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COMMUNITY PUMPKIN CARVING **NEW!**

B.Y.O.P: Bring your own pumpkin.

Ages 0-99. Do you love to carve pumpkins? Does your driveway or apartment make it difficult for others to see your masterpiece? We want YOU! Help us line the path at our annual Haunted Hayride Event, bring a pumpkin on down to Battle Point Park to carve with your neighbors, friends and family! Afterwards, your pumpkin will be displayed along the path of the hayride for all to see. Carving tools, hot beverages and snacks provided. Participants under 13 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Meet at Battle Point Park Picnic Shelter.

541001-01 Sa 10:00a-12:00p 10/20 FREE

PARENT/CHILD



PRESCHOOL LADYBUG NATURE WALKS

Ages 2-4 with an adult. Grab your boots, bundle up and get out of the house! Preschoolers and their adult will explore seasonal changes in the natural world around Bainbridge. Each walk is led by Park staff, with several activities, and something created together to take home. An additional adult or child of the correct age \$5. Walks meet at Prue's House in the Grand Forest East and are 60 minutes. HT

AUTUMN RAINBOW

Meet for a colorful meadow stroll through nature's rainbow of fall colors!

571801-01	F	10:00-11:00a	9/21	\$15 pair
02	F	10:00-11:00a	9/21	\$5 additional

HIDDEN POND NEW!

Gather for forest fun & curiosities along this little-known loop trail leading to pond discovery!

571802-07	F	10:00-11:00a	10/12	\$15 pair
08	F	10:00-11:00a	10/12	\$5 additional

SO MANY, MANY MUSHROOMS

Join us to discover what's going on with all these forest mushrooms!

571803-03	F	10:00-11:00a	11/2	\$15 pair
04	F	10:00-11:00a	11/2	\$5 additional

PRESCHOOL SOUND BEGINNINGS MUSIC CLASS

Ages 0-4 with a parent. Folk songs, classical tunes, storybooks and finger plays help preschool children develop literacy and music skills with fun parent interaction. Now that's a sound beginning for your child! Gina Weibel AQ



WITH ONE CHILD

571806-01	Th	10:30-11:00a	9/13-10/25	\$100**
03	Th	10:30-11:00a	11/1-12/13*	\$90**

FAMILY

571807-01	Th	10:30-11:00a	9/13-10/25	\$130**
03	Th	10:30-11:00a	11/1-12/13*	\$120**

*No class 11/22 Thanksgiving

**+one-time \$30 materials fee for book/instrument/cd

PARENT/CHILD SEWING CIRCLE

Ages 7-adult. Adults and young people of any skill level will have fun sewing together for 90 uninterrupted minutes in the roomy space at the Aquatics Center. No experience necessary. Brought to you by Lindsey Ramirez and the folks from Sew Crafty. 5 wks. AQ, Nakata Rm. A



570220-09	Th	6:00-7:30p	9/27-10/25	\$120**
10	Th	6:00-7:30p	11/1-12/6*	\$120**

*No class 11/22 Thanksgiving week

**\$20 materials fee payable to instructor at first class.

PARENT/CHILD/TEEN POTTERY FUN AGES 5-17 SEE PAGE 23

PARENT/CHILD GLASS FUN Ages 8-16 see page 23

WHEELS IN THE WOODS

Come join us for a journey on our beautiful and accessible trails. For people who use a wheelchair or scooter and want to get out into our parks. This group operates via email to select the day and time that work for the most members. We always have at least one able bodied person with us, in case we run into difficulties, except when we go to Fort Ward Park or Battle Point Park, where the trails are either paved or packed gravel. To be added to the email list, please email Marsha Cutting at mcutting@gmail.com.



