BEAVERS – NATURE’S ARCHITECTS

Sunday, December 1 & 15, 2 – 3 p.m.

Did you know that you can find beavers at Mercer Slough? Learn about the beaver’s amazing adaptations, how they shape the habitat around them, and why Mercer Slough’s beavers are unique.

**Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).



## Movies

### NATURE: ANIMAL HOUSE

Friday, September 27, 5 – 6 p.m.

Some of the most amazing, creative, and innovative structures on earth are not man-made or urban at all, but residences built by animals in the natural world. Popcorn provided!

**Ages:** Best for ages 5+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

### NATURE: JUNGLE EAGLE

Friday, October 25, 5 – 6 p.m.

Harpy eagles are one of the most powerful birds of prey in the world. Standing three feet tall, with a six-foot wingspan and razor-sharp talons the size of bear claws, these birds are the heavyweight hunters of the South American rainforest. This film contains predator-prey interactions which may not be appropriate for some younger viewers. Popcorn provided!

**Ages:** Best for ages 7+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

### NATURE: MAGIC OF THE SNOWY OWL

Friday, November 29, 5 – 6 p.m.

Filmmakers take us deep into the snowy owl’s tundra home on the North Slope of Alaska to observe the daily struggles involved in raising a family of helpless owlets until they’re able to fly. Popcorn provided!

**Ages:** Best for ages 5+. **Cost:** FREE!

**Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).





## NATURE: CHRISTMAS IN YELLOWSTONE

Friday, December 27, 5 – 6 p.m.

NATURE presents Christmas in Yellowstone, a breathtaking look at wintertime deep within America's first national park. This film contains predator-prey interactions which may not be appropriate for some younger viewers. Popcorn provided!

**Ages:** Best for ages 7+. **Cost:** FREE!

**Registration:** Not required. Info: 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

## Adult Enrichment Series

### HOT TOPICS IN WA CONSERVATION: THE WILDERNESS ACT

Sunday, September 8, 2 – 3 p.m.

The Wilderness Act was signed into law in 1964 "In order to assure that an increasing population, accompanied by expanding settlement and growing mechanization, does not occupy and modify all areas within the United States. . .". Join us to learn about Washington State's wilderness areas, controversies, and the future of our wilderness lands.

**Ages:** Best for ages 12+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

### BIRD IDENTIFICATION

Sunday, October 6, 2 – 3 p.m.

Come learn some of the finer points of identifying the bird species of our area. We'll be discussing field marks, bird songs, and some good places to go birding nearby. We will focus on the birds of the Mercer Slough Nature Park.

**Ages:** Best for ages 12+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

### INVASIVE SPECIES

Sunday, November 3, 2 – 3 p.m.



Join us to learn about some of the invasive species in the Pacific Northwest. We'll be discussing which species are invasive, why they are problematic, and what can be done to stop them.

**Ages:** Best for ages 12+. **Cost:** FREE!

**Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).

# Canoe the Mercer Slough

## CANOE THE MERCER SLOUGH (RANGER-LED TRIP)

Saturdays & Sundays, May through September

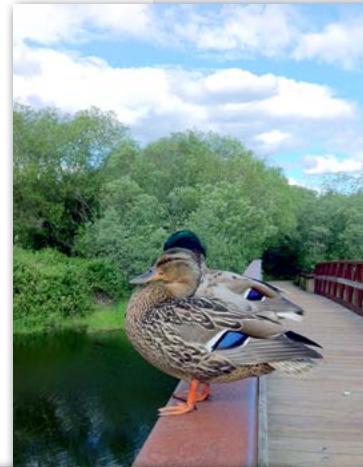
Explore the beautiful Mercer Slough Nature Park by water! Bellevue park rangers lead this 3-hour canoe trip from Enatai Beach Park. You'll see how this amazing ecosystem functions as you travel into the heart of Mercer Slough Nature Park, a 320 acre wetland. With a little luck, you may catch a glimpse of the otters, herons, turtles and other wildlife of Mercer Slough. Some paddling experience is required.

