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Notes from Claudette

All Those Years Ago

I remembered John

Shriver as tall, thin and smart, quiet but confident, one of the class math whizzes. We attended elementary school together, pre-K through sixth grade, at the wonderful Town and Country Day School in Wheaton, Maryland. We'd lost contact for decades, until he tagged me in a photo he posted on Facebook a few years ago of our kindergarten

class production of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." I was Snow White. He was Bashful. (See page 6.)

I saw more recent photos of him too, so I wasn't going entirely on memory when I spotted him walking into Café Mimosa one Sunday in February. He and his wife, Diane, were in town visiting their daughter,

Laura, who has been here on an internship at the Institute for Applied Ecology, and we'd arranged for our families to meet for brunch.

John is still tall, thin and smart. Laura, a beguiling young woman with curly red hair, has her father's smile and her mother's eyes, and tattoos of a gingko branch on her shoulder and a three-winged maple seed on her ankle. We ordered eggs and coffee and mimosas. Laura and Ariel, my 30-year-old son, talked about their various international travels, as the adults skipped down memory lane.

John (who has degrees from MIT in civil engineering and transportation design) vividly remembered our school's mid-century modern architecture, with classrooms surrounding a large central courtyard. My memories floated towards the verbal. I remembered the playgrounds were covered with "tanbark"—what they called the wood chips we stomped over and sometimes flung at each other in play.

We had some of the same favorite teachers. There was Mrs. Lee, the tiny, ebullient math teacher everyone loved. She was Chinese and had a funny way of pronouncing "hypotenuse."

And there was Mrs. Fishbein, our reading teacher. She had a large gap between her two front teeth, and taught us how to read Shakespeare (Julius Caesar; Romeo and Juliet), and



Otavo said, "I liked the bikes."

The Washington Post. I got a chance to thank her several years later when she brought a school group on a field trip to the Montgomery County Sentinel, my first newspaper job.

And Mrs. Miller, the upper-grade art and English teacher, who wore floral dresses and sandals. She was eccentric and inspiring—and a tad too much of a hippie for our principal, the stately Mr. Cohen.

Long-forgotten faces popped capriciously to mind. There was Virginia Eddy, a round-faced girl who dubbed herself "Eyeball Eddy" and drew self-portraits as a bloodshot eyeball with legs. And Kent Taylor, the dark-haired boy I decided in first grade I wanted to marry. (I didn't.) And Miss Edgerton-Bird, our second grade teacher, from England, who wore long sweaters with a Kleenex tucked up her sleeve.

Our elementary years overlapped the Civil Rights movement, feminism, the Vietnam War and the heyday of the space program. One year we were assigned to draw "cities of the future"—which for some reason we all envisaged under a giant dome. We graduated just after the first Earth Day in April 1970, which was also the month the Beatles broke up. As close-focused as our eyes were on our own next steps, a wide-angle shot of the world around us would have captured seismic cultural and political changes.

We scattered to various junior high schools (as they were called back then) and gradually lost contact—at least until Facebook stitched some new connections. I visited the school for some occasion a year or two later and was shocked by how small everything seemed. We'd gone off to bigger things.

Maybe an astute eye could have foreseen the adults that would emerge from the kids we were back then. John has had a successful career as a software engineer. I started working as a journalist between high school and college, and created *Tumbleweeds* soon after I became a mom. We couldn't see that far ahead, but we were lucky to have had caring adults around us, paving our way with good possibilities.

Maybe that's a constant: Children can't see too far into their own future, but if they're lucky they have teachers, parents and community members who see the best options for them academically, creatively, socially and environmentally.

Those options begin with fostering a love of literacy, as early in a child's life as possible. Abby Bordner, one of Santa Fe's most tireless advocates for young children, makes a pitch for stop-gap funding for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, a national program administered locally by the United

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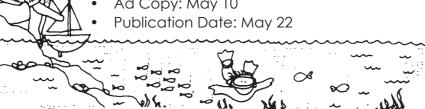
ON THE COVER: Chelsea McDowell, 18 months, daughter of Sara and Nate McDowell, enjoys listening to music, learning sign language and reading books. She also loves playing with her sister, Hailey, age 14, and brother, Sašo, age 10. Born with Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome, Chelsea receives various therapies from Las Cumbres Community Services, which support Chelsea and the whole family. Photo © Ana June 2019.

ARTWORK IN THIS ISSUE is by 4- and 5-year-old students at Atalaya Pre-K after their visit to Circus Luminous at the Lensic Performing Art's Center. Their teacher, Elizabeth Muéller, was the January 2019 SFPS Teacher of the Month. Look for more on our website, www.sftumbleweeds.com.

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Way of Santa Fe County, which provides children with a free book by mail every month from birth to age 5: "Early Literacy Program Seeks Community Support." Perli Cunanan, director of Santa Fe School for the Arts and Sciences, describes the launch of Santa Fe Talks, a year-long project to raise money and community service hours for literacy programs for grade-school children: "When Santa Fe Talks, Readers Benefit."

Best creative options include looking at and learning to talk about art, even from a very early age, as retired teacher and new grandma Shari Cassutt shares in her sweet article, "Get SmART!" Dawn Kaufmann, an educa-

tor at the Museum of International Folk Art, introduces us to a new program, Family Mornings at Folk Art, offered during the state museums' monthly free admission days for New Mexico residents: see "Museums Are Child's Play."

Young children are exposed to abstractions like immigration and citizenship and can begin understanding these concepts in age-appropriate discussions, as Sarah Harris, director of Temple Beth Shalom Preschool, shares in "Where I'm From."

How do you teach kids compassion and responsibility? Adults have probably been slapping their foreheads over that question for eons. The New Mexico Wildlife Center and Santa Fe Animal Shelter have found an inspiring method by enlisting the help of birds and dogs, as NMWC director Melissa H. Moore describes in "It Takes A Village of People & Animals."

Since that first Earth Day in 1970, awareness of our environment has grown both more far-ranging and more locally-focused. This year we'll have a celebration of local species at the Railyard Park (see Rebecca D'Agostine and Shannon Palermo's "Earth: Our Neighborhood"), along with events in Los Alamos and at the Santa Fe Children's Museum (see our Spring Family Calendar, beginning on page 32).

Providing children with the best options increasingly means helping them connect to our natural environment. I'm sure you *and* your children will learn



The Town and Country Day School kindergarten class production of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," 1964, with Claudette Sutton (far left) as Snow White, and John Shriver (bottom row, second from right) as Bashful.

things you never knew about bird migration in "Look Up, Look Around!" by Sally Maxwell of the Randall Davey Audubon Center (translated into Spanish, "¡Miren por todos lados!" by Flor de María Oliva). I know I did.

And of course, "best options" include fun! This spring and summer we'll see a veritable feast of programs, at all price points, including the city of Santa Fe summer youth program, church camps and private camps and classes. See our Spring Break & Summer Camp Directory, and Summer Spotlight highlighting two new programs.

Finally, since healthy kids need healthy parents, Antoinette Villamil,

executive director of Many Mothers (and *Tumbleweeds*' new assistant editor), writes about a new postpartum parenting group: "No Mama is an Island."

Before I said goodbye to my old classmate, I thought about how hard it would have been to imagine this day back when we graduated elementary school almost 50 years ago. Yet looking back, it seems so much of who we were then is still here in us now. I took that as a little nudge to keep doing what we can to be good to our children, community, planet and country, and ourselves. The future may be unimaginable, but it's coming.







The big yellow building across the railroad tracks from

the Santa Fe Farmers' Market fills with gleeful laughter. Colorful dancing scarves lie at the center of the room. A musician tunes his mandolin. Families enter the Railyard Performance Center for Creative Dance & Music with Ingrid and Eric, a weekly class for parents and children 18 months to 5 years.

Children and parents use the dancing scarves as a warm-up, moving up high and down low, changing directions, stopping and making statue shapes, moving with shaky and swingy energy. When the Rail Runner rumbles by, the children run out to greet it, waving their scarves. Later, parents and children do a simple movement sequence as they sit in a circle. This sequence, called the BrainDance, was created by Anne Green Gilbert based on the developmental movement patterns that babies naturally move through as they learn to crawl and walk. With younger children, these movements are accompanied by nursery rhymes and songs.

Families explore movement and music each week in many different ways: with beanbags, scarves, ribbons, dots on the floor and other props, and in circle dances that bring the group together as a community and teach children patterns of movement and sequencing. Rhythm instruments enhance listening skills and musicality, and an obstacle course provides fun and playful locomotor skill development. The activities end with a giant parachute, teaching the children cooperative play. A goodbye song completes the musical hour for families to share together.

Creative Dance & Music with Ingrid and Eric meets Wednesdays at 4 p.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m. at the Railyard Performance Center, 1611 Paseo de Peralta in Santa Fe. Classes are offered on a drop-in basis for \$10 per family (or pay what you can).

- Ingrid Hurlen, Creative Dance & Music



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Infants and Toddlers

No Mama is an Island

Postpartum group sheds loneliness, spreads laughter

By Antoinette Villamil

For much of the winter, Santa Fe was nestled

under the kind of blanketed quiet that only exists in falling snow. Lovely to look at, yes, but isolating for people who are home alone, all day every day, with a baby. In a conference room off Cerrillos Road, babies coo and cry while moms talk and laugh on even the coldest days. They are part of Many Mothers' new Postpartum Parenting Group, a drop-in weekly gathering where caregivers, mostly moms, connect with each other.

Abby sips a cup of tea one snowy morning while her 9-month-old daughter giggles. "Talking with others who are going through the same things—the same joys and the same challenges—helps me to feel like my baby and I are part of the web of life, not two isolated souls struggling to navigate by ourselves," Abby says.

Many Mothers started this group in January for parents and children from birth to preschool age. It came at the request of many of the 100-plus families we support annually, who described coming home from work stressed, not spending enough time with their children, and feeling isolated from friends and family.

Facilitator Sharon Gonzalez-Alei opens the group with a general check-in—an opportunity to share successes and challenges over the last week—and offers information on subjects such as nutrition, helpful hints for happy babies, doing

yoga with your baby, and ideas on staying positive if you're feeling down.

"As mothers with really little ones, we often

become so focused on just the basic, day-to-day tasks of child care that it seems as though our world has gotten very small," Gonzalez-Alei explains. "We can often feel a bit lonely for other adult company. And for those who do not have other family members nearby, the ongoing care of an infant can feel overwhelming at times."

Tara, who attends the group weekly with her 15-month-old son, moved to Santa Fe with her husband and two children when she was 34 weeks pregnant with her third child. She quickly realized she needed to plug into the community and sought support from Many Mothers.

"Being a mom can be very isolating," Tara says. "My days at home with the baby feel so long. Having a place to go once a week is what my lonely, stressed-out brain needs!"

Many Mothers strives to change the modern trend of parental isolation. The relief found through our programs addresses current research on women and stress, such as a study by Shelly Taylor et al., published in 2000 in *Psychological Review*, which Taylor later expanded into a book called *The Tending Instinct: How Nurturing is Essential to Who We Are and How We Live.* Taylor's study demonstrated the benefits of woman-to-woman interaction. The researchers found that women release oxytocin, a natural stress-reliever, when they get together with other women.

Coming together with other women is medicine for moms like Abby. "The best part of the group is the laughter," she says. "Laughing at all of these crazy aspects of rearing babies and little kids just makes it so much easier, and so

much more fun."

Based on our founder Anne McCormick's vision, which was to nurture the mother so she has the inner resources to nurture her baby, the mission of Many Mothers is to provide essential, hands-on support to all families in Santa Fe. Our programs, including the Postpartum Support Group, reduce parental stress and loneliness, leading to better outcomes for young children and a stronger community in which we all can thrive.

The Postpartum Support Group meets Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Please call (505) 490-6509, or email Antoinette@ManyMothers.org, for the location.

Antoinette Villamil is the executive director at Many Mothers and one of Tumbleweeds' assistant editors.