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WILDERNESS PROGRAMS

“The farther one gets into the wilderness, the greater the attraction of its lonely freedom.” – Theodore Roosevelt

Remote, rugged, undeveloped. Wilderness is a land heritage that is uniquely American. With passage of the Wilderness Act of 1964, Americans chartered a new course in world history to preserve and protect some of the country’s last remaining wild places. The United States was the first country in the world to designate wilderness areas through law. In the words of Pulitzer novelist Wallace Stegner: “Something will have gone out of us as a people if we ever let the remaining wilderness be destroyed.” Come join us and experience our unique wild heritage.

FAQS

GENERAL — Our wilderness trips offer one-of-a-kind experience, rewarding participants with the very best that the backcountry has to offer. A detailed email will be sent out approximately a week before the start of each program, with information on where to meet, what to bring, weather forecast, medical waivers, emergency contacts, and more.

TRIP LEADERS — Our trip leaders are **Wilderness First Responder or Wilderness EMT trained professionals** who bring a wealth of backcountry medical knowledge, years of outdoor experience, and emergency response equipment on every hike. They are highly qualified, knowledgeable, and awesome to hike with.

THE OUTDOOR GEARBANK — Don’t let a lack of gear stop you. Participants can use our equipment for free! Our Outdoor Gearbank has backpacks, tents, sleeping pads, snowshoes, rain gear, and much more available to borrow for free.

PHYSICAL FITNESS — Participants need to be physically fit for each trip’s unique challenges. Mileage is round-trip, terrain and trails vary. The District reserves the right to require a doctor’s note to clear a participant for participation.

PRICING — An incredible value for the amount of time, preparation, and quality expertise that go into each trip. Pricing includes trip leader, guiding time, gear, transportation, fuel, permits, emergency response equipment, and park entrance fees. Food and snacks are included for multi-day trips. The **Wilderness Day Hikes** have a special progressive discount that’s applied on all hikes and reset each calendar year.

TRANSPORTATION — The District’s 15-passenger vehicles are used for most wilderness trips, allowing easier and more comfortable access along backcountry roads. If the route includes a ferry, participants should bring their ferry pass or a way to pay their passenger fee. We cover the vehicle fare.

EQUIPMENT — Participants are responsible for providing their own personal clothing and equipment, but our Outdoor Gearbank may have items that can be borrowed for free. Inquire with your trip leader so they can help you get set up for success.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES — Registration deadline is three days before program start date. This allows us to effectively communicate with participants about any needs we can help accommodate as well as ensure each trip is a good fit. It is helpful and saves time to have participant waivers, medical information, and other forms turned in beforehand. The District reserves the right to require a doctor’s note to clear a participant for participation.

REFUNDS — For questions about refunds, please see page 4. If weather or road closures cancel a trip, a pro-rated credit will be refunded for the missed day.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT RANGER SCIACCA — Wilderness Program Coordinator, at rangers@biparks.org



WILDERNESS DAY HIKES

Ages 10-99. Come explore the great outdoors! We’ll visit some of the most beautiful spots around — lush river canyons, open wildflower meadows, breathtaking ridge top views, and sparkling alpine lakes. Meet at SHP, usually at 8:00 am; most trips return 6-8 pm. Mileages are round-trip. Participants under 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For questions about refunds, please see page 4.

HIKE MORE, SAVE MORE!

Pick dates according to what works for your own schedule! For every hike after the first, a progressive discount will be applied, counting towards all Wilderness Day Hikes for the remainder of the calendar year.

1st hike = \$69; 2nd hike = \$66; 3rd hike = \$63; 4th hike = \$60; 5th+ hike = \$57

531909-01	Su	9/16	Spray Park at Mt. Rainier	
	02	Su	9/30	Glacier Basin at Mt. Rainier
	03	Th	10/11	Naches Peak Loop and Dewey Lake
	04	Su	10/21	Sunrise Ridge
	05	W	11/7	Staircase Rapids Loop
	06	Sa	11/24	Post-Thanksgiving at Lake Crescent

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DAY HIKING

The best of wilderness in one day.
Mileage is listed as round-trip.

