

ARDENWOOD HISTORIC FARM NATURALIST PROGRAMS JUNE 2024



All programs meet at the Farmyard unless otherwise noted.

TODDLER TIME

10:30-11:45am, Wednesday, June 5, 19

Bring the tots out for an exciting morning at the farm. Hear a story, do some chores, and meet some farm friends. Little ones will enjoy a variety of activities at their own pace. We'll meet rain or shine!

HISTORIC DAYS

10am-4pm, Thursday, Friday & Sunday,

Ride a narrow-gauge train, tour the beautifully restored Patterson House Museum, and join park staff in historic costume for programs and activities throughout the day. Farmyard programs start at 10:30am and end with an animal feeding at 3pm.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENT



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Interpretive Staff

10am-4pm, Thursday, July 4

Join us for a fun-filled community festival, 1900-style! Celebrate the United States of America's 248th birthday with music, games, and activities for everyone all day long. Bring a picnic or grab a bite at the Farmyard Café and spend the day the old-fashioned way!

Fee: \$10.00/adults, \$8.00/seniors (62+), \$5.00/children (4-17), under 4 years free.

Park Hours:

Tuesday-Sunday, 10am-4pm

Closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day

Open Memorial Day, July 4th, and Labor Day

Entry Fees:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday

\$4/adults (18+ years)

\$3/seniors (62+ years)

\$2/children (4-17 years)

Under 4 years-free

Thursday, Friday & Sunday

\$6/adults (18+ years)

\$5/seniors (62+ years)

\$4/children (4-17 years)

Under 4 years-free

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Program Key



Wheelchair accessible
Online registration
ebparks.com

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Healthy Parks Healthy People programs offer low impact exercise.



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ONGOING PROGRAM

ANIMAL FEEDING 🍴

3pm, Thursday through Sunday

Check for eggs and feed the livestock. Learn all the animals' favorite foods as we help tuck them in for the evening. Meet at the Granary.

RIDE THE RAILS - TRAIN RIDES 🚂

Various times, Thursday, Friday & Sunday

Railroads once connected many of the farms with towns in the East Bay. Today they still run around the farm. Journey past rows of crops and through eucalyptus groves as you travel back in time. Check the daily schedule and meet the train at Arden Station or Deer Park.

PATTERSON HOUSE TOURS 🏠

Various times, Every Thursday, Friday & Sunday

Tour the beautifully restored Patterson House Museum. Discover the history of this 19-room Queen Anne Victorian farmhouse listed on the National Register of Historic Places which operates as a museum of local history and turn-of-the-last century life. Tours are led by docents dressed in 19th century clothing. Check for availability at the Train Station upon your arrival.

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INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS

FARMYARD STORY TIME 📖

10:30-11am, Saturday, June 1, 8; Sunday, June 30

Perhaps you'll meet Woolbur, the Billy Goats Gruff or other farm friends! Join the story circle for some barnyard tales before visiting the main characters.

GARDEN CHORES FOR KIDS

11:30am-12:30pm, Saturday, June 1, 8

Our garden has been growing! Lend a hand weeding, watering and planting our healthy vegetables. Discover the secrets of heirloom vegetables. We might even taste a few!

RABBIT RENDEZVOUS

2-2:30pm, Saturday, June 1, Sunday, June 30

Hop on over for a warm welcome from some of the farm's furriest residents. Learn why rabbits are great hoppers and how they use their long ears to sense danger.

MEET THE CHICKENS 🐔

10:30-11am, Sunday, June 2, 16; Saturday, June 22

Check out our coop full of chickens! Discover why they like to roam around the farmyard and scratch and peck at the ground while you feed them a little snack.

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THE HOLE DONUT 🍩

11am-noon, Sunday, June 2

Who doesn't love donuts? Learn a little history about this punctured pastry and discover how to bake or fry them using our wood-burning stove.

BEGINNING EMBROIDERY 🧵

1-2pm, Sunday, June 2, 30

Victorians loved to embroider, and you will too! Learn some basic embroidery stitches and you will be able to decorate all sorts of cloth objects. Training materials supplied.

LEARN THE ROPES

2-2:30pm, Sunday, June 2

Make rope with our antique machine, then lend a hand hoisting hay bales into the barn loft.

STILTS!

1:30-2:30pm, Saturday, June 8

Want to be taller? Improve your balance? Give stilts a try. It's fun! Guess why farmers used these fun tools in the past.