Mamas and tots find company and camaraderie at the Postpartum Parenting Group

Early Literacy Program Seeks Community Support

Dolly Parton Imagination Library faces crucial funding gap

By Abby Bordner

The United Way of Santa Fe County is looking

for private donors with a passion for early literacy to support Dolly Parton's Imagination Library (DPIL). Due to a partial loss in funding, this much-loved program is facing a \$20,000 funding gap in the next fiscal year.

DPIL is a book-gifting program that mails free, high-quality books to young children every month, no matter their family's income. The program provides a carefully selected book that arrives in the mail each month from the day the child is born until he or she is 5 years old. Books are chosen by a national panel of early literacy experts.

In 2015, United Way of Santa Fe County brought DPIL to Santa Fe's children and families with the financial support of the Santa Fe County Community Services Department. The DPIL program in Santa Fe now mails books to 2,200 children every month. In response to our community's needs, we sought additional private funding so we could send books in Spanish to bilingual families. With this funding we have been able to send 520 Spanish books quarterly in addition to the DPIL books, which are only available in English.

This past year we conducted a survey of 250 families that receive books through the DPIL program in Santa Fe. Key points included:

- 40 percent of respondents said they read to their children less than once a day before their enrollment in the program.
- After receiving books from the DPIL, 83 percent say they are reading to their children at least once a day, and 57 percent say they read to their children more than once a day.
- Over 80 percent of families participating in the program report a dramatic increase in interest in reading among their children.

Survey participants also gave testimonials about how the DPIL has impacted their children's reading habits. Some of their comments were:

"He loves books and wants to go to the library more often. He even reads to

"She gets very excited to go pick out a book and bring it to her dad or me. She'll even look at one on her own and pretend to read."





"He has more variety of interests now. He is more interested in books that have children who are different from him. The books have children of different races and cultures and he has developed empathy for others."

To donate and support the DPIL, please go to www.uwsfc.org/our-programs/ dolly/, or contact Abby Bordner at abbyb@uwsfc.org or (505) 216-2984. Your support will ensure that all the current families receiving books will continue to do so until their children turn 5 years old.

To enroll your children in the DPIL, please contact Jessica Terrazas at jessicat@uwsfc.org or (505) 819-5484.

Abby Bordner is the vice president of resource development for the United Way of Santa Fe County.



Preschool

WHERE FROM

Teaching kids about diversity and citizenship

By Sarah Harrison

"Please, please don't let it be a snow day!" I said

to myself in the middle of the night in mid-December as I woke up and looked outside to see heavy snow blanketing my neighborhood.

The next morning we were planning to host an important ceremony at Temple Beth Shalom Preschool for one of our teachers. We had invited families and friends, baked a cake, decorated the synagogue sanctuary and arranged for immigration officers to travel from Albuquerque. We just *couldn't* have a snow day! That frosty morning, a two-hour delay was called, but we were able to host the naturalization oath ceremony for Walema Kwanza Ntele, our lead teacher for 3-year-olds, known to students as Mr. Walema.

Children, families and friends filled our main sanctuary. As everyone took their seats I passed around the miniature American flags I had ordered for the event. The room soon filled with smiles, tears and the buzz of young children. Like many of the children in the room, I had never experienced a naturalization ceremony before and did not know what to expect.

A few weeks before the ceremony I had the pleasure of subbing for Mr. Walema so that he could attend an important interview with U.S. Customs and Immigration Services in Albuquerque. That morning I asked one of the preschool students, "Do you know where Mr. Walema is today?" She enthusiastically answered "Africa!" I laughed a little to myself and explained that while Mr. Walema is from Africa, he was just in Albuquerque for the day. I quickly grabbed the globe in the classroom to show the child where we live in New Mexico and where Mr. Walema grew up, trying to convey, in 3-year-old terms, just how far away Africa is and how long it would take to get there.

During the fall semester, Walema had been taking steps to finalize his citizenship. It was an exciting and stressful time, the culmination of a long journey. The students in his class had some understanding that he was from Africa and was working towards becoming an American, and they were attempting to make sense of these concepts. The day of the ceremony, I sat with our 4- and 5-year-old class to reflect on what they thought about the event. I told them that Mr. Walema was now an American like the rest of us. One child replied, "I'm not from America, I'm from here." Other children chimed in, "I'm from here too." I asked the children, "Where is here?" One child elaborated, "Actually, I'm from Albuquerque, I was born in Albuquerque." Having a narrow sense of their place in the world is common for preschool age children and led to a more indepth conversation about cities, states and the United States of America.

Mr. Walema is originally from the Democratic Republic of Congo and has been teaching at Temple Beth Shalom Preschool for over three years. Every year the children in his class learn about diversity and other cultures. Mr. Walema shares stories about his childhood in Africa, and he invites families to come in and share stories about their family and culture. On a walking field trip to the Santa Fe Children's Museum, he shared a story with the children about how as a child he used to have to walk to collect fresh water in his city. Mr. Walema also

Walema Kwanza Ntele, of the Democratic Republic of Congo, celebrates receiving U.S. citizenship with his students, colleagues and friends at Temple Beth Shalom Preschool.







incorporates French nursery rhymes in his classroom to expose children to his former country's national language. Since young children learn through experience, their sense of place and country is often shaped by their personal experiences and hearing about others'.

Concepts such as immigration, citizenship and

diversity can be very abstract for young children. Here are a few suggestions of how you can begin to create an understanding with your youngest citizens:

• Start small: When explaining to young children the idea of being a citizen of the United States of America, begin by naming the neighborhood you live in, then the city, the state and finally the country. This will help children begin to develop a more concrete understanding of place by connecting it to their personal experience. We love maps as a tool to help children learn about their place in the world. Start small with the local Santa Fe bike map. Place a sticker on your house, school, favorite parks and other places you frequent. • Model being active citizens: As

parents and educators, we all identify many character traits we want

to instill in our children. Modeling engaged citizenship behaviors for your children will help them develop an understanding of how they can be active citizens. You can help your neighbor with a challenging task, participate in a neighborhood cleanup with your child, recycle at home and in public spaces, or volunteer in your community. When you

the importance of voting. You are your child's first teacher, and their understanding of citizenship begins at home.

• Expose them to many stories: Find ways for your child to experience diverse stories and points of view. Expose them to books about immigration, di-



verse cultures and experiences. Novelist Chimamanda Adichie, in her very moving TED Talk entitled "The Danger of a Single Story," describes how our individual lives and cultures are composed of many overlapping stories and warns that if we hear only a single story about another person or country, we

risk a critical misunderstanding. At home and at school, weave the cultures, stories and experiences of families, friends and teachers into your everyday interactions and activities. Expose your children to many stories and help us to create citizens of a kinder world.

> As the ceremony began, music filled the main sanctuary and a video projected images of America on a screen. The immigration officer welcomed everyone as Mr. Walema met her on stage. The entire room joined together, hands over hearts, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. He was then given his naturalization oath, and the immigration officer introduced him as the newest citizen of the United States of America. The room erupted in cheers and applause. Through tears of joy, Mr. Walema took a few minutes to express his thanks and gratitude. As the event concluded, "Proud to be an American" by Lee Greenwood filled the space, and Walema circled around the sanctuary hugging friends, loved ones and colleagues.

When the ceremony was over, Walema said, "I was so thankful that [the students] were able to watch me go through the oath ceremony, and even though they might not have understood what was happening, I'm sure they could feel my

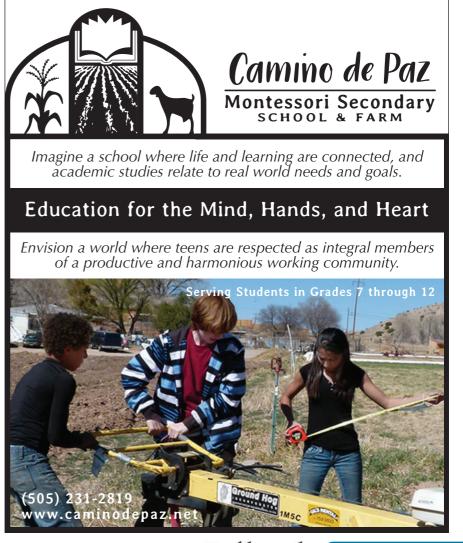
pride and happiness." Seeing how much it meant to my dear colleague and friend to become a citizen made me proud and happy to be an American too.

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Preschool



Deepening vocabulary, creative thinking and self-awareness through art immersion • By Shari Cassutt

My 2-year-old grandson and I were spending early-morning cuddle time looking at art on my laptop.

"Wha's dat?" he'd yell as a new picture came up on my screen.

"What do you see?" I'd ask. Sometimes we saw horses, or fish, or hats. Sometimes we saw colors, but my favorite moment was his response to "Tausendfüßler" (Centipede), by German artist Frank Schwarz. The painting is a series of thin vertical lines in various colors, predominantly green. They fill the entire canvas from top to bottom and edge to edge. My grandson put his sticky finger on my screen and traced the lines "up, up, up" followed by "down, down, down." He connected with the image in a very 2-year-old physical way. We remained snuggled on the sofa flipping through picture after picture until this sweet moment was interrupted by the urgent cry of "Pee pee!" and he scampered off, pulling down his Thomas the Train undies on his way to the potty chair.

I have another memory, from many years ago. In this one there's an infant in a backpack perched on his father's shoulders in a crowded exhibit at a Los Angeles art museum. He is peering around his father's head at a Gauguin painting while Dad keeps up a steady but quiet stream of observations: "See the reds and the yellows. See the sun." The baby on the back is too young to respond but he is tracking his father's gesturing hand, intently following every move. I carried this memory with me into my career as a teacher and my years as a parent and now grandparent. Patience, connection and seeing the world from a child's perspective is the heart of good teaching, wherever it happens.

Years later, in the 1990s, I was teaching kindergarten at Acequia Madre Elementary School just as the school embarked on a concentrated effort to design and implement an arts-immersion curriculum, an effort that eventually resulted in national recognition by Businessweek for instructional innovation.

What did I learn when I, a non-artist, was thrust into a curriculum infused with art, theatre and music? What was that baby in the backpack learning? How can parents, especially those who haven't picked up a brush, crayon or stick of

charcoal since elementary school do to enhance their own children's art education? Finally, most importantly—why bother?

Baby in the Backpack was certainly expanding his vocabulary as Daddy commented on the art around him. When you talk about art you use all kinds of wonderful words like swirling and whirling and scribble, vibrant and vivid. There are new words for colors—vermillion and crimson. But more than that, art opens the door to emotions. Monet's "Water Lilies" are peaceful. Picasso's "Guernica" is disturbing. Art stimulates the imagination. What are those shapes that Miró painted? What stories is Marc Chagall telling?

Mark Rothko is known for his abstract works of fields of color but he was also a beloved art educator. For 20 years he taught kindergarten through eighth grade at the Brooklyn Jewish School. In 1934, he published an essay, "New Training for Future Artists and Art Lovers." One of his oft-quoted guidelines is that teachers should "Work to cultivate creative thinkers, not professional artists." We need creative thinkers. They solve the world's greatest problems in medicine, science, technology and the plagues of the modern world like homelessness and poverty. Art makes us smarter, not just about art but about the world. Creating or appreciating art forces us to think and experiment, to try on new ideas perhaps only to abandon them to new thoughts. Art has no right answers but engenders many questions.

Here in Santa Fe, art is abundant. We are blessed with many excellent museums, galleries and art in public places. As parents and educators, be bold. Take your preschooler by the hand and go look at art. Ask the important questions: "What do you see?" "What's going on here?" "Why do you think that?" "How does this painting make you feel?" Share your own insights with phrases such as "I notice..." or throw in a big word like "I'm intrigued by...."

Observe the colors that are bright and those that are dull or muted. Find the shapes. Talk about the lines—lines that are jumpy or smooth, lines that are tangled or straight. Which paintings are happy or laughing, and which are sad or scared? Most importantly, have fun. Find those sweet, cuddly moments with your little ones.