SPRAY PARK AT MT. RAINIER

~8 mi **~1,900 ft elev. gain**
All the way up at 6,400ft, Spray Park features open rolling meadows and up-close views of Rainier. Fall is a good time to go — huckleberry bushes are turning bright red, and we'll avoid the summer crowds!

GLACIER BASIN AT MT. RAINIER **NEW!**

~7.5 mi **~1,800 ft elev. gain**
Hike to the foot of Rainier's largest glacier on the Emmons Moraine trail! Incredible views of the glacier sweeping down all the way from the summit to you. Then we'll continue up to glacier basin's wide meadows and abundant wildlife — look for gray foxes!

NACHES PEAK LOOP AND DEWEY LAKE **NEW!**

~6.5 mi **~1,200 ft elev. gain**
Start your trip on the crest of the Cascades at stunning 5,432 ft Chinook Pass. Views of Rainier on one side, and a deep valley headed toward Yakima on the other. Stroll along the PCT on an easy loop on the flanks of Naches Peak, and take a side trip to big blue Dewey Lake, a popular PCT campsite.

SUNRISE RIDGE **NEW!**

~6.6 mi **~1,200 ft elev. gain**
This trip is all about ridgeline walks and panoramic views. We'll start from the Hurricane Ridge Visitor Center and follow the rolling ups and downs of Sunrise Ridge. At Victor Pass, the junction of Sunrise and Klahhane Ridge, we'll enjoy incredible views out to the Straits of Juan de Fuca.

STAIRCASE RAPIDS LOOP

~7 mi **~700 ft elev. gain**
This trail features miles of towering Douglas fir trees, rocky riverside overlooks, tumbling rapids and luxuriant undergrowth. We'll also see the remains of a gargantuan cedar tree and cross an amazing suspension bridge. 7mi, 600 ft

POST-THANKSGIVING AT LAKE CRESCENT **NEW!**

~8 mi **~500 ft elev. gain**
A trip of serene beauty. We'll hike the north shore of the sparkling sapphire Lake Crescent, where we'll stay near the water's edge, soaking in the views. The picturesque lake is cut sharply into the mountains and offers a unique perspective of the Olympics. Then we'll visit the Lake Crescent Lodge and walk among huge old-growth Douglas firs on our way to picturesque Marymere Falls, a graceful 90' cascade over moss-covered rocks.

FAMILY & ADULT BACKPACKING

Fully guided and supported trips into the best of the backcountry. We strongly recommend that all backpacking participants first take our Backpacking 101 class.

BACKPACKING 101

Ages 8-99. Are you interested in backpacking? In this hands-on class, you'll get to practice the basic skills and learn what gear you need to get started. We'll cover trip planning, safety and safety equipment; we'll practice setting up tents, stoves, and water filters; we'll learn how to pack a backpack, what to bring, and much, much more. SHC

531900-01 T 6:00-8:30p 10/16 \$39

ROCK CLIMBING

Emphasizing strength, endurance, balance, and flexibility, rock climbing is more than just a workout: it challenges your mind and your body. All climbing programs are facilitated by experienced instructors from Island Rock Gym. Registration deadline for most climbing programs is three days before begin date. For questions about refunds, please see page 4.

ADULT INTRO TO CLIMBING

Ages 14-99. Anyone can climb! This 3-hour introductory course will teach you everything you need to know to learn to climb indoors. You'll learn how to belay (manage ropes for your climbing partner), how to use an auto belay, how to read climbing grades and follow climbing routes, and fundamental climbing techniques. Includes day passes, climbing shoes, and harness.

531997-01 T 6:00-9:00p 10/9 \$85
02 T 6:00-9:00p 11/27 \$85



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MOUNTAIN BIKING

Come explore some of the best mountain biking Washington has to offer with us! Rides are geared towards group ability. Riders must have a working bike and helmet that fits. Those not meeting these requirements cannot participate.