**Ages:** 5+ only.

**Cost:** \$16 Bellevue residents, \$18 non-residents.

**Register:** Visit [www.MyParksAndRecreation.com](http://www.MyParksAndRecreation.com) or call 425-452-2565.

**Info:** 425-452-2565 or [mseec@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mseec@bellevuewa.gov).





# LAKE HILLS GREENBELT

RANGER STATION

Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station, 15416 SE 16th Street

Hours: Tuesday – Saturday, 12 – 4p.m. Phone: 425-452-7225

Email: [ParkRangerProgram@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:ParkRangerProgram@bellevuewa.gov)

Surrounded by community farms, gardens, and beautiful wetlands, you will find interpretive displays, trails, environmental program information, and friendly Park Rangers to answer your questions.

## Family Discovery

### WHO'S THAT AT YOUR BIRDFEEDER?

October 18, 10 – 11 a.m.

Bring Mom or Dad and join a Park Ranger to find out who lives in your backyard and might visit your birdfeeder. You can make a birdfeeder to take home with your parent while the Ranger reads a story about birds. All children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Registration is required.

**Ages:** All. **Register:** 425-452-7225.

**Cost:** \$2 Resident; \$3 Non-Resident.

**Info:** 425-452-7225 or email: [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov)



### WHERE DO THE ANIMALS GO IN WINTER?

November 15, 10 – 11a.m.

Did you know that some animals spend winter somewhere else and that some come here? Some can even change color at different times of year! Join a Park Ranger and figure out where the animals go to spend winter. All children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Registration is required.

**Ages:** All. **Register:** 425-452-7225.

**Cost:** \$2 Resident; \$3 Non-Resident.

**Info:** 425-452-7225 or email: [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov)



# Community Garden Programs

## P-PATCH PROGRAM

The City of Bellevue offers P-Patches (community garden plots) at two locations: the Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station & the Crossroads Park Par-3 Golf Course. Most plots measure approximately 400 square feet water is supplied on-site. ADA raised garden plots are available upon request. Seasonal P-Patches are open from April – October 2013. Interested gardeners please contact Laura Harper for more information and to be added to our mailing list.

**Contact:** Laura Harper at 425-452-7225 or email [LHarper@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:LHarper@bellevuewa.gov).



## MASTER GARDENER PROGRAMS

April – October, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

Lake Hills Greenbelt Demonstration Garden Consult a Master Gardener about all aspects of plant care, choosing seeds, disease, propagation, identification, and more!



- 9/7 *Late Summer and Fall Blooming Perennials* Janel Garnett, Master Gardener
- 9/14 *Harvest Festival* King County Master Gardeners
- 9/21 *Winterize Your Garden* Joan Helbacka, Master Gardener
- 9/28 *Coming Up Bulbs* Barbara Flynn, Master Gardener

10/5 *Everlastings – Growing, Harvesting, Using in Decorations* Bonny Nordgren, Master Gardener

10/12 *Bonsai Scarlet* Gore, Senior Bonsai Gardener, Pacific Rim Bonsai Collection

10/19 *Plants for Winter Interest* Joan Helbacka, Master Gardener

For more information visit us online:

<http://gardening.wsu.edu> or [www.mgfk.org](http://www.mgfk.org); or email the Demonstration Garden at [bellevuedemo@hotmail.com](mailto:bellevuedemo@hotmail.com). For workshop information please contact Pat Naselow at 425-531-1694 or [pnaselow@gmail.com](mailto:pnaselow@gmail.com). For guided tour information, gardening clubs and children's groups, please contact Mary Osborne: 425-485-5942.



# LEWIS CREEK

## VISITOR CENTER

*Lewis Creek Visitor Center, 5808 Lakemont Blvd SE*

**Hours:** Wednesday - Sunday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. **Phone:** 425-452-4195

**Email:** [lcvc@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lcvc@bellevuewa.gov)

*This beautiful park offers ample opportunity to wander through forests, meadows, and wetlands. Come inside the Visitor Center to pick up trail and park maps for the area, attend a Natural Resource program, or simply enjoy the relaxing atmosphere.*

## Family Discovery Series

### Story Time

Look, listen and create during an hour of stories and crafts with a park ranger on the 1st Friday of every month. Parents and children will explore together the diverse animal world with animated fiction and fun. All children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Registration is required.