Here are some resources that will help you in your journey into art with your children.

- Art is.... (Millbrook Press, 2003) and No One Saw: Ordinary Things Through the Eyes of an Artist (Millbrook Press, 2001), by Bob Raczka. I wish I had these books when I was teaching. Simple text stimulates thinking about some of the world's greatest art and artists. Raczka also provides background information for parents and older children.
- Harold and the Purple Crayon, by Crockett Johnson (60th anniversary edition, Harper Collins Books, 2015). I once had a student named Harold who, not surprisingly, loved this book, but even if your name isn't Harold this is a memorable classic. It was published a year before my birth (making me a classic too!). I remember being enthralled with Harold's problem-solving skills as he wielded his purple crayon. I'll never know if Crockett was inspired by the artist Paul Klee's statement that "Drawing is taking a line for a walk," but I'd like to think so. Harold and the Purple Crayon was adapted by HBO into a television series. Episodes are available on YouTube.
- "My Many Colored Days," by Dr. Seuss (Knopf Books for Young Readers, 1998). The text for this book was discovered after the death of Theodore Geisel/Dr. Seuss and published with illustrations by Steve Johnson and Lou Fancher. It doesn't have the look that you've come to associate with a



Left: Kai Cassutt, age 2, loves to make, look at, touch and talk about art. Above: "Tausendfüßler" (Centipede), by Frank Schwarz.

Seussian world. Nevertheless it provides a wonderful platform to explore color and emotion. There are some great YouTube videos of the book. I like the reading by Beth Hassinger.

• Art Class Curator: Art educator Cindy Ingram's website, www.artclasscurator.com, is a treasure trove for both art teachers and parents. Look for her blogs on "How to Look at Art

with Toddlers and Preschoolers" (October 22, 2014) and "Exploring Narrative in Art" (September 13, 2013) in which she describes Visual Thinking Strategies, or VTS, a technique to talk about art by focusing on three questions. "What's going on here?" "Why do you think that?" and "What more can you find?"

If you've been reading this article carefully you noticed that I've already introduced you to those questions. I learned them at the same time as my kindergartners when I was teaching at Piñon Elementary School. My class was one of the lucky beneficiaries of SITE Santa Fe's outreach program that brings VTS to Santa Fe Public School students across the city. The VTS website, www.vtshome.org, explains the theory and research behind the approach.

- J. Paul Getty Museum: The Getty is a leader in art education and their website, www.getty.edu, is a wonderful resource. Look for Getty Games and start playing with the masterpieces.
- The Teachers Guide: After looking at art, reading about art and talking about art,

you'll want to make some art. There are tons of resources on the Internet. This site, www.theteachersguide.com/Artlessonplans.html, will get you started and keep you going for months.

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Elementary



Raising caring kids is an all-species effort

By Melissa H. Moore

We all hope to raise kids who

are caring, compassionate and responsible. Most of us also hope our children will grow up to be community members who care about others and are good stewards of the natural world. But how do we teach those values? We're lucky these days if our children look up from their video games, computers or cell phones long enough to tell us about their day. Having a meaningful conversation about an abstract topic like "responsibility" can be even more challenging.

But what if we could talk to kids about difficult topics using something most of them are naturally interested in? What if we had their nearly undivided attention and were able to engage them in deeper discussion about these topics?

New Mexico Wildlife Center and the Santa Fe Animal Shelter have teamed up to do just that—encouraging values of compassion and responsibility through visits with four-legged or two-winged friends. Caring Kids: Wings and Paws, a partnership program created by these two organizations, may be visiting your child's classroom this school year.

Caring Kids: Wings and Paws launched as a pilot program in the fall of 2018 and has expanded to three schools and four classrooms this spring: one class at both E.J. Martinez and Chaparral Elementary Schools, and two at Gonzales Community School. Starting from the idea that most children have a fascination with animals, educators from both organizations visit classrooms together and talk about four main principles: responsibility, compassion, safety, and awareness of and connection to nature. These four principles, in the context of how they apply in our dealings with animals, are introduced, discussed, studied and internalized by students during the four-visit program.

It Takes A Village of People & Animals



Of course, the highlights of the program are when the live animals visit. During the second class, Santa Fe Animal Shelter educators bring a trained and certified therapy dog to the classroom. During the third visit, New Mexico Wildlife Center staff brings two or three Ambassador Animals to meet the students, usually a hawk, an owl and perhaps one other wild—but trained—animal. The impact of meeting these animals up close is tremendous. The children not only form immediate connections with their animal guests, they also experience abstract topics like compassion and responsibility becoming real in light of their new "friends." Children are encouraged to say how they might express compassion towards a dog after meeting the canine visitor from the Animal Shelter. They are asked to think about why they should be respectful of the environment, now that they know it is home to hawks like the one they met.

Beyond the fun experience of meeting live animals, Caring Kids also meets many state educational standards. Although appropriate for a range of ages, Caring Kids is geared specifically towards fourth graders and incorporates many of the concepts and skills they are learning in class, including writing in complete sentences and summarizing topics discussed during the program. The educators provide a journal for each student. Teachers may use this journal as they choose, although many ask the students to complete a page shortly after the corresponding classroom visit.

The Rotary Club of Santa Fe provided support for this first year of programing, with grant money from their annual Pancakes on the Plaza event on the Fourth of July. New Mexico Wildlife Center and Santa Fe Animal Shelter are natural partners in this educational venture, as they are committed to "spreading compassion" and "connecting people and wildlife for an abundant tomorrow."

It really does take a village to raise a child, especially in today's increasingly technological and busy world. If we're hoping to raise caring kids, it can be especially helpful to have a little help from some of our animal villagers. To schedule a Caring Kids: Wings and Paws program for your classroom, please contact Alex Patia, alex@newmexicowildlifecenter.org, or Jarrod Klopp, jarrod@newmexicowildlifecenter.org.

is open to the public Monday through Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Santa Fe Animal Shelter is located at 100 Caja del Rio Road in Santa Fe, NM, and is





Clockwise from top: Melissa Moore dons a homemade beak with a Nature Playtime attendee; Aurora, a western screech owl, poses for Donor Camera Day; and Rufus the Bobcat enjoys playing in a box as much as a housecat!



Community

Earth: Dur Veighborhoo

Railyard Park Conservancy honors native New Mexican species

By Rebecca D'Agostine and Shannon Palermo

Fragrant flowers on the apricot

tree, privets buzzing with bees, longer hours for playing outside.... Spring is a time for children and adults alike to observe the wonders of the natural world. As the ground thaws and the plants and animals wake from their winter rest, communities across the globe will come out to witness the rejuvenation of nature. Spring is also the time of year when we come together to celebrate Earth Day and protect our shared planet.

Each community brings its unique reflections to local Earth Day celebrations. Here in Santa Fe, the Railyard Park Conservancy is collaborating with dozens of local organizations in hosting a free, family-friendly celebration on April 27 from noon to 4 p.m. in the Railyard Park, chockfull of interactive activities, demonstrations, learning opportunities, music, food and fun.

Located in Santa Fe's award-winning urban greenspace, the Railyard Park is a fitting venue for Earth Day. The park features over 28 gardens, state-of-the-art water conservation systems, bike trails, a native bee house, community gardens, pollinator gardens, rotating public art and free nature-based programing for youth. As Karen Rowell, a longtime Railyard Park Conservancy volunteer, says, "The Earth Day events in the Railyard Park are reminders of ways individuals and families can do their part to take care of the earth, and share the beauty of the Park—an often overlooked jewel in the heart of Santa Fe."

The Earth Day Network, a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit, sets the focus for each year's



celebration. The 2019 theme is Protect the Species. Referencing the importance of biodiversity, this theme gives organizers an excuse to invite local animal and bird ambassadors to the park so kids and adults can experience wildlife eye-to-eye. Visitors will also have opportunities to learn about the native plants of Santa Fe, many of which can be found in the Railyard Park. As Barbara Fix of the Native Plant Society explains, "Biodiversity makes life more interesting. In this time of climate change, native plants in all their diversity are most likely to survive and adapt as drought and weird weather intensify."

A highlight of the event will be parades throughout the park showcasing local biodiversity. Visitors are encouraged to attend dressed as a local species. Interpret it how you will, but don't worry if you don't have a black-tailed prairie dog costume laying around—or if you have no idea what a black-tailed prairie dog is. The Earth Day Celebration will include information about endangered local species, as well as a costumemaking station. Parades will leave the main stage on the hour from 1 to 3 p.m., where all animals can show off their paws, tails and feathers.

Perhaps the issues facing New Mexico's endangered species are not as alluring as the infamous plight of the polar bears losing their icecaps or the trapping of large cats in Africa. A 2011 study published by the Public Library of Science shows that children become uninterested in the plants, animals and insects in their own backyards when they are inundated with images of exotic creatures with a large "cuddle factor." With such a wealth of local biodiversity in the Railyard Park and all around Santa Fe, the Earth Day Celebration hopes to address this trend by showing children that na-

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ture is not just something exotic and far away, but right here in their own neighborhood.

With 116 animals on our state's endangered species list, much work is needed to protect our furry and feathery friends in New Mexico: Mexican longnosed bats, Arizona shrews, whooping cranes, and of course gray wolves. Right here in Santa Fe County there are 64 different species that the New Mexico Game and Fish Department consider "Species of Greatest Conservation Need." These include nine mammals, 46 birds and even a "low cuddle-factor" crustacean: the Mexican clam shrimp. Spreading awareness about species in danger of extinction locally will be the overarching theme of Railyard Park's Earth Day 2019. Visitors will be able to learn about specific species that are endangered right here in Santa Fe. And surely someone will be inspired to come dressed as a flammulated owl or a Sonoran mud turtle!

Families will also have a special spring preview of the Railyard Park Conservancy's popular Sand Play Saturday, a program for toddlers that takes place in the Children's Play Area every Saturday in the summer, with Conservancy staff and volunteers present to facilitate play with sand, water and kitchen tools. For older kids, there will be many opportunities to touch worms, compost and mud. As author David Suzuki says, "We can't blame children for occupying themselves with Facebook rather than playing in the mud. Our society doesn't put a priority on connecting with nature. In fact, too often we tell them it's dirty and dangerous." Earth Day is a great opportunity to demystify the natural world and ignite creativity and imagination.

The celebration is aiming to be a zero-waste event, a trend the Conservancy is adopting for all of its

events. Local food vendors will be offering lowwaste, compostable and recyclable packaging options. Comprehensive trash stations, where visitors can learn how to properly sort their waste between recycle, trash and compost, will be placed throughout the park. With an on-site compost pile at its community garden, the Railyard Park is a perfect place to exemplify zero-waste events.

Organizers are encouraging visitors to practice reducing their carbon footprint by taking the bus, walking or riding bikes to the Railyard Park. Tim Rogers of the Santa Fe Conservation Trust is leading a River and Acequia Cruise bike ride that ends at the Railyard Park's Earth Day Celebration. More information about the family bike ride, and all Earth Day activities in the Railyard Park, can be found at www. railyardpark.org

Like all Railyard Park Conservancy events, Earth Day is designed to educate and inspire the youth as well as the adults in our community. Expect free workshops, live music, opportunities to come face to face with threatened species, interactive activities and games for kids and families, sustainably sourced food vendors, nature play and a chance to discover the many organizations in the Santa Fe area that work to protect and enhance our local environment. We're all in this together!

For the most up-to-date information on the Earth Day Celebration, visit www.railyardpark.org. To volunteer, email shannon@railyardpark.org.

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STEM Expo honors top student innovators

By Diane Smogor

On Feb. 8, the Santa Fe Public Schools presented its

annual STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Expo and awards ceremony, in partnership with the Santa Fe Alliance for Science, at the Santa Fe Community College.

