



APRIL 2017

MONDAY, APRIL 3

7:30-9:00 PM Farrand Hall

Exploring Farming, Foraging, and Daily Life in the Moche World

With speaker Dana Bardolph, UCSB

Analysis of data from recent excavations reveals how shifts in ancient agricultural strategies influenced the development of political complexity in the Moche world. Presented by the Santa Barbara County Archaeological Society. Admission is free. Information: tkennedy@sbnature2.org or 805-682-4711 ext. 141.

SATURDAYS, APRIL 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

***April 22, our Sea Center program will be showcased at Alameda Park for the CEC's Earth Day Festival. Come join us at our Earth Day Booth in the Kid-Zone for special hands on activities.**

1:00-3:00 PM SEA CENTER

Portal to the Planet

The ocean defines our world: It shapes the surface of our planet and supports all life on Earth. Today, humans have the chance to shape the health of the ocean for the better! Join us at the Investigation Station to see how the chemistry of ocean water is changing and impacting shelled marine life, and discover some of the innovative ways communities are making smarter choices for the health of the ocean! Fun for all ages. FREE with paid admission to the Sea Center. Information: Call Jackie Hunt at 805-962-2526 ext. 110 or jhunt@sbnature2.org

SUNDAY, APRIL 9

9:00 AM-NOON Sedgwick Reserve

NOON- 1:00 PM Bring your own lunch and have a picnic! (Optional)

Field Trip: Birds and Bloom Hike

Enjoy this year's potentially spectacular wildflower bloom and seasonal birding on this special hike with field experts, Ethnobotanist Dr. Jan Timbrook and Birding Naturalist Rebecca Coulter on this exclusive opportunity at the UC Sedgwick Reserve. Appreciate the lush landscape with a 3-hour interpretive walk highlighting the local flora and fauna brought out by the recent record rainfall. Bring your own picnic lunch to enjoy after our morning hike. Members \$45; non-members \$50 Pre-registration required; limited enrollment. To register, please go to <https://www.sbnature.org/tickets/eventdetail.php?eventid=233>
Information: Call Stefanie Coleman at 805-682-4711 ext. 170 or scoleman@sbnature2.org.

MONDAY, APRIL 10

6:30-8:00 PM Dargan's Irish Pub & Restaurant

Science Pub: Secret Sex Lives of Rattlesnakes

Featuring Dr. Emily Taylor, Associate Professor at California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo

Dr. Taylor will take listeners on a journey into the secret sex lives of rattlesnakes, explaining how recent technology has allowed scientists to peer into the otherwise hidden world of how snakes meet up, hook up, and make babies. She'll discuss her lab's research on hormones and reproduction in rattlesnakes; but also vignettes from other scientists including how male rattlesnakes fight and woo females, how mothers care for their babies, and even how females can give birth without needing mates at all. Admission is free. For more information please contact Stefanie Coleman at 805-682-4711 ext. 170 or scoleman@sbnature2.org.

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

10:00 AM-5:00 PM Mission Creek Campus

Family Nature Day

Enjoy FREE admission and discover the fun and wonder of nature as you explore The Museum Backyard and Nature Club House. Information: jcanty@sbnature2.org.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

5:30-7:30 PM Mission Creek Campus

Cocktails with a Curator: A Discovery of Mammoth Proportions

In 2014, the skull of a mammoth was discovered on Santa Rosa Island. These rare skeletal remains sat below the earth's surface for 13,000 years before they were discovered and brought to the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. Scientists believe this fossil could be one of the most intact mammoth skulls to ever be excavated. Join us as we dig deeper into the mystery of fossils and the Santa Rosa Island mammoth. Guest will enjoy specialty cocktails, appetizers and make their own 'Mammoth,' discovery.

Participating Curators: Paul Collins, M.S. Curator of Vertebrate Zoology, Don Morris, Retired Archaeologist for Channel Islands National Park, and Jenna Rolle, M.S. Geosciences Specialist. Open to all Museum Members. Ticket Price: \$35. FREE for Naturalist Level (\$150) and above Members. Members of the Naturalist level and above call 805-682-4711 ext. 114 or lorsua@sbnature2.org to reserve space. Space is limited.

Not a Naturalist level Member? Upgrade today.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

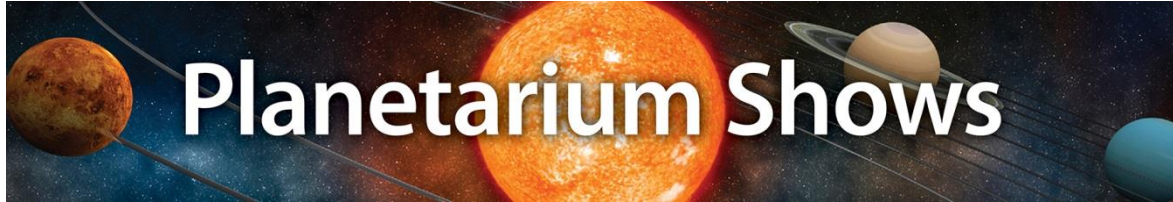
Ages 4-7: 10:30-11:30AM and 1:15-2:15PM

Ages 8-14: 11:45AM-12:45PM and 2:30-3:30PM

Mission Creek Campus

BranchOut: Nature Escape Room Event

BranchOut designs activities that give kids an experience in nature they will never forget. Modeled off the popular "escape room" movement, games are brought to life where kids are the heroes on a quest to solve an environmental mission before time runs out. Guardians are encouraged to participate with their child in this family event; all participating guardians/adults must also reserve a spot when signing up. Space is limited. Pre-registration required. Sign up at www.sbnature.org/tickets. Information: jcanty@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)