**Ages:** 3+. **Cost:** \$2 Resident; \$3 Non-Resident. **Register** at 425-452-6885.

**Info:** 425-452-4195.

#### ADVENTURES OF RILEY: SURVIVAL OF THE SALMON

September 6, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Join Riley and Alice as they attempt to crack a fishy mystery. Why are Pacific Salmon thriving while North Atlantic Salmon are endangered? We always make a fun craft to take home.

**Course #:** 75865, 75867



#### A LOG'S LIFE

October 4, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Learn about the life cycle of a tree, as well as the forest ecosystem, and be inspired to investigate trees in your own backyard! We always make a fun craft to take home!

**Course #:** 75868, 75869

## THE VERY BEST BED

November 1, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Where should the gray squirrel sleep? Go along as he searches for the very best bed. We always make a fun craft to take home.

**Course #:** 75873, 75874

## WHO LIVES IN THE SNOW?

December 6, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Find out what goes on beneath the surface of the glistening snow. We always make a fun craft to take home! **Course #:** 75875, 75876



# Explorers' Club

## GREEN HOUR

September 21, October 19, November 16, December 21,  
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Join us the 3rd Saturday of every month from 1 – 2pm for a Green Hour at Lewis Creek Park! Observe and explore the park during an hour of unstructured play and interaction with the natural world. Each month, creative, science-based ideas will have children and parents deepening their knowledge and love of nature together!

**Ages:** 5+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not Required. Info: 425-452-4195.

## THE FOOD CHAIN

September 14, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

All living things depend on each other to survive. Who do you depend on? Learn about the web of life as you create your very own food chain model to take home! Registration required.

**Ages:** 6+. **Cost:** \$2 Resident; \$3 Non-Resident.

**Register** at 425-452-6885. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**Course #:** 75881

## COLORFUL FALL: WHY DO THE LEAVES CHANGE?

October 12, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Every fall a beautiful, but mysterious event occurs. The trees become brilliant shades of red, yellow, orange and brown, why does this change happen? Learn what makes deciduous trees lose their leaves, and why it is beneficial.

**Ages:** 5+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not Required.

**Info:** 425-452-4195.



## OWL PROWL

October 25, 7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Discover what owl species live in the Pacific Northwest. Then take a night hike with the Rangers to look for owls and other nocturnal wildlife in the park. Bring a flashlight or headlamp, as well as good shoes, for the journey! Registration required.

**Ages:** 6+. **Cost:** \$5 Resident; \$6 Non-Resident. **Register** at 425-452-6885.

**Info:** 425-452-4195. **Course #:** 75883



## NIGHT HIKE

November 8, 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

When the sun sets and the dark sets in Lewis Creek comes alive! Learn about the different nocturnal and crepuscular species that call Bellevue home, and join a Ranger on a hike through the woods after dark! Bring a flashlight or headlamp, as well as good shoes and warm clothes, for the journey! Registration required.

**Ages:** 5+. **Cost:** \$2 Resident; \$3 Non-Resident.

**Register** at 425-452-6885. **Info:** 425-452-4195. **Course #:** 75884

## HIBERNATION PAJAMA PARTY

December 13, 7:30p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Come learn about animals that hibernate, as well as other ways of surviving the winter. Make sure to bring your PJ's and a blanket or pillow as we settle in for the winter! Registration required.

**Ages:** 5+. **Cost:** \$2 Resident; \$3 Non-Resident.

**Register** at 425-452-6885. **Info:** 425-452-4195. **Course #:** 75885

## WILD TRACKS

December 28, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Walk with a park ranger through Lewis Creek looking for signs of wildlife: tracks, scat, rubbings, tunnels, etc. Each child will make and take home a plaster track! Registration required.

**Ages:** 6+. **Cost:** \$2 Resident; \$3 Non-Resident. **Register** at 425-452-6885.

**Info:** 425-452-4195. **Course #:** 75886

# Children's Movies

Kids! Join us for fun, educational nature movies at Lewis Creek! Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Registration:** Not required. **Cost:** FREE! **Info:** 425-452-4195.

## BUILD IT BEAVER

September 8, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Join the adventures of the Kratt brothers as they meet up with cool creatures from around the world. Each episode is an adventure that also features how animals use science in their natural lives. Running time is 30 minutes.