All students who won first or second place at their school's science fair earlier this year competed for grade-level awards. On the morning of Feb. 8, these students met with a "real scientist"—in most cases a retired scientist or other STEM professional who volunteered as a judge through the Santa Fe Alliance for Science—to talk about their project and share what they learned through this investigative, hands-on process. The district-wide winners in each age group were selected that day and announced that evening.

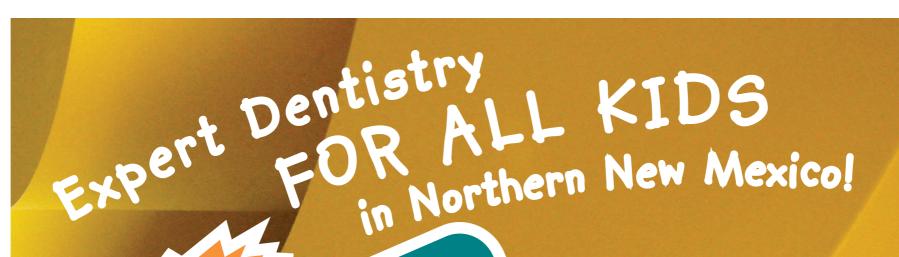
Santa Fe Alliance for Science volunteers judged 1,495 student science fair projects at approximately 23 schools throughout this school year, donating hundreds of hours to help students develop critical thinking skills and understand how STEM is part of our daily lives. At the STEM Expo and awards ceremony, hundreds of family members, teachers and community members had the opportunity to view the student projects and enjoy some pizza, while they waited for the long-anticipated awards ceremony among a room of smiling students, proud family members and enthusiastic young innovators.

For more information or to get involved with the Santa Fe Alliance for Science, please visit www.sfafs.org or contact Diane Smogor, (603) 219-1899 or info@sfafs.org.

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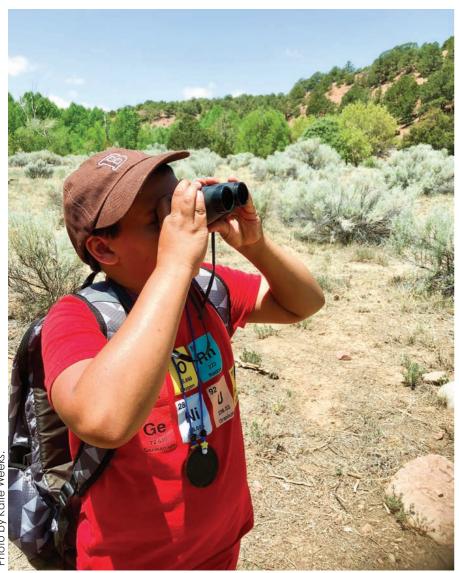
Winged migrations help curiosity take flight • By Sally Maxwell

As we welcome spring, the changes of the

season begin to appear all around us. The snow melts away, while the sun breathes life back into the greenery throughout Santa Fe. The days get longer and warmer, flowers begin to blossom, and trees don a fresh coat of leaves.

With this abundance of life, animals that disappeared for the winter begin to reappear. Some of these creatures have emerged from hibernation, where they slept for several months, lowering their heart rate, breathing rate and body temperature to survive on the fat reserves they amassed last fall. Others migrated, travelling hundreds of miles in search of warmer weather and food.

As your children notice these changes around them, helping them understand seasonal change is so valuable in helping develop their curiosity and interest in the natural world. Engaging with your children's learning through conversation, play and family time is equally as important as classroom learning. So ... how do you explain migration to your 6-year-old?



A summer camper watches birds flit amongst the junipers at the Randall Davey Audubon Center.

WELL FIRST, LET'S TALK ABOUT WHAT MIGRATION REALLY IS.

Migration is the seasonal movement of a species that travels relatively long distances in search of better climate, food or breeding ground. Many animals migrate, but birds are often the best known for their migrating behaviour. Roughly half of all bird species migrate, for many reasons. Some of their journeys last several months and cover thousands of miles. Some travel in search of a warmer climate in winter and easier access to food and water. Many birds travel to find the perfect spot to breed and raise their young. Many of the species that we see in New Mexico travel to Central and South America during the winter to find food and then return here in the spring to nest. Others spend the winter in New Mexico, then fly north when the temperatures warm up.

Birds prepare for this journey in many ways, including building up their fat reserves by eating nutritionally dense and fatty foods, toning their flying muscles and growing new feathers. Migration is triggered by many different changes, such as temperature, hours of daylight and hormones. To navigate along their journey, birds travelling shorter distances often rely on their senses of sight, smell and hearing, as well as wind patterns. Longer-distance travellers navigate using coastlines, the sun, stars and even the Earth's magnetic fields. Many animals know instinctively where to go, but some learn the routes from their parents.

HERE ARE SOME FUN MIGRATION FACTS:

- Not all birds fly to migrate. Some species of penguins do so by swimming, and emus walk long distances.
- Turkey vultures are considered partial migrants. Northern populations of turkey vultures migrate to Central America in the winter, leap-frogging their southern neighbors, who are sedentary.
- The Arctic tern migrates from its breeding grounds in the Arctic to the Antarctic and back each year, travelling over 12,000 miles so they can enjoy two summers each year.
- The rufous hummingbird, weighing less than a penny, travels from Alaska to Mexico, 4,000 miles each way.
- The bar-tailed godwit flies the farthest non-stop, for eight days from Alaska to New Zealand, completing a 7,000 mile journey over water without resting or sleeping.

Humans are one of the greatest obstacles for bird migration. City lights often confuse birds, because they appear to be stars. Buildings and large-scale development cause fatal bird collisions and destroy habitat. To help birds, turn off outside lights or close curtains at night. Add stickers, screens or special Bird-Tape to deter window collisions. By understanding migratory behavior, we can be better stewards for our flying friends.

So, back to how to teach your 6-year-old about migration. Through play! Often when we think of teaching science concepts to children it can sound either overwhelming or boring. Yet exploring the natural world is a valuable way to engage your child in inquiry-based learning. Science isn't just microscopes and lab coats, but also playing in your backyard, in a local park or at a nature center. Science exploration can happen anywhere, by anyone, at any time. This spring, watch the seasonal changes with your child and ask them what they notice. In Santa Fe, there are lots of exciting new birds we see when spring arrives.

Here are some activities you can do with your kids to help them understand migration and get them outdoors.

MAP IT OUT.

Look at a bird migration map with your children and show them where they are. Help them figure out which birds will be arriving this spring and when they are expected. There are several migration maps out there, but check out this animated map of migration in the western hemisphere at allaboutbirds.org/mesmerizingmigration-map-which-species-is-which/. Mark down on your calendar the arrival of different birds in your area then get outdoors and try to spot them.

CREATE A MIGRATION REST STATION IN YOUR BACKYARD.

By planting native plants, providing a shallow bowl of water and putting out bird seed, you can create a welcoming spot for migrating birds to rest and refuel. Birds depend on native plants for food, shelter and nesting habitat. Try planting beebalm (Monardo fistulosa), desert four o'clock (Mirbillis multiflora) and wild hyssop (Agastache cana) with your children. For more ideas about planting in your area, visit the Native Plant portal at audubon.org/native-plants.

PROVIDE A SAFE PLACE TO NEST.

Many birds that spend time in cities have a shortage of safe places to nest. Birdhouses provide safer nesting spots for migratory birds. And building them is fun too. For some tips on bird box building and placement based on the birds in your area, check out www.audubon.org/news/buildnest-box-welcome-spring-birds.

GO ON A BIRD WALK.

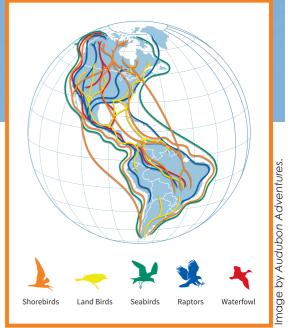
Take a day trip to a local park or nature center this spring. Go on walks in different habitats and spend



A turkey vulture soars.

time looking for birds. You'll be surprised by how many birds are found even in the middle of Santa Fe. The Randall Davey Audubon Center (1800 Upper Canyon Road, open Monday to Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is a great place to go bird-watching, with lots of feeders that attract many species of birds. On our onemile loop trail, you can explore piñon/juniper forests. There is no entrance fee, we have binoculars you can borrow, and our trails are great for families.

Sally Maxwell is an educator at the Randall Davey Audubon Center. Visit nm.audubon.org to learn more about the center and other ways to help birds.



Different types of birds follow different migratory paths, using their senses of smell, sight and hearing, as well as wind patterns, coasts, the sun, stars and even the earth's magnetic fields.





Voces de la familia

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La migración de las aves ayuda a que la imaginación alce vuelo

Por Sally Maxwell • Traducido por Flor de María Oliva

Al darle la bienvenida a la primavera, los

cambios de la estación empiezan a aparecer por todos lados. La nieve se derrite mientras que el sol le da vida al verdor por toda Santa Fe. Los días se hacen más largos y calientitos, las flores empiezan a brotar y los árboles se visten con hojas frescas.

Con esta abundancia de vida, los animales que desaparecieron para el invierno empiezan a reaparecer. Algunas de estas criaturas salen de su hibernación, después de dormir por varios meses para bajar su ritmo cardiaco, su respiración y temperatura corporal y sobrevivir con la reserva de grasas acumulada en el otoño anterior. Otras migraron, viajando cientos de millas en busca de un clima más cálido y alimentos.

A medida que sus hijos observan estos cambios a su alrededor, ayudarles a entender los cambios de las estaciones es muy importante para que vayan desarrollando su curiosidad e interés en el mundo natural. La participación en el aprendizaje de sus hijos por medio de la conversación, juego y tiempo en familia es tan importante como lo es el aprendizaje en el salón de clases. Entonces, ¿cómo explicar la migración de las aves a un niño de seis años de edad?

Bueno, para empezar, hablemos de lo que la migración es realmente.

La migración es un movimiento estacional de especies que viajan distancias relativamente grandes en busca de mejor clima, alimentación o zonas de reproducción. Muchos animales migran, pero frecuentemente las aves son las que se conocen mejor por su comportamiento migratorio. Como la mitad de las especies ornitológicas migran por muchas razones. A veces sus viajes tardan meses y cubren miles de millas. Algunas viajan en busca de un clima más cálido en el invierno y acceso más fácil a comida y agua. Muchos pájaros viajan para encontrar el mejor lugar para reproducirse y criar a sus crías. Muchas de las especies que vemos en Nuevo México viajan a América del Centro y América del Sur durante el verano para encontrar alimentos y luego regresan aquí para anidar en la primavera. Otras pasan el invierno en Nuevo México y luego vuelan al norte cuando las temperaturas suben.

Los pájaros se preparan para este viaje de muchas formas, incluso acumulando sus reservas de grasas con una dieta de alimentos nutritivamente densa y grasa, tonificando sus músculos para volar y aumentando su plumaje.

Diferentes cambios causan la migración, por ejemplo, la temperatura, las horas de luz natural y las hormonas. Para navegar a lo largo de su viaje, los pájaros que viajan distancias más cortas con frecuencia se valen de los sentidos de la vista, olfato y oído tanto como de los patrones del viento. Los que viajan distancias más largas navegan valiéndose de las líneas costeras, el sol, las estrellas y hasta los campos magnéticos de la tierra. Muchos animales instintivamente saben a dónde dirigirse, pero algunos aprenden las rutas de sus padres.