EMERGENCY BICYCLE MECHANICS **NEW!**

Ages 10-15. Something goes wrong with your bike on the trail, what do you do? Learning the basic maintenance skills in this class will answer that question, build your confidence as a rider, and will make the overall experience of riding bicycles easier and more fun! Mechanics classes will include demonstrations and instruction from the Park District's certified mountain bike instructors. Students will learn the mechanics of their own bikes in the class by working on their personal bikes upside down, similar to how we'll fix them on the trail. Participants are welcome to bring their own bikes, a pen and notepad, any mechanic related questions, and an enthusiastic attitude to learn more about their bikes. Meets at SHC.

531940-01 W 6:00-7:30p 10/17-10/31 \$75

DIY BICYCLE MECHANICS **NEW!**

Ages 15-99. Want to learn more about your bicycle and how to fix it? Sign up for the Mechanics course where we'll teach you how to improve your gears, brakes, and how to fix flat tires. Learning the basic maintenance skills in this class will help build your confidence as a rider, and will make the overall experience of riding bicycles smoother, easier, and more fun! Mechanics classes will include demonstrations and instruction from the Park Department's certified mountain bike instructors. Participants are welcome to bring their own bikes and bike stands, a pen and notepad, any bicycle mechanic-related questions, and an enthusiastic attitude to learn more about their bikes. Meets at SHMG.

531941-01 M 6:00-7:30p 10/8-10/22 \$75

FAMILY SAILING AND BOATING

Few things can beat a season of sailing, kayaking, and stand-up paddle boarding around Bainbridge Island. There is a diversity of sailing and paddling programs, trips, and classes for many ages. See pages 57-60 for detailed information about sailing and paddling programs.



BAINBRIDGE ISLAND SKI BUS

GET YOUR SKI ON

FAQS

General — A detailed email will be sent out approximately a week before the start of each program, with information on where to meet, what to bring, weather forecast, medical waivers, emergency contacts, and other information.

Questions? Contact Nick Prevo at nickp@biparks.org or call our office at 206-842-2306 ext.1.

Early Bird Registration — Registration for Ski Bus opens on Oct. 4 at 9:30 am. Register between then and **Nov. 30** and you'll save \$10 for every day of transportation that you enroll through us for. That's a **\$110 savings** for all 11 weeks of transportation.

Which Ski Bus Do I Pick? — Both! However, if you had to start with one, pick Stevens Pass. They get their best snow in the beginning of winter and the terrain is friendly for all ability levels. There are also more options for lessons, rentals, and packages at Stevens Pass. A majority of our Ski Bussers begin with Stevens, build up their legs, work on their skills, make tons of friends, then sign up for five more weeks at Crystal Mountain. Crystal gets their best snow later on, usually right when the crowds die down and we start our Ski Bus there. It's a solid win.

Pricing — Due to the large variety of options, pricing information for transportation, ski/snowboard lessons, rental equipment, lift tickets, and packages can all be viewed online at www.biparks.org. Options will be viewable online by **Oct. 3**.

Transportation — Ski Bus uses the District's 15-passenger vehicles. If there is high demand for particular weekends, we may charter a 56-passenger bus to accommodate. **Seats fill quickly, so enroll early!** Do not purchase lift tickets, rentals, or lessons if you haven't already reserved and paid for your transportation spot for that week. Transportation fees include ferry passes for all Stevens Pass Ski Bus participants. No need to pay separately or bring a pass and potentially lose it! We've got you covered!

Lift tickets — Lift tickets or a season pass is required to access the mountain. We offer discounted youth lift tickets and package deals for Stevens Pass. For your convenience we also offer youth lift tickets for Crystal Mountain. Adult Ski Bus riders will need to supply their own lift tickets for Crystal Mountain.

