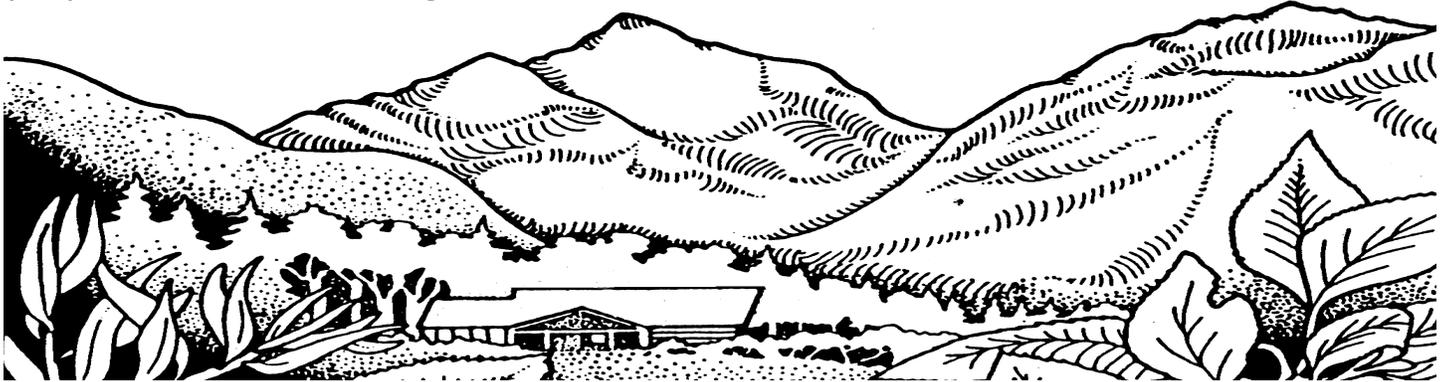


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JUNE 2018 Programs

Summer Building Hours:
Tuesdays-Sundays, 10am – 5pm



Tuesdays-Sundays at 1:30pm *Daily Guided Walk*

Join our docent for a 3/4 mile walk around the Rodak Loop to learn about the history, flora and fauna of the Eagle River Valley. Sign-in at the front desk 10 minutes prior. *Not intended for organized groups.*

Every Friday at 11am *Guided Walk for Families with Preschoolers*

LITTLE EXPLORERS invites families for a short walk to explore nature at the pace of a preschooler.

Announcing a **SPECIAL EVENT** for members (21&up):

Saturday, May 19, 7-10pm

MUSIC IN THE MOUNTAINS

While enjoying the music of the *Midnight Sun Zombies*, feast on a taco bar and other South of the Border flavors while cooling off with frozen margaritas and craft beer generously donated by Anchorage's own Cynosure Brewing. Tickets \$25/person, www.ernc.org.

Saturday, June 2, 9am-noon

Special Event: NATIONAL TRAILS DAY

Join us to improve a section of the lower Albert Loop. Volunteers must be in good physical shape. For details and to sign up, go to www.ernc.org.

Saturday, June 2, 11am

All Ages Program: CROW PASS 101

Thinking of hiking Crow Pass trail but not sure what to expect? Join **Pete Panarese** and **Laura Kruger** for useful tips including typical trail conditions, gear and fording Eagle River.

Saturday, June 2, 1-4pm

Workshop (\$50; registration required)

RIVER CROSSING TECHNIQUES

Join river experts **Tony Perelli** and **Becky King** for an introduction to fording techniques. Participants will learn and practice a variety of accepted methods for crossing rivers based on professional outdoor standards, go over typical river characteristics, what to do if you fall, and equipment concerns. Details and registration at www.ernc.org.

Sunday, June 3, 8am

MORNING BIRD WALK (Registration required)

Join avid birder **Jamin Taylor** on a 1-3 mile walk to look and listen for birds. Register at www.ernc.org.

Sunday, June 3, 2pm

All Ages: ALASKA HERPETOFAUNA

Alaska is home to six native and two non-native species of amphibians and four species of marine turtles. **Dr. Joshua Ream** will discuss ecology and ongoing research, as well as cultural relationships that Alaska's native peoples have had with these species for many generations.

Tuesday-Thursday, June 5-7, 10am-4pm

Workshop (\$225, Registration required)

YOUTH WILDERNESS FIRST AID

Accidents happen. People get hurt, sick, or lost. Youths 12-18 earn their WFA and CPR certification in this 3-day workshop. Class covers *Response and Assessment, Musculo-skeletal Injuries, Environmental Emergencies, Survival Skills, Soft Tissue Injuries, Medical Emergencies, plus Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation*. For details, see www.ernc.org.