Patos interesantes sobre la migración:

- No todos los pájaros vuelan para migrar. Algunas especies de pingüinos lo hacen nadando y los emús caminan grandes distancias.
- A los buitres se les considera migrantes parciales. La población de buitres del norte migra a Centroamérica en el invierno y deja atrás a sus vecinos del sur, los cuales son sedentarios.
- La golondrina ártica migra de su zona de reproducción en el Ártico a la Antártica y de vuelta cada año en un recorrido de más de 12.000 millas para poder disfrutar dos veranos.
- El colibrí rufus, que pesa menos de lo que pesa un centavo, va de Alaska a México, un viaje de 4.000 millas.
- La aguja colipinta hace el vuelo más largo, sin parar, durante ocho días, de Alaska a Nueva Zelanda, 7.000 millas sobre el agua sin descansar o dormir. Los seres humanos son uno de los mayores obstáculos para la migración de pájaros. Las luces de la ciudad confunden a los pájaros porque les parecen ser estrellas. Los edificios y urbanizaciones en gran escala causan choques fatales de pájaros y destruyen habitats. Para ayudar a los pájaros, apague las luces de afuera y cierre las cortinas en la noche. Ponga calcomanías, rejillas o cinta adhesiva especial para pájaros para evitar los choques con las ventanas. Al entender el comportamiento migratorio, podemos ser mejores guardianes de nuestros amigos voladores.

Volviendo al tema de cómo enseñarle a un niño de seis años sobre la migración, nada mejor que el juego. Solemos pensar que enseñar conceptos de ciencias a los niños puede ser abrumador o aburrido. Pero explorar el mundo natural vale la pena para que los niños aprendan por medio de la indagación. La ciencia no es sólo cuestión de microscopios o batas de laboratorio, sino también de jugar en el patio,









Retratos de algunos de los muchos pájaros que el voluntario Tom Taylor ha visto en el Randall Davey Audubon Center.

en un parque o en un centro de la naturaleza. La exploración científica la puede hacer cualquier persona, en cualquier lugar y a cualquier hora. Esta primavera, observe los cambios estacionales con sus niños y pregúnteles qué es lo que ven. En Santa Fe hay muchos pájaros nuevos que podemos ver cuando llega la primavera.

Estas son algunas actividades que puede llevar a cabo con sus hijos para ayudarles a entender la migración y para que salgan al aire libre.

Usen un mapa

Miren un mapa de la migración de pájaros con sus hijos y muéstreles dónde se encuentran. Ayúdelos a determinar qué pájaros llegarán esta primavera y cuándo se espera que lleguen. Hay varios mapas de migración disponibles, pero déle una mirada



Campistas de verano estudian el jardín de vida silvestre en el Randall Davey Audu-

a este mapa animado de la migración en el hemisferio occidental en: allaboutbirds. org/mesmerizing-migration-map-which-species-is-which/. Anote en su calendario la llegada de los diferentes pájaros a su área y salgan afuera para reconocerlos.

Prepare una estación de descanso para los pájaros migrantes en su patio

Cuando se siembran plantas nativas, se provee un recipiente de agua y alpiste o granos para los pájaros, ustedes pueden crear un espacio acogedor para que los pájaros migrantes descansen, coman y beban algo. Los pájaros dependen de las plantas nativas para alimentarse, cobijarse y hacer sus nidos. Procure sembrar Monarda fistulosa, Mirabilis multiflora y verbena, hisopo o Agastache cana con sus hijos. Para más ideas de qué sembrar en su área, consulte el portal audubon.org/native-plants.

Otrezca un lugar seguro para anidar.

Muchos pájaros que pasan tiempo en las ciudades no tienen suficientes sitios para hacer sus nidos. Las pajareras proveen lugares seguros para anidar para los pájaros migratorios y construirlas es divertido también. Encontrará ideas para construir pajareras y para dónde ubicarlas con base en los pájaros en su área en: www.audubon.org/news/build-nest-box-welcome-spring-birds.

Vayan de paseo para ver pájaros

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Sally Maxwell es una de las educadoras en el Randall Davey Audubon Center. Visite el sitio nm.audubon.org para aprender más sobre el centro y otras formas de ayudar a los pájaros.



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Arts



Free First Sundays and Family Mornings at Folk Art make visits affordable, fun and easy

By Dawn Kaufmann

How long as it been since you took your family

to a museum? If you have a little one, or a couple of kids, you might find it's been forever! Many families may feel like a museum is not the place for little ones or a growing family. In Santa Fe, however, we are especially lucky to be surrounded by world-class museums that offer great opportunities to introduce young children to museum-going and to allow families to explore, be creative and spend time together.

A family visit to a museum might seem like an overwhelming task, full of "shoulds" and "don'ts" and other potential landmines, but the New Mexico state museums' First Free Sundays can take much of the stress out of visiting. On the first Sunday of each month, admission to the Museum of International Folk Art, Museum of Indian Arts & Culture, the New Mexico Museum of Art and the New Mexico History Museum is free for state residents with ID. Come all day or just for half an hour! At other times, admission for residents is only \$7 for adults, and entry is always free for kids 16 and under. And the Santa Fe Public Libraries have a great program where you can check out a Family Pass, which provides free admission for up to six people to any of the state museums and historic sites for a whole week.

At the Museum of International Folk Art, we are very excited to be starting a brand new series of family programing this spring on each First Free Sunday of the month. Our all-ages "Family Mornings at Folk Art," from 11 a.m. to noon, welcomes young families to explore the museum in a fun, creative atmosphere. Family Mornings at Folk Art will feature a story-time, hands-on art activities and explorations in the galleries. Each month our theme will change to incorporate imaginative explorations and movement, hands-on objects from various collections, and aspects of global geography.

We invite you to join us on March 3 for our theme, "Year of the Boar." We will learn about the Lunar New Year and animals of the Chinese zodiac during story time, then we'll color animal masks and go on a treasure hunt for pigs in our Girard Wing.

"If we want our children to move mountains, we first have to let them get out of their chairs," says Nicolette Sowder, blogger, writer and founder of the "Wildschooling" movement. New Mexico's museums are a great place to get out of your seats. In addition to observing and exploring the world through the exhibits, many museums have beautiful kid-friendly spaces that are perfect for those moments when you know your kids need to get out of the gallery (and quickly—because little bodies need lots of movement). On Museum Hill, both the Museum of International Folk Art and the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture have fabulous children's exploration rooms. The Folk Art Museum has a Tree of Life: Children's Play Area with room for movement, construction and big imaginative play. The space has wonderful open-ended building trees, with people and animals, as well as a tree puppet theater with animal puppets, puzzles, blocks, peak-a-boo windows and books. Many families with very young children find themselves skipping the galleries entirely just to spend more free time in this enchanting space.

When the crew is ready for some fresh air, or just wants to pop outside to move around before exploring inside more, Museum Hill's Milner Plaza has its own labyrinth, which is a veritable kid magnet. The low wall that encircles it creates a mysterious echo in a special spot within the labyrinth. The Plaza has plenty of open space, surrounded by the beautiful Santa Fe foothills, for children to roam. Behind the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture is a wonderful walking trail through a sandy arroyo, and across the parking lot the Santa Fe Botanical

Garden provides other wonderful kid-friendly places to explore. Pack snacks or a lunch to eat with your kids at picnic tables in Milner Plaza, or in the indoor Atrium at the Museum of International Folk Art.

The joy of viewing art, or excitement of looking at real pieces of history, or delight of experiencing pieces of traditions and cultures from around the world with your child is that you both can explore together. Young children's focus and attention may shift quickly, so flexibility is key. In any gallery space, a fun and easy game of exploration might involve finding the colors of the rainbow, different shapes, animals, body parts or emotions on people's faces. Young readers might enjoy reading labels out loud to learn how old something is or where it was made. Ask them to imagine living in a painting scene or having a sculpture in your home. These investigations don't have right answers, and parents don't need to know anything about the topic of an exhibit ahead of time. Play some games of exploration open ended, creative and fun.

Walking around a museum together, you can experience the thrill of finding something new, different, beautiful or perhaps strange. Sharing moments of "Hey! Look at this!" and discovering what your child has found exciting and worth investigating, are the foundations for a lifetime of adventurous learning.

Now that you know how museums make family time fun, we can't wait to see you and your family up at the museums—soon!

Dawn Kaufmann is an educator at the Museum of International Folk art and runs docent and volunteer education program. She has two young museum lovers of her own.



Visitors to the Museum of International Folk Art observe, explore and create

LOS NIÑOS JUEGAN Y APRENDEN EN LOS MUSEOS

Por Kemely Gomez

En el Museo de Arte Folclórico Internacional, estamos muy emocionados de comenzar una nueva serie de programas familiares gratuitos esta primavera cada primer domingo del mes. "Family Mornings at Folk Art" es un programa para todas las edades, de las 11 a.m. hasta el mediodía, y da la bienvenida a las familias para que exploren el museo en un ambiente divertido y creativo. Consistirá de cuentos, actividades prácticas de arte y exploraciones en las galerías. Cada mes, nuestro tema cambiará para incorporar exploraciones y movimientos imaginativos, el uso de objetos de nuestras colecciones y aspectos de la geografía global.

Te invitamos a que te unas a nosotros el 3 de marzo para nuestro tema, "El año del cerdo". Aprenderemos sobre el Año Nuevo Lunar y los animales del zodiaco chino durante la hora de cuentos, luego colorearemos máscaras de animales e iremos en búsqueda de tesoros en la galería de Girard.

Kemely Gomez es una educadora bilingüe en el Museum of International Folk Art.

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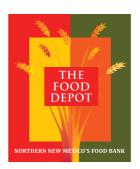
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Noisy Acorns



Santa Fe Talks, a year-long push for community

service to boost children's literacy, launched Feb. 7 with a kick-off event at the Violet Crown Theater, supported by author George R.R. Martin. Described as a cross between a TED talk, a poetry slam and a short film festival, the uplifting evening featured such luminaries as Santa Fe Mayor Alan Webber, media personality and activist Alexis Jones of Survivor fame, and a cast of inspirational local students and adults.

Santa Fe Talks is organized by the Santa Fe School for the Arts and Sciences, a local expeditionary-learning school. Throughout the year we hope to inspire Santa Feans to collectively commit one million hours of service and to raise \$40,000 for local literacy and service programs.

In a new twist of an old fundraising tactic, the school asked Martin to match every dollar raised in donations and ticket sales for Santa Fe Talks, to support the literacy efforts of Opportunity Santa Fe, a collective-impact initiative managed by the Santa Fe Community Foundation. We suspected that the

Game of Thrones author would feel an affinity to the project through his connection to a family at the Santa Fe School for the Arts and Sciences and his commitment to literacy. Martin agreed to match the money we raise, up to \$20,000.

Service is a habit many parents would like to instill in their children. Santa Fe Talks gives families an incentive to quantify this involvement and commit to a specific number of hours. Participants are encouraged to use the hashtags #SantaFeTalks

> and #StoryofService to share their experiences on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, and to post how many hours they will commit to service in 2019. They can also visit the school's website, santafeschool. org, to complete a Google form so that their hours can be included in the million-hour goal.

Learning to read is critical for a child's success in school and confidence as a student, yet only one quarter of third graders in Santa Fe were considered proficient readers on 2015-16 PARCC test scores. Hundreds of children across Santa Fe need extra support in learning to read, but many families cannot afford a private tutor or enrollment in a reading program.



Above: Diego Sy explains why he founded Diego's World, to combat homelessness, at the Santa Fe Talks kick-off. Below: Emilio Leon and Isa Clark describe the joy of tutoring younger students.







Santa Fe Talks aims to inspire community members to donate time to reading programs, social service programs, or any Santa Fe organization for which they feel a commitment. The kick-off event gathered about 150 people, including 50 children and youth, many of whom had never been to the Violet Crown before. The children were treated as VIPs, with a red carpet, front row seatng, a reception with pizza and drinks, and an evening of stories of volunteering and activism.

Guest speakers included Sophia Lussiez, president of Students United, who rallied youth after the Parkland shooting; 13-year-old Diego Sy, who advocates for those experiencing homelessness; seventh graders Isa Clark and Emilio Leon, who tutor younger students in the Reading is Magic program; Capital High Spoken Word Club poets

Fernanda Quintanilla, Karyme Rios and Claudia Mendez Muniz; CASA advocate Veronica Krupnick; students of the Dyslexia Justice League, youth tutors, and other advocates.