WAKE UP THE FARM 🍳

10:30-11am, Sunday, June 9, 23; Saturday, June 15, 29

Rise and shine little farmers! Say "Good morning!" to the sheep and goats and lend a hand as we prepare a morning snack for the farm animals.

WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM! 🍦

11am-noon, Sunday, June 9;

1:30-2:30pm, Saturday, June 29

Put together some ice, salt, cream, sugar, then add a little muscle power and learn how delicious old-fashioned ice cream is made. Learn the tasty history of this popular treat.



HISTORIC HAY HARVEST

1-2:30pm, Sunday, June 9, 16, 23

Join in the fun of an old-fashioned hay harvest! Help load the freshly mown hay and haul it back to build a big stack. We'll discover the difference between hay and straw as we bring in this year's crop.

CATTLE CORNER

11:30am-12:30pm, Saturday, June 15, 29

Curious about cows? Join us as we talk about these bovine beauties, play games, and check in with our farmer on why cows are such important animals to have on the farm.

AFTERNOON FUN & GAMES

1:30-2:30pm, Saturday, June 15, 22

Life on a farm wasn't all work and no play. Join us for some old-fashioned fun! Try your hand at classic American pastimes including stilts, tug-of-war and the potato-spoon race.

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SWEET AS HONEY 🐝

11am-noon, Sunday, June 16

For thousands of years, people have been enjoying bees' sweet treat. Stop by the Country Kitchen to taste some honey and sample a treat hot from the stove.

GARDEN BUG SAFARI

11:30am-12:30pm, Saturday, June 22

Stop by the Kitchen Garden near the Patterson House to join in some tiny-game hunting and learn about the many amazing arthropods we can find under our feet.

WAX: IT'S THE BEE'S KNEES! 🐝

11am-noon, Sunday, June 23

What's the buzz about bees? Beeswax! This secretion of waxiness is important to both bees and humans. Illuminate your mind as you make a candle and taste some Ardenwood honey.

FUN WITH FELTING 🐝

11am-noon, Sunday, June 30

Have some good, clean fun as we learn how felt is made from sheep's wool, and then make a felt toy to take home.



UPCOMING TRAIN EVENT

ARDENWOOD HAUNTED TRAIN

October 18, 19, 20; October 25, 26, 27

TICKETS go on sale Sunday, September 15 at 8 am at www.Eventbrite.com



JOIN US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Ardenwood is on Facebook and Instagram—find us there for program updates, educational information, photos of cute animals, and more!



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JUNE 2024 – WEEKENDS

JUNE 1 , SATURDAY	JUNE 2, SUNDAY
10:30-11am – Farmyard Story Time 11:30am-12:30pm – Garden Chores for Kids 2-2:30pm – Rabbit Rendezvous 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Meet the Chickens 11am-noon – The Hole Donut 1-2pm – Beginning Embroidery 2-2:30pm – Learn the Ropes 3pm – Animal Feeding
JUNE 8, SATURDAY	JUNE 9, SUNDAY
10:30-11am – Farmyard Story Time 11:30am-12:30pm – Garden Chores for Kids 1:30-2:30pm – Stilts! 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Wake Up the Farm 11am-noon – We All Scream for Ice Cream! 1-2:30pm – Historic Hay Harvest 3pm – Animal Feeding
JUNE 15, SATURDAY	JUNE 16, SUNDAY
10:30-11am – Wake Up the Farm 11:30am-12:30pm – Cattle Corner 1:30-2:30pm – Afternoon Fun & Games 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Meet the Chickens 11am-noon – Sweet As Honey 1-2:30pm – Historic Hay Harvest 3pm – Animal Feeding
JUNE 22, SATURDAY	JUNE 23, SUNDAY
10:30-11am – Meet the Chickens 11:30am-12:30pm – Garden Bug Safari 1:30-2:30pm – Afternoon Fun & Games 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Wake Up the Farm 11am-noon – Wax: It’s the Bee’s Knees! 1-2:30pm – Historic Hay Harvest 3pm – Animal Feeding
JUNE 29, SATURDAY	JUNE 30, SUNDAY
10:30-11am – Wake Up the Farm 11:30am-12:30pm – Cattle Corner 1:30-2:30pm – We All Scream for Ice Cream! 3pm – Animal Feeding	10:30-11am – Farmyard Story Time 11am-noon – Fun with Felting 1-2pm – Beginning Embroidery 2-2:30pm – Rabbit Rendezvous 3pm – Animal Feeding