## GROWING UP WILD: IT'S A HOOT

October 13, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

From falcons and eagles to owls, find out how baby animals spend the day with their families. Growing up Wild gives fun and entertaining insight into the animal kingdom. Running time is 30 minutes.

## PENGUINS ON PARADE

November 10, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Learn about growing up as a flightless bird. Growing up Wild gives fun and entertaining insight into the animal kingdom. Running time is 30 minutes.

## STRANGER IN THE WOODS

December 8, 2 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Venture into the woods and learn about animals that call the forest home, as well as a mysterious stranger! Running time is 30 minutes.



# Adult Enrichment Series



## HOT TOPICS IN WASHINGTON STATE: OWLS

October 20, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.

In recent history a new species of owl has moved into Washington State, while there have been more frequent sightings of another species that usually stays further north. Come find out whom these creatures are, their habits, and how their habits can affect other species.

**Ages:** 10+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-4195.

## ANIMAL ART

December 15, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Draw and sketch different Pacific Northwest species from a collection of wildlife mounts! There is no other way to capture the magnificence of these creatures so close up and so still. Mounts, newsprint, and charcoal pencils provided. Challenge your artistic talents while learning about the natural history of the area you live in. Registration required.

**Ages:** 8+. **Cost:** \$4 Resident; \$5 Non-Resident.

**Register** at 425-452-6885. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

**Course #** 75891

## Living With Wildlife Series

How do I get the deer to stop eating my rose bushes? What do I do about mountain beavers in my yard? Just how smart are those crows and ravens going through my garbage? How fortunate we are to live in a city full of wildlife! But this also leaves us with the responsibility of learning how to live with our furry and feathered neighbors. Learn about the wildlife that lives in and around Bellevue and how to live in harmony with wild animals.

## MOUNTAIN BEAVERS

September 22, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.

Not all beavers build dams! Come learn about another more primitive rodent cousin to the North American Beaver that burrows instead of builds. Mountain beavers are not well known, but can create conflict due to their burrows. Learn how to identify signs of these elusive creatures, and how to prevent possible damage.

**Ages:** 10+. **Cost:** FREE! **Registration:** not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.



## BOBCATS

November 17, 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.

How can you tell the difference between a bobcat and a cougar or a housecat? Like most felines, bobcats are reclusive and sneaky, but they are out there! Find out how to recognize these short-tailed cats, and learn if they are feline friends or feline fiends.

**Ages:** 10+. **Cost:** FREE!

**Registration:** Not required.

**Info:** 425-452-4195.

## Film Series

**Ages:** 12+. **Cost:** FREE! Donations gratefully accepted.

**Registration:** Not required. **Info:** 425-452-4195.

### A MURDER OF CROWS

September 1, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Crows are widely thought of as nuisance animals, but recent research has given new insight to the minds of crows. Gain a new understanding of these social animals and their stunning mental capabilities; including facial recognition! Running time is 60 minutes.



### WOLVES: A LEGEND RETURNS TO YELLOWSTONE

October 6, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Wolves were hunted to near extinction, but conservation efforts helped to give them a comeback. Learn about the profound impact that the return of these animals to Yellowstone had on the whole park. Running time is 55 minutes.

### PALE MALE

November 3, 2 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

“Pale Male” was the name given to a vivacious male red-tailed hawk that took up residence on Fifth Avenue in New York City. Follow along as he courts a mate, builds a penthouse nest, raises and protects his chicks, and teaches them to thrive in the ultimate urban environment. Running time is 60 minutes.

### CHRISTMAS IN YELLOWSTONE

December 1, 2 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Celebrate the beauty of winter in one of the world’s most spectacular settings; Yellowstone National Park. Watch as the animals do their best to survive the winter and enjoy the beauty of geysers in the snow. Running time is 52 minutes.