Lessons — Lessons fill up several weeks in advance. It's important to enroll early to secure a spot. **Deadline for enrolling in lessons is two weeks before the choice of Ski Bus date.** It is strongly recommended that students new to skiing/snowboarding or ages 9-12 enroll in lessons. Ski Bussers in lessons may free ski/ride with a buddy as time allows before and after lessons, except for first timers. First-time skiers/snowboarders need to take a minimum of one lesson before being allowed to free ski/ride with friends.

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Stevens Pass Lessons*: The Learn-in-Three Package is only available at 11:00 am or 12:00 pm. Adventure Club Packages and Group Lessons are only available at 1:00 pm. *Times may be subject to change

Crystal Mountain Lessons: Not available for Ski Bus.

Helmets — We follow the National Ski Area Association's guidelines and require all participants and chaperones to wear a helmet. We recommend purchasing your skier/snowboarder their own helmet as opposed to renting one as it'll fit better and reflect their unique style.

Equipment — Participants are responsible for providing their own equipment and labeling each item with their name. For Stevens Pass Youth Ski Bus, we recommend renting through us as they provide discounted pricing for our participants.

Chaperones — Chaperones are the heart and soul of Ski Bus. They have a unique opportunity to create positive relationships and be a role model for youth. Chaperones are selected based on their experience working with kids, managing groups, ability to help drive a van, and their schedule throughout the season. Chaperones must pass a background check and driver's history check. Chaperone training will be **6:30-8:00 pm Wednesday 12/5** at Strawberry Hill Center. Contact us early if you are interested in chaperoning. It's a blast.

Registration Deadlines — **Registration deadline is midnight on Monday before each week of Ski Bus, except for lessons which is a two-week deadline.** It is helpful and saves time to have participant waivers, medical information, and other forms turned in beforehand. The District reserves the right to require a doctor's note when applicable.

Refunds — For questions about refunds, please see page 4. The District reserves the right to dismiss a participant without refund if the participant fails to abide by "The Code of Conduct" agreement. If weather or road closures cancel a trip, a pro-rated credit will be refunded for the missed day.



STEVENS PASS

Ages 9-18. One of the Northwest's premier resorts offering 10 lifts, more than 1,125 acres of skiable terrain, and 37 primary runs. For ski and snowboard lessons, we are proud to partner with Stevens Pass Ski School. A list of flexible options to purchase seats for Ski Bus, ski/snowboard lessons, rental equipment, and lift tickets can all be viewed online www.biparks.org. Seats fill quickly, space limited.

131970 Saturdays	6:20a-8:00p	1/5-2/9 (6 weeks)
Transportation	Check online or call	
Lift tickets	Check online or call	
Ski/Snowboard rental	Check online or call	
Lessons	Check online or call	
Package Deals	Check online or call	

CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN

Ages 9-18. Bigger runs, fewer crowds, and 3,100 feet of vertical descent! Tear up the powder for six full hours with 11 lifts, one gondola, more than 2,600 acres of terrain, and 53 runs. Seats fill quickly. Space limited!

131971 Saturdays	6:00a-7:40p	2/23-3/23 (5 weeks)
Transportation	Check online or call	
Lift tickets	Check online or call	



THURSDAY SKI BUS — NEW COMFY VEHICLE!

Cheaper tickets, better powder, and no crowds. Zero people. No lines. Nada, zip, zilch. You basically have the entire mountain and trails to yourself. This year we'll be visiting Stevens Pass, White Pass, and Crystal Mountain. Refer to the schedule listed below to select which rides you would like to join. Space limited. Needs a minimum of six participants to run each trip. Sign up your friends and family!

Ski Bus Locations/Dates:

Stevens Pass: Jan 17, 24, 31; Feb 7, Feb 14
Crystal Mtn: Feb 21, 28; March 7

131973 Thursdays	6:00a-8:00p	1/17-3/7 (8 weeks)
Transportation	Check online or call	
Lift tickets (Stevens Pass only)	Check online or call	
Ski/Snowboard rental (Stevens Pass only)	Check online or call	