The evening also premiered Meow Wolf's short film about Reading Quest, a local nonprofit that provides free tutoring and trains Santa Fe Public School teachers in a phonics-based approach that promotes a growth mindset and makes reading fun.

"We have a saying: 'We are crew, not passengers,' said Todd Stiewing, principal of Santa Fe School for the Arts & Sciences. "Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of service, and we believe one of the primary functions of a school is to prepare kids with the attitudes and skills to learn from and to be of service."

As Mayor Webber said, "The most important thing you can do in life is help other people. We

are all connected. The more we help each other, the better we all do together. I have a lot of friends who have spent their entire lives making other people's lives better. People give them awards for all of their service, but the truth is their lives were illuminated by the work they did to help others."

For more information about Santa Fe Talks and a list of places where families can volunteer, visit SantaFeSchool.org or call (505) 438-8585.

Perli Cunanan is the executive director of the Santa Fe School for the Arts and Sciences.

Got a Noisy Acorn? This column promotes volunteering, legislative action and other advocacy steps we can take on behalf of children and families. Send your ideas to us at info@sftumbleweeds.com or (505) 984-3171.

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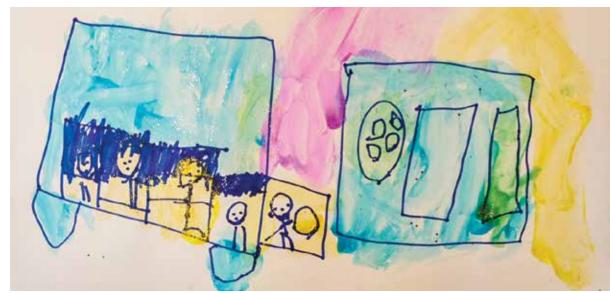
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Santa Fe's first wilderness skills spring break camp for kids ages 7 to 12 will introduce students to the outdoors in an engaging and supportive environment. Daily activities include fun and useful outdoor skills such as plant identification, carving, knot tying, fort building and more. Daily short hike, active and creative outdoor games, and art. March 18 to 22, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. \$75/day or \$300/week. Contact Emilio Shah to sign up: (206) 914-9104 or emilioshah@yahoo.com.

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LOWRANCE FAMILY YMCA SPRING BREAK CAMP

Children ages 5 to 12 will enjoy a week of fun and exciting activities, March 18 to 22. \$130. CYFD and financial aid available. Lowrance Family YMCA, 6537 Airport Road, Santa Fe. Call (505) 595-1515 or visit www.ymcacnm.org.

MOTHER'S FARM SPRING BREAK CAMP

Full-day camp for ages 5 to 15, March 18 to 22, on a 10acre farm off NM 14, outside Santa Fe. Horses to ride and touch. Clay to hand-harvest and sculpt and make pots. Golden retriever puppies to love. Outdoor games, organic gardens, water play, nature walks along the springs, yoga to feel good in our bodies, art and music to make experiential connections. Transportation from Salvador Perez soccer field parking on Alta Vista 8:20 a.m., with 4:30 p.m. drop off. \$259/week. Visit www.mothersfarmschool.com or email mothersfarm@yahoo.com

SANTA FE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM SPRING BREAK CAMP: **ROCK IT TO THE MOON**

Weeklong STEAM Camp for ages 6 to 12, March 18 to 22, \$265/week. Explore themes including geology, aviation, astronomy, art and music. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

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Kids second through sixth grade run away with the circus! Students in our popular circus camps are physically active, learn teamwork and have a ton of fun. Learn stilt-walking, unicycling, aerial fabric, trapeze, juggling, puppet-making, clowning and more. All in a safe, noncompetitive environment. March 18 through 22, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Camps fill up quickly. Tuition assistance and after-care available. \$285. wwww.wisefoolnewmexico.org. Wise Fool Studios, 1131-B Siler Road, Santa Fe.

SUMMER CAMPS & PROGRAMS

Let your muse come out to play. Join Liza Myers, Vermont Art Educator of the Year, in her teaching studio, a creative haven for ages 7 to 17. Drawing, watercolor, acrylic, collage, clay, printmaking, book arts, metal foil, felt art and more. Call Liza . (802) 236-8062 or go to www.lizamyers.com/aartz-classes/.

ACEQUIA MADRE LITTLE THEATER CAMP

Join us for summer acting camp, ages 8 through 13, at Acequia Madre Elementary School, open to the community, June 3 to July 12, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Children will learn history, write the script and perform in a musical theater production on July 12 and 13. For more information, call Rachel Montez, (505) 501-3215.

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Join us for innovative weeklong theme camps in the ARTsmart Community Studio, where students create unique, expressive works of art. The \$150 fee includes all materials and healthy snacks. Camps offered for grades K through three, and grades three through six. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon. Limited number of income-based scholarships available. Visit www.artsmartnm.org for registration and schedules or call (505) 992-2787 for more information.

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CHRIST CHURCH SANTA FE MISSION CAMP

The theme for this year's Mission Camp is Focus on Cuba, an exciting week filled with engaging music, crafts and activities. June 10 to 14, 9 a.m. to noon, for ages 4 to 12. Cost: \$10. Snacks provided. For more information or to register, call (505) 982-8817 or visit or www.christchurchsantafe.org.

CITY OF SANTA FE 2019 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

Eight-week program, June 3 through July 25, at various Santa Fe locations to be announced for ages 6 to 12, and at the Carlos Ortega Teen Center for ages 13 and up. Sliding fee scale. Registration takes place May 11 online, or at 500 Market Street, Suite 200, for those who do not have access to a computer. A birth certificate for 6-year-olds and proof of annual household income are required. Registration form and locations will be posted at www.santafenm.gov/ summer youth program.

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Summer Spotlight

Singing and Dancing THROUGH AMERICAN HISTORY

The Acequia Madre Little Theater

returns for its second season this summer to teach children music and dance through the lens of American history.

The program began last summer with eight children ages 8 through 12. For six weeks the children were engaged in body and mind as they gathered to research, brainstorm, write an original script, sing, dance and produce a staging of "100 Years of Music."

Equipped with theater lighting, costumes and a state of the art sound system, the Acequia Madre Elementary School theater provides an ideal venue for such a production. Local artist Teresa Mowka taught the children the art of set design. Children designed and created their own Oldsmobile, bicycles, a "Rock Around the Clock" instrument, a "Thriller" haunted house, as well as "Don't Worry" birds and accompanying backdrop. Their creations supplemented each chapter of the script, enhancing and defining the era and the mood of America decade by decade.

Children danced to "Yankee Doodle," "Singing in the Rain," "Daisy, Daisy," and "Merry Oldsmobile, " with choreography and piano accompaniment by Laura ReVelle Swartz. Although the children had never heard the latter two pieces, they quickly fell in love with the lively rhythms and quirky lyrics.

Myriah Duda, graduate of New Mexico School for the Arts and current theater arts student at the University of New Mexico, brought an energetic spirit to her choreography for "Route 66," "Staying Alive," and "Thriller." Following Duda's lead, one of the children, Violet Salazar, even choreographed "I Want to Hold Your Hand" and taught her dance to the other children.

The 2019 summer program will focus on the theme of American presidents, told through the lens of Broadway shows. Enrollment

will be limited to 20, which will allow all children a chance to be in the spotlight with speaking roles and participation in small song and dance groups. Children will watch clips from Broadway shows, then choose the songs to use from these shows that will compliment our script.

Offered at Acequia Madre Elementary School, the camp is open to all students. Director Rachel Montez taught at Acequia Madre Elementary for 25 years and is presently the school's performing arts teacher. For more information, contact Montez at (505) 501-3215.

- Rachel Montez, Acequia Madre Little Theater



QUEEN BEE MUSIC CAMPS Buzz into Town

dance in the summer production.

After several successful

summers in Colorado, Queen Bee Music Association brings two new music day camps to Santa Fe.

Impact Music Camp, for ages 6 through 9, will focus on the fundamentals of music, with an emphasis on ukulele and percussion.

Kids' Bluegrass Camp, for ages 7 through 15, will teach campers to play in a bluegrass band, write songs and advance their individual skills through instrument break-out sessions. Both camps will meet at Desert Academy, 7300 Old Santa Fe Trail, in Santa Fe.

Queen Bee may be new to Santa Fe but its founders have worked

together for years. Lindsay Taylor, executive director, and Brian Nelson, artistic director, met at Swallow Hill

Music, a nonprofit music school and concert venue in Denver, where Nelson taught infants through adults on a variety of instruments and directed camps for elementary-age kids, and Taylor was the marketing director. Both worked in partnership with the Crested Butte Music Festival since 2014 to provide an annual kids' bluegrass camp, which they are excited to share with the Santa Fe community this summer.

Summer camps are just the beginning of what Queen Bee plans to offer in Santa Fe. In the fall of 2019 they will add early childhood music groups, after-school programing and adult guitar and ukulele classes to the rotation. A variety of live music events are already being scheduled for those who prefer to listen rather than play.

To learn more about the Queen Bee Music Association, Impact Music Camp and Kids Bluegrass Camp, visit queenbeemusicassociation.org, or find them on social media @queenbeemusica.

- Brian Nelson, Queen Bee Music Association



Kids' Bluegrass Camp comes to Santa Fe this summer.

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FOREST BOUND: A WINDOW INTO NATIVE PLANTS

Weeklong immersion for ages 14 to 18, exploring native plants through botanical, environmental, social and cultural lenses. Two locations: Santa Fe and Cibola National Forests. Through daily hands-on experiences and mentorship workshops with conservationist and environmental leaders, students gain skills in seed cleaning, plant monitoring, identification, botanical terms and ethnobotany, and receive a certificate of completion in Basic Native Plant Ecology. Albuquerque sessions: June 3 to 7 and July 8 to 12. Santa Fe sessions: June 17 to 21 and July 22 to 26. Visit www.appliedeco.org/getoutdoors or email forestbound@appliedeco.org.

GENTLE SHEPHERD PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

For children ages 3 to 5, June 3 to 27 (four weeks), Monday to Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. After-care available until 3 p.m. \$80 for three days/week; \$100 for four days. Weekly themes: Gardening/Summer in New Mexico; Gone Camping/Folk Music, Zoo/Animals in the Wild, and Puppets/Drama. 209 E. Barcelona Road, Santa Fe, (505) 577-5344 or (505) 983-9383.

GOLDEN ACORNS SUMMER CAMP

Join Golden Acorns Summer Camp of Living Arts & Culture, now in our ninth year. Curriculum promotes and teaches healthy and sustainable living practices such as Yoga and T'ai Chi, gardening, permaculture, herbalism, fun and healthy cooking, and compassionate communication. We also feature African dance and drumming, breakdancing, graffiti art, puppet making, healing arts and more. For ages 4 to 11, and a Leadership Program for ages 12 to 14. Visit www.goldenacornscamp. org or call (505) 795-9079.

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HANDS-ON HERITAGE

Five-week Santa Fe Public Schools program for grades four to eight combines hands-on learning with two weekly field trips to museums and other natural and cultural sites to explore heritage of northern New Mexico. Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., starting third week in June. Two locations: El Camino Real Academy and Kearny Elementary School. \$250/student, \$50/additional child. Scholarships available. Applications available at both sites and on SFPS website. Contact Stephanie Walther, swalther@sfps.k12.nm.us, (505) 467-4589.

JEFF SPEAKMAN'S KENPO 5.0 SANTA FE

Our program will help your child learn life skills, such as self-confidence, respect, nonviolent conflict resolution and self-discipline, in an active and fun environment. May 28 to June 7, June 10 to 21, June 24 to 28, July 29 to Aug. 9. \$199/week or \$350/two-weeks. For children ages 6 through 12, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. After-school program also available. For details call (505) 412-2428, email kenpo5.0santafe@gmail.com, or visit www.jeffspeakmankenponm.com.