# VISITOR CENTERS

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***Mercer Slough Environmental  
Education Center***  
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1625 118th Avenue SE

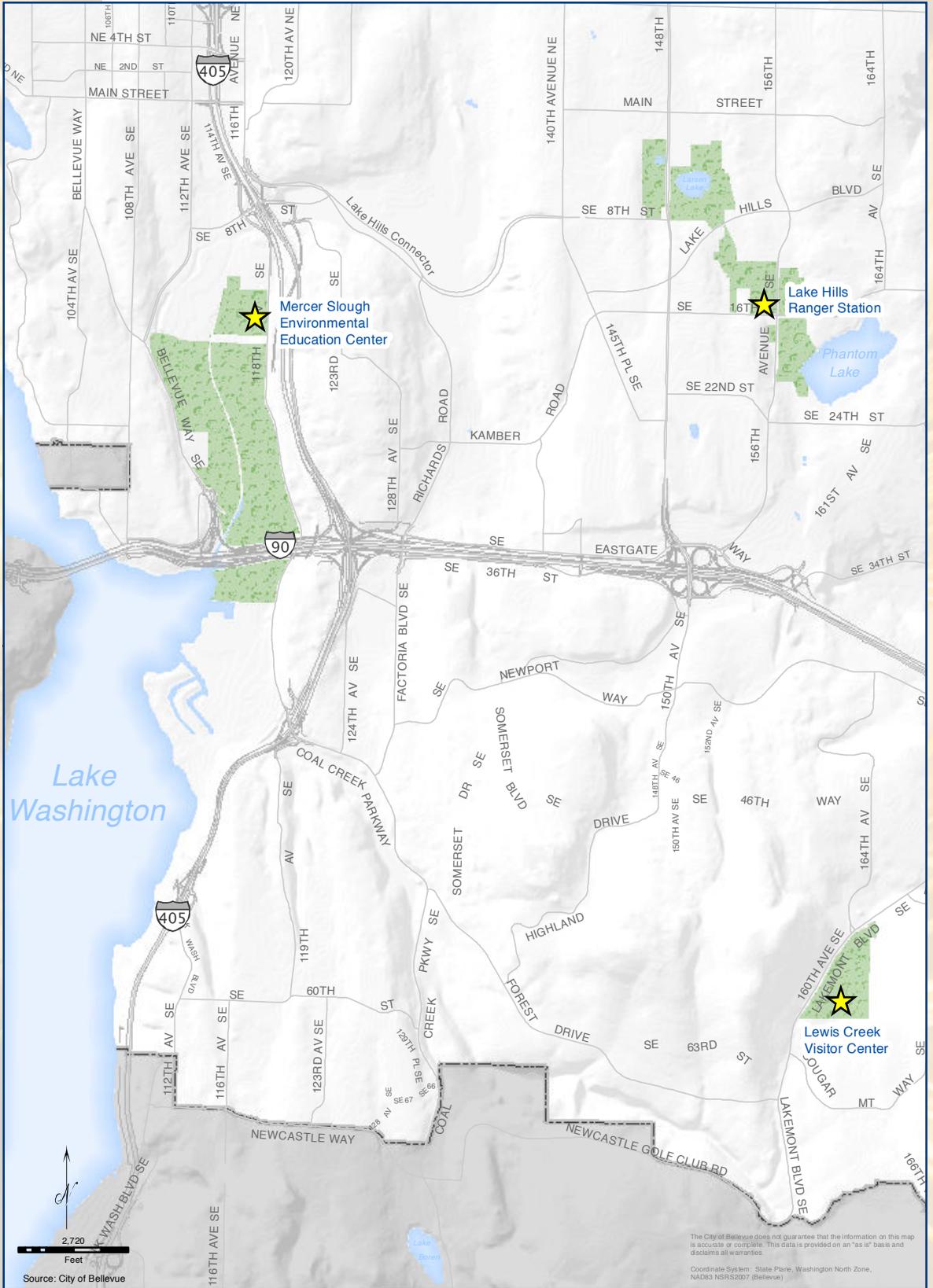


***Lake Hills Greenbelt  
Ranger Station***  
425-452-7225  
15416 SE 16th Street  
(15500 SE 16th Street:  
Parking Location)



***Lewis Creek Visitor Center***  
425-452-4195  
5808 Lakemont Blvd SE

# MAP



## Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center

425-452-2565

1625 118th Avenue SE

## Lake Hills Greenbelt Ranger Station

425-452-7225

15416 SE 16th Street

15500 SE 16th Street: Parking Location

## Lewis Creek Visitor Center

425-452-4195

5808 Lakemont Blvd SE



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