

# Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy 2019 nature centers

## GEORGE F CANYON NATURE CENTER & PRESERVE

27305 Palos Verdes Drive East  
Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274  
Center Hours Fri 1- 4 pm; Sat & Sun 10 am - 4 pm |  
Trail Hours Dawn to Dusk Daily  
(Mon-Fri) 310.541.7613 (Weekends) 310.547.0862

## WHITE POINT NATURE EDUCATION CENTER & PRESERVE

1600 W Paseo Del Mar  
San Pedro, CA 90731  
Center Hours Wed, Sat & Sun 10 am - 4pm |  
Trail Hours Dawn to Dusk Daily  
(Mon-Fri) 310.541.7613 (Weekends) 310.561.0917



### 1st Saturday Monthly

**Family Nature Walk** 11 am  
Naturalists guide a walk through restored woodland habitat to reveal a unique variety of wildlife. Concludes with a Nature Center visit.

**Family Science & Storytime** 11 am  
Monthly hands-on science activities, children's literature, and art projects introduce the wildlife. Live animals occasionally included.

### 2nd Saturday Monthly

**Family Science & Storytime** 11 am  
Interactive science activities feature wildlife species that thrive in the restored habitat. Themed children's literature and art activities follow.

**Native Plant Sale** 11 am  
Naturalists provide advice for the selection, planting and care of the colorful, drought resistant native plants grown in the Conservancy's nursery.

### 3rd Saturday Monthly

**Family Outdoor Volunteer Day** 11 am  
Children learn to be stewards of the Earth as they plant native seeds and care for habitat.

**Family Nature Walk** 11 am  
A guided hike through seaside sage scrub habitat introduces families to local wildlife and native plants. Concludes with an exploration of the Nature Center exhibits.

### 4th Saturday Monthly

**Native Plant Sale** 11 am  
Attract butterflies to your garden with colorful, drought tolerant plants grown at the Conservancy's nursery.

**Education Workshops** 11 am  
Engage your curious mind learning about flutes crafted from native plants, solstices and equinoxes, hidden wildlife cameras, a walking nature meditation and much more. See reverse for dates.

### 3rd & 4th Wednesdays Monthly

**Wild Birds Walk 4th Wednesday** 8:30 am  
Join *Wild Birds Unlimited* to search for the winged creatures that thrive in restored woodland habitat.

**Wild Birds Walk 3rd Wednesday** 8:30 am  
Join *Wild Birds Unlimited* to search for the birds that call this restored coastal sage habitat home.

### Moonlight Hikes June to October

Make a reservation to join one of our guided night hikes at George F Canyon. Learn about the mysterious nocturnal creatures that inhabit this canyon after dark. 9 yrs +. \$12 person. Reservations required at pvplc.org.

**Sunday Scout Badges** Make a reservation for your Girl Scout or Boy Scout group to earn a badge. The two-hour program includes a Naturalist guided hike, access to the nature center and all the activities required to earn the badge. \$15 per Scout. Contact Director of Education, Connie Smith, at csmith@pvplc.org to make a reservation.

**Scout Award Projects** The Conservancy offers a limited number of project opportunities for Eagle, Gold, and Silver awards. Contact Volunteer Program Manager, Brittany Goldsmith, at bgoldsmith@pvplc.org.

For more  
information  
and to RSVP:  
PVPLC.ORG

## Nature & Me Storytime

PVLD librarian Marisa Perley shares books that open children's eyes to the natural world. Ages 2-5. Email: [mperley@pvld.org](mailto:mperley@pvld.org)  
9:30 am at George F Canyon  
MAR 1, JUN 7, NOV 8

## Agents of Discovery New activity at White Point

Download the *Agents of Discovery* app and bring your smartphone to play a geolocation discovery game. Uncover historic secrets and discover rare wildlife. Finishers can pick up their White Point Gnatcatcher Patch in the nature center.  
Play anytime dawn to dusk!



## Become a Docent!

Would you like working at our nature centers interacting with visitors and interpreting exhibits? You may enjoy helping with fieldtrips to introduce kids to the Preserves. Maybe you would find it exciting to become a classroom instructor for our Junior Naturalist Program in nearby 3rd Grade classrooms? Being a docent is a great way to share your love of nature. We provide Docents with all training, materials, curriculum and ongoing enrichment activities. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Education Program Manager Holly Gray at [hgray@pvplc.org](mailto:hgray@pvplc.org).

### DOCENT ORIENTATIONS

**MAR 3** 11 am -12 pm  
George F Canyon Nature Center

**SEP 15** 11 am - 12 pm  
White Point Nature Education Center

## EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS

4TH SATURDAYS - 11 AM WHITE POINT NATURE EDUCATION CENTER

### FEB 23

Equinoxes, Solstices, and Seasonal Changes  
Ever wonder why we have seasons? Curious about the meaning of equinoxes and solstices, or the changing climate here in Southern California? Join Dr. Allen Franz for a discussion of the celestial mechanics that shape these phenomena and get a better sense of our place in the Solar System.

### MAR 23

Military History of White Point  
White Point has a decades long history as a location important for national defense. Docent John Horne will talk about the Battle of Los Angeles, the bunkers that once housed two enormous naval guns and the 20-year Nike missile era.

### APR 20

Celebrate Earth Day with Dryad Flutes  
Performers Jon and Sabine Sherman will present their original live musical theater production featuring ecologically focused folk songs accompanied by guitar and hand crafted flutes, including one about the Palos Verdes Blue Butterfly. You'll come away inspired!

### MAY 25

Peninsula Wildlife Update  
Stewardship Associate Josh Weinik will share updates about the status of peninsula wildlife including the cactus wren, blue butterflies and gray fox as observed by citizen science volunteers and motion sensor cameras on the preserves.

### JUN 22

Walking Meditation in the Native Plant Demonstration Garden  
Join Vivian Blanco, owner of Casa Ayurveda, who will guide you through a walking meditation practice that will bring you back in touch with nature and deliver peace to your mind, body and soul.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Find out more at [pvplc.org](http://pvplc.org)

### BUTTERFLIES & BAGELS

**JUN 29** 10 am – 12 pm  
George F Canyon Nature Center  
Celebrate the species of butterfly that lives nowhere else in the world but on the Peninsula! Enjoy a family-friendly morning of art projects, story telling, music, easy habitat restoration and butterfly spotting.

### EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

**APR 20** 9 am – 12 pm  
White Point Nature Education Center & Preserve  
Volunteer in the native plant garden, take a Ranger guided walk, enjoy the Dryad flute performance, participate in an art activity, or purchase a native plant for your garden! Later, join us at the Warner Grand Theater in San Pedro for a screening of the film "Free Solo."

### Supporters



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