LITTLE EARTH SUMMER DAY CAMP

Memorable summer experiences for children ages 4 to 9, June 3 through Aug. 9. Five two-week sessions for all ages. Minimum enrollment: one session. Four or five days/week. Ten percent tuition discount for children who enroll for the entire summer. Art, cooking, weekly nature field trips, swimming and games. Low student/teacher ratio. Enrollment limited. For more information or to request a brochure and preregistration form, call (505) 988-1968. Little Earth School, 321 West Zia Road, Santa Fe, www.littleearthschool.org.

LOS ALAMOS NATURE CENTER SUMMER CAMP

Let nature be your child's classroom this summer, with classrooms ranging from the riverbeds and canyons of the Rio Grande Valley to the headwaters of the Jemez River. The camps provide wonderful ways to explore the diverse ecosystems and cultures of northern New Mexico. Offering programs for children entering fourth through 12th grade. For dates, pricing and registration visit www.peecnature.org/events/summer-camps or call (505) 662-0460.

MARTIAL ARTS TRAINING CENTER SUMMER CAMP

Summer camps from June through August: Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Kids ages 7 to 13 will gain self-confidence while having a great time. Black Belt forms, bo staff, nunchaku



Isla said, "I liked everyone riding the bikes."

to music, ninja games, throwing stars, art projects, water balloons. Lots of movement and safe fun. Great facility on the corner of Agua Fria and Siler Road upstairs, in Santa Fe. Special girls' camp offered the week of June 10 for ages 7 to 15. Visit www.martialartstrainingcenter.biz or call (505) 982-7083.

MAY CENTER SUMMER LEAP

Help your child take a LEAP this summer in reading, writing, math, engineering and art. Designed for students from early childhood through ninth grade. Early Childhood Summer Program: June 17 to Aug. 2 (no classes July 3 and 4) and Summer LEAP Programs: July 8 to Aug. 2 for first through ninth grade. For details, call (505) 983-7407 or visit www.maycenter.org.

MOTHER'S FARM SCHOOL SUMMER CAMPS

Eight weeklong, full-day camps on our 10-acre farm off NM 14, outside Santa Fe, from May 23 through mid-August, for ages 5 to 15. Full Moon Overnight Camp, July 15 to 19 for ages 7 to 15, girls in the tipi, boys in tents. Horses, gardening, water play, yoga, nature walks, art, music and more. \$259/ week day camp, \$649/week overnight camp. Transportation from Salvador Perez soccer field parking on Alta Vista, 8:20 a.m., with 4:30 p.m. drop-off. Visit www.mothersfarmschool. com or email mothersfarm@yahoo.com.

MOUNTAIN KIDS!

The Santa Fe camp for outdoor adventure and nature-based learning. Campers ages 5 to 15 go on daily adventures in the mountains to explore and learn through play, skill-building and guided experiences in nature. Children develop self-confidence, teamwork, and a love of nature and all it provides. Campers learn wilderness and outdoor skills essential for survival and enjoyment in the natural world. Forts & Forests, Backpacking, Mountain Biking, Cooking in Nature, Survival Hunting Tools and more. Check out all of our offerings at www.sfmountainkids.com.

NDI-NEW MEXICO SUMMER DANCE CAMPS

Early Steps (ages 3 to 6): Session I, June 24 to July 3; Session II, July 22 to 31. Arts in Motion Too! (ages 7 to 12): Session I, June 24 to 28, Session II, July 22 to 26. Arts in Motion (ages 12-18): July 8 to 19. Adult ballet Monday to Thursday 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Adult beginning ballet Monday and Wednesday noon to 1 p.m. Contact Danny Silver, Dance Barns Producer, (505) 795-7088 or dsilver@ndi-nm.org.

NEW MEXICO WILDLIFE CENTER DISCOVERY CAMPS

Wildlife Explorers (grades one to three): Meet our animal ambassadors up close. Week of fun animal-themed games, arts, and crafts. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 24 to 28. Nature Explorers (grades four to six): Looking for an adventure filled week all about wildlife? Campers will learn about wildlife and their habitats as we hike and explore the beautiful terrain of northern New Mexico. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., July 8 to 12 or July 15 to 19. All camps \$125/child. Financial aid available. (505) 753-9505.

OAKS COUNSEL YOUTH SUMMER DAY CAMP

Ages 11 to 14 spend a week outdoors learning skills: tracking, bird language, and storytelling. Connect with nature, develop new friendships, and discover yourself and the natural world. Explore, play and create. July 8 to 12, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$500. Led by Michelle Katz, MA and Marc Reynolds, MA, both wilderness guides who incorporate practices in outdoor education, mentoring and wilderness therapy. Email connect@oakscounsel.com.

PANDEMONIUM PRODUCTIONS' MUSICAL THEATRE SUMMER CAMP

Pandemonium Productions offers its musical theater summer camp for ages 7 to 17, June 17 through July 28. Students study acting, singing and dancing and perform in a Broadway-style musical at the James A. Little Theater. Rehearsals take place at the New Mexico School for the Arts, Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuition is \$795 paid in full. \$810 payment plan. \$100 deposit required with registration. Space is limited; scholarships available. For more information, call (505) 920-0704 or visit www.pandemoniumprod.org.

QUEEN BEE MUSIC ASSOCIATION

Kids' Bluegrass Camp for ages 7 to 14 in Crested Butte, Colorado, July 8 to 12, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$299. Kids' Bluegrass Camp for ages 7 to 14 at Desert Academy, July 15 to 19, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$290. Impact Music Camp for ages 6 to 9 at Desert Academy, July 29 to Aug. 2, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., \$265. Visit queenbeemusicassociation.org.

RIO GRANDE SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

Weekly camps for grades K through six and a pre-K camp for 3- and 4- year olds, June through August, integrate enriched learning experiences with play, creative expression and adventure-based learning. Morning, afternoon and full-day options available. Campers attending the morning session choose an enrichment class in which they learn alongside our educators. Afternoon sessions take advantage of a lovely, safe five-acre campus and focus on adventure education, design-thinking, and trips to museums and other exciting locales. Rio Grande School. 715 Camino Cabra, Santa Fe, (505) 983-1621.

SANTA FE CLIMBING CENTER CAMPS & CLASSES

Summer camps with indoor and outdoor climbing, wilderness survival skills, hikes and other outdoor adventure-based activities. Weeklong camps from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., \$349 per week. Multi-day summer camps for ages 5 to 8, May 28, June 3, 10, 17, 24, Aug. 5, 12 and 19. Ages 9 to 13: June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 29, Aug. 5, 12 and 19. Ages 12 to 15: July 29. 3008 Cielo Court. Call (505) 986-8944 or visit www.climbsantafe.com/camps/.

SANTA FE PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUMMER ARTS CAMP

SFPS Music and Art Camp classes include general music and art for elementary students grades K through six and the options of band, choir, string orchestra and guitar for grades five to 12. June 3 to 28 at E.J. Martinez Elementary School, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon, and culminates in a performance after each two-week session. Tuition is \$250/child, or \$300 with visual arts. Limited partial-scholarships available. Please ask about an application. Register by May 1. For more information, contact SFPS Summer Arts Camp Coordinator, Janine Sammeth at jsammeth@sfps.k12.nm.us or call (505) 467-4938.

Spring Break & Summer Camp Directory

SANTA FE PUBLIC SCHOOL SUMMER PROGRAMS

Santa Fe Public Schools offers high quality summer programs that both increase learning and offer fun, innovative and engaging enrichment activities. Programs are designed for different levels of students from grades K through 12. Programs support themes including biomedical sciences, engineering, the joy of reading, the culture of New Mexico, and music and art. Look for updated information on sfps.info in mid-March to access specific details regarding sites and programs.

SANTA FE SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS & SCIENCES SUMMER

Weekly camps for ages 3 to 14, June 10 through Aug. 12, 9 a.m to 3 p.m. with before- and after-care available, are led by experienced teachers and have low camper/ teacher ratios. Themes include Pollination Power (ages 3) to 4), Bang that Beat (ages 5 to 6), Pokémon (ages 7 to 9) and Computer Hacking (ages 10 to 14). Most camps \$230/week. Scholarships available. Call (505) 438-8585 and visit www.santafeschool.org for online registration and descriptions of more than 30 camp themes. 5912 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe.

SANTA FE TENNIS AND SWIM CLUB SUMMER CAMPS

Located at 1755 Camino Corrales in the scenic Museum Hill neighborhood, Santa Fe Tennis & Swim Club offers a wonderful family experience with tennis, swimming, pickleball and junior programs. Family Pool Passes are on sale now. Our High Altitude Tennis Academy Camp (ages 8 and up) runs through the summer. We also offer after-school programs. Visit santafetennis.net or santafetennisacademy.com for more information, or call (505) 988-4100.

SANTA FE WALDORF SCHOOL

Eight weeklong themed sessions for children entering grades two through five, open to the community, June 10 to Aug. 9 (no camp the week of July 8), Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to

3:30 p.m. After-care available until 5:30 p.m. Early bird pricing until April 1. Santa Fe Waldorf School, 26 Puesta del Sol, Santa Fe. For more information or to register, visit www.santafewaldorf. org/camps or email camps@santafewaldorf.org.

SANTA FE YMCA SUMMER CAMPS

Children ages 5 to 12 will enjoy all the benefits of a traditional camp—new experiences, skill building, community and lasting friendships. Weekly themes are designed to encourage children to explore exciting activities, including arts and crafts, sports, recreational swimming, field trips and more. May 28 to Aug. 2. \$130/week. CYFD and financial aid available. Two locations: Piñon Elementary School, 2921 Camino del los Caballos, Santa Fe, and Lowrance Family YMCA, 6537 Airport Road, Santa Fe. For more information call (505) 595-1515 or visit www.ymcacnm.org.

SCHOOL OF ASPEN SANTA FE BALLET SUMMER SESSIONS

Learn in a supportive environment that fosters confidence. technique and artistry. Classes for children ages 3 and up in creative dance, ballet, jazz, folklórico, hip-hop and more. Studio locations in Santa Fe and Eldorado. Summer session classes start June 3. For more information, call (505) 983-5591 or visit www.aspensantafeballet.com.

SKATE SCHOOL SANTA FE

Ramps and Bowls Camps: Expert instruction for ages 8 and up, mornings at public skate parks, afternoons at our indoor park, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekly camps beginning June 3, June 10, July 1, July 15 and July 22. \$275 plus tax. Longboard Camps: Ride the school's boards and learn to turn, stop and slide, on local bike paths and indoor park, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 17 to 19, July 8 to 10, and July 29 to 31. Ages 9 and up. \$200 plus tax. 825 Early Street #H, Santa Fe (505) 474-0074. www.skateboardsafety.com.

TEEN MEDITATION & AYURVEDIC ASTROLOGY CAMP

Get high with meditation, understand the basics of Ayurvedic

lifestyle and medicine, discover the forgotten language of astrology, align your body, mind and spirit with the cosmic bodies, and fine tune your psychic powers. \$320/week. Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Ayurvedic gluten-free breakfast, snack, and lunch included. Week 1: June 10 to 14; Week 2: June 17 to 21; Week 3: June 24 to 28; Week 4: July 8 to 12; Week 5: July 15 to 19. Call or text (505) 818-7220.

THE CANDYMAN STRINGS & THINGS SUMMER ROCK CAMP

At the Candyman Strings & Things Summer Rock Camp, participants will form a band with peers, learn songs from their favorite bands and improve their playing skills. Bands will develop their identity and logo, record an album at a professional recording studio, interview live on the radio, perform at a rock concert and more. Participants also enjoy pizza parties, camp photos and videos, digital albums and a camp t-shirt or cap. Call (505) 983-5906 or visit www. candymansf.com for dates, registration and more information.

WEE SPIRIT NURSERY

Splashing in pools, sand play, painting, clay, woodwork, crafts, baking, songs, puppet shows, acting and much, much more. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., plus optional after-care to 2:30 p.m. Two teachers; 12 children: ages 3, 4 and 5. Eight-week summer session in June and July, and year-round program. Call Joan Kennedy, Waldorf teacher, (505) 471-8932.