Saturday, June 9, 10am – approx. 3pm

Workshop (\$75; Registration required)

GOURMET COOKING FOR CAMPING TRIPS

Join **Chef Tyler Howie** to learn how to prepare amazing meals over a camp fire, including Cornish game hen and fresh-baked bread. Workshop includes hiking to Rapids Camp (3 miles roundtrip). Register at www.ernc.org.

Saturday, June 9, 6:30pm-8pm
Special Lecture (\$20; Registration required)
BASICS OF BIRD PHOTOGRAPHY
Bird photographer **Jamin Taylor** shares the finer points of photographing birds, covering field gear, what makes a good composition, and much more.
Details and registration at www.ernc.org.

Sunday, June 10, 8am-noon
Workshop (\$75; Registration required)
BIRD PHOTOGRAPHY BOOTCAMP
Get up close and intimate with birds with avid bird photographer **Jamin Taylor**. *Participants need to have a working knowledge of their camera.* *Details and registration at www.ernc.org; the \$75 fee includes the June 9 lecture and this field class.*

Wednesday, June 13, 11am
ANIMAL STORIES FOR LITTLE PEOPLE
Families with preschoolers and Kindergarteners are invited to join us on the back deck for story time. Today we'll focus on life around the beaver pond.

Thursday, June 14, 2-4pm
Jr. Craft Program (\$10; Registration required)
FUN WITH NATURAL DYES
Kids will have fun with the art and science of making natural dyes. Each child will make and take their own nature-dyed bandana. *All materials will be provided.* *Details and Registration at www.ernc.org.*

Saturday, June 16, 11am-3pm
Workshop (\$50; registration required)
DYEING WITH PLANTS AND LICHEN
Learn how to use Alaska's wild plants and lichen for textile dyeing: how to prepare and mordant the fibers, identify and harvest materials, and prepare a dyebath. Participants take home samples and a shibori-resist silk scarf. *Register at www.ernc.org.*

Sunday, June 17, 2pm
Guided Walk (Registration required)
FAMILY-FRIENDLY HIKE
Join us for a 3-mile round-trip hike on the Albert Loop. Bring water and snacks for a break on gravel bar by the river. *Register at www.ernc.org.*

Wednesday, June 20, 11am "Open House"
Jr. Naturalist Program: A BEAR'S LIFE
What's it like to be a bear? Kids have a chance to experience a bear's life through the four seasons of the year. Children and parents will take away a better awareness of bear safety by learning about bears' needs, such as food and habitat, and why conflicts occur. **Open house format means you can stop by anytime between 11am to 1pm.**

Thursday, June 21, 2-4:30 pm
TEEN CABIN HIKE (Registration required)
Teens –are you looking for fun stuff to do with other teens? Join us this summer to hike, volunteer and learn new skills. Today we'll head to the cabin where we'll cook s'mores over a campfire.
Details and registration at www.ernc.org.

Thursday, June 21, 6pm
Guided Hike (Registration required)
SOLSTICE EVENING HIKE
Join us on the longest day of the year for a hike to the cabin (1.25 mile one-way). Bring water and snacks – we'll provide hotdogs and s'mores.
Open to all ages; register at www.ernc.org.

Saturday-Sunday, June 23-24, 9am-5pm
Workshop (\$250-285 depending on options)
WILDERNESS FIRST AID/ CPR/ WFR Recert
Details & registration at akwildmed.webplus.net

Wednesday, June 27, 11am
Jr. Naturalist: ADAPTATION OLYMPICS
Alaska animals are uniquely adapted to survive in their environment. Today we'll compete to see which creature is best suited to survive in a challenging environment!

Thursday, June 28, 2pm
Jr. Naturalist Program (K-6th)
CREEK CRITTERS (Registration required)
Let's find out what lives in our creeks. We'll catch macro-invertebrates such as the larvae of caddisflies and mayflies. *Bring rubber boots; dress for messy exploration.* *Register at www.ernc.org.*

Saturday, June 30, 3-7pm
Workshop (\$50; Registration required)
WILDFLOWER & MACRO PHOTOGRAPHY
Learn techniques of close-up photography and the basics of using Adobe software to make your images look their best. Taught by **Colin Tyler Bogucki (www.colintyler.com)**. *Attendees must provide their own SLR camera gear (ideally with macro lens and tripod), have a working knowledge of their camera, and bring a laptop with either Adobe Lightroom or Photoshop installed.* *Register at www.ernc.org.*

Sunday, July 1, 11am-3pm
Workshop (\$50; registration required)
MEDICINAL PLANTS WORKSHOP
This workshop introduces you to Alaska's wild plants that have traditionally been used for medicine. Learn to identify, harvest, and process about a dozen local plants. Take home new knowledge, recipes and samples of salves.
Details and registration at www.ernc.org.