WISE FOOL SUMMER CIRCUS CAMP

Kids first through 12th grade run away with the circus! Students in our popular circus camps are physically active, learn teamwork, and have a ton of fun. Learn stilt-walking, unicycling, aerial fabric, trapeze, juggling, puppet-making, clowning and more. All in a safe, noncompetitive environment. June 17 through Aug. 2, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Camps fill up quickly. Tuition assistance and after-care available. Cost varies based on age and session. www.wisefoolnewmexico.org. Wise Fool Studios, 1131-B Siler Road, Santa Fe.

One Last Chance!

If you missed listing your program in the **Summer Camp Directory in this issue, fear not! Tumbleweeds' 2019 Summer Camp and Program Directory will appear in our Summer Issue!**

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Questions? Call (505) 984-3171 or info@sftumbleweeds.com

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Spring 2019 Calendar – March

Events are free, or included in the price of museum admission, unless otherwise noted. Be sure to check our website, www.sftumbleweeds. com/calendar, for events scheduled after we go to press.

MARCH

1 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Hands-on program for 3- to 5-year-olds and their caregivers. Listen to a book and participate in interactive nature and garden related activities. Santa Fe Botanical Garden, 715 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe, (505)

1 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Fine Art Friday**

Weekly explorations into the arts with special guests and hands-on activities. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

1 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M. **Nature Up Close: Reptiles**

Pet a snake or ask a member of the critter team questions about animal exhibits. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, (505) 662-0460.

1 FRIDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Wild Spirit Wolf Santuary**

Come learn about wolves and the Wild Spirit Wolf Sanctuary. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

1 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M. First Friday Art Activity

Create drawings while exploring the use of color in modern artwork. All ages. Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, 217 Johnson Street, Santa Fe, (505) 946-1000.



Baux said, "The one boy was on that way high swing.

1 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M. First Friday Evening

New Mexico residents enjoy free entry with state ID. New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 West Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 476-5063.

1 FRIDAY, 5:30-7 P.M. Teen Science Café

Free teen-friendly presentations and activities with local scientists, engineers and other professionals. Explora, 1701 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque, (505) 224-8300.

1 FRIDAY, 6 AND 7 P.M. First Friday Fractals

An award-winning full-dome planetarium show that takes viewers on a tour of the fractals in nature and zooms through infinitely complex mathematical fractals. Featurina original music, the show is educational and entertaining, for audiences 3 and up. Two showings, with separate admission: Adults \$10, seniors \$7, children (ages 3 to 12) \$5. New Mexico Museum of Natural History

and Science, 1801 Mountain Road NW. Albuquerque, (505) 841-2800.

1 FRIDAY, 7-8 P.M. March Night Sky Show

Learn what is coming up in March's night skies at an interactive tour of the heavens. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, (505) 662-0460.

1 FRIDAY, 7:30-9:30 PM Carnaval 2019

A dazzling spectacle of dance, music and costumes, featuring the band PANdemonium and the Odara Dance Ensemble, showcasing the Carnaval celebrations of Cuba, Trinidad, Brazil and New Orleans, National Hispanic Cultural Center, 1701 Fourth Street SW, Albuquerque, (505) 724-4771.

1 FRIDAY, 8 AND 9 P.M. Fractals Rock!

Zoom into the infinite world of fractals in this dramatic and beautiful live show. Accompanied by original music in surround sound, this is similar to the Friday Fractals show but with "less talk more rock." Two showings, with separate admission: Adults \$10, seniors \$7, children (ages 3 to 12) \$5. New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science, 1801 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque, (505) 841-2800.

2 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-NOON **Opera Makes Sense**

And introduction to the world of opera for preschool aged children. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

2 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-NOON ¡Vamos al Museo!

Family program includes a 30-minute museum tour focused on an art form, source inspiration, artist or type of material, after which families create art in the Pete V. Domenici Education Building "Messy Classroom." National Hispanic Cultural Center, 1701 Fourth Street SW, Albuquerque, (505) 246-2261.

2 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Be the conductor of "O scale" model trains. Control their speed, pick up passengers, move cargo, decorate the trains and build whatever you can imagine. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

2 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. Science Saturdays

Scientists and STEM instructors conduct experiments, explorations and demonstrations... Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

2 SATURDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. **Try Hockey for Free**

Santa Fe Hockey Association invites you to experience hockey. Bring a bicycle helmet and winter gloves. Skates provided for free. Genoveva Chavez Community Center, 3221 West Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, sfcapitals@aol.

2 SATURDAY, 7:30-9:30 PM Carnaval 2019

National Hispanic Cultural Center. See March 1 listina.

3 SUNDAY, 9 A.M.-5 P.M. Free Entry at the Museum of Natural **History**

On the first Sunday of every month, admission is free to all New Mexico residents. Bring an ID or proof of residence. New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science, 1801 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque, (505) 841-2800.

3 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Free First Sundays**

Admission is free on the first Sunday of every month to New Mexico residents with ID to the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, 710 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe; Museum of International Folk Art, 706 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe; New Mexico History Museum, 113 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe; and the New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 West Palace Avenue Santa Fe

3 SUNDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Family Mornings at Folk Art

Story time, hands-on art activities and explorations in the galleries on the museum's "Free First Sunday." Today's theme is "Year of the Boar." Museum of International Folk Art, 706 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe, (505) 476-1200.

3 SUNDAY, 2-4 P.M. **Lensic Family Fun Day**

A free afternoon of music and fun. Games, crafts and other activities start at 2 p.m. and the concert begins at 3 p.m. Lensic Performing Arts Center, 211 West San Francisco Street, Santa Fe, (505) 988-1234.

4 MONDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Join local families for hands-on activities, hikes, games and stories in nature. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, (505)

4 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Stories, sonas and lots of fun. All ages welcome. Bee Hive Books, 328 Montezuma Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 780-8051.

4 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

A gentle yoga class inspired by the cycles and wisdom of nature, to help women gain flexibility and build strength in preparation for, or in recovery from, childbirth. United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria, 3164 Agua Fria Road, Santa Fe, (505) 819-0137.



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4 MONDAY, 6-7 P.M. **Hospital Tour for Expecting Couples**

Follow the path of getting admitted to the hospital when you are in labor, including where to go for registration and what will happen during your assessments. RSVP: info@ thebirthingtree.com. Christus St. Vincent Regional Medical Center, 455 St. Michaels Drive, Santa Fe.

4 MONDAY, 6:30-8 P.M. **Birth Talk Los Alamos**

Community talk circle to share stories and learn about options in pregnancy, childbirth and the postpartum period. Los Alamos Family Strengths Network, 3540 Orange Street, Los Alamos, (505) 662-4515.

5 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Books, songs and finger games for ages 6 months to 2 years. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 955-6837.

5 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Stories, rhymes, songs and crafts for ages 2 to 5. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, Santa Fe, (505) 955-4863.

5 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. **Story Time**

A special time for toddlers and preschoolers to experience the joys of books and the library. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Santa Fe, (505) 466-7323.

5 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Books, songs and finger games for ages 6 months to 2 years. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, Santa Fe, (505) 955-4863.

6 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum opens an hour early with toddler-focused activities and story time. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

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6 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Toddler Tunes**

Children and parents experiment with percussion instruments and sing together.

6 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Stories, rhymes, songs and crafts for ages 2 to 5. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

6 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

6 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Books, songs and finger games for ages 6 months to 2 years. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

6 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Learn the art of playing chess. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 955-6837.

7 THURSDAY, 10-11 A.M. Music Time With Andy Mason

Dance, sing, play musical instruments and shake your sillies out with local children's musician Andy Mason. Songs in English and Spanish. United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria, 3164 Agua Fria Road, Santa Fe, (505) 819-0137.

7 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Seeds and Sprouts**

Hands-on gardening and nature craft projects in the Earthworks Garden (weather-permitting). Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

7 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Books, songs and finger games for ages 6 months to 2 years. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

7 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Stories, rhymes, songs and crafts for ages 2 to 5. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 955-6837.

7 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Extended hours and free admission for ages 17 and under. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

7 THURSDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. **Preparing The Way**

Information and support regarding pregnancy health, birth, breastfeeding and baby. United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria, 3164 Agua Fria Road, Santa Fe, (505) 819-0137.

8 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

8 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Fine Art Friday

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

8 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

All ages and skill levels welcome. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Santa Fe, (505) 466-7323.

8 FRIDAY, 2:30-4:30 PM Friday Afternoon Art

Family program. All adults must be accompanied by a child. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

8 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M. Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

8 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M. **Planetarium Night**

Explore the solar system with activities and look at stars. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

8 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M. **Family Movie Night**

Free showing of a family film on the big screen. Popcorn and juice included. Call for title and rating. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Santa Fe, (505) 466-7323.

9 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-12:30 PM **Open House**

Parents are invited to visit classrooms and meet teachers. Learn about new program for 2-year olds. Call to RSVP. Little Earth School, 321 West Zia Road, Santa Fe, (505) 988-1968.

9 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

9 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum, See March 2 listing.

10 SUNDAY, 11 A.M.-4 P.M. Stargazer at Violet Crown

Go on a voyage transporting through extraterrestrial terrain in the Santa Fe Children's Museum's portable planetarium. Call museum, (505) 989-8359, for details. Violet Crown Theater, 1606 Alcaldesa Street, Santa Fe.

10 SUNDAY, 1-3 P.M. **Poetry Outloud**

State-wide high school students recite poetry in a national competition. New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 West Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 476-5063.

11 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

11 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

11 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

SANTA FE PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUMMER ARTS CAMP

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Spring 2019 Calendar - March

11 MONDAY, 5:30-7:30 PM **Grandparents Raising** Grandchildren

Connect with others who are navigating the challenges of raising a grandchild and learn about resources available. Geared to grandparents, this group is open to any family that finds itself in the world of kinship care. Los Alamos Family Strenaths Network, 3540 Orange Street, Los Alamos, (505) 662-4515.

12 TUESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **School Day Tour for Parents** Little Earth School, See March 9 listing.

12 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

12 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

12 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M.

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

12 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Science After School**

For ages 6 to 12. Have fun with science. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

12 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5

12 TUESDAY, 6-7 P.M. **Family Night**

Songs, games and crafts. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, (505) 662-0460.

13 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing.

13 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

13 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

13 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

13 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

13 WEDNESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Science After School**

For ages 6 to 12. Have fun with science. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 955-6837.

13 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

13 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

14 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON Seeds and Sprouts

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7

14 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

14 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Main Library. See March 7 listing.

14 THURSDAY, 1-2 P.M. La Leche League

Support and information for mothers and mothers-to-be who are interested in breastfeeding. Indigo Baby, De Vargas Mall, 185 Paseo de Peralta, Santa Fe, (505) 466-2738.

14 THURSDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Science After School**

For ages 6 to 12. Have fun with science. Oliver

La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, Santa Fe, (505) 955-4863.

14 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

14 THURSDAY, 7-9 P.M. Music for Everyone: Silverlight 25th **Anniversary**

Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association students perform in musical showcase featuring artists Nacha Mendez and Jono Manson. Tickets start at \$10. Lensic Performing Arts Center, 211 West San Francisco Street, Santa Fe, (505) 988-1234.

15 FRIDAY, 9:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M. **Julia Robinson Mathematics Festival**

Teachers and students in seventh and eight grades explore math through games, puzzles and activities, in a collaborative, noncompetitive atmosphere. Space is limited. \$100/group of 20; some waivers available. For information and to register: www.stemsantafe. org, (505) 570-5402. Santa Fe Community College, 640 Richards Avenue, Santa Fe.

15 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

15 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Fine Art Friday

Santa Fe Children's Museum, See March 1 listina.

15 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

15 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Nature Up Close: Reptiles Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

15 FRIDAY, 6:30 P.M. TO 16 SATURDAY,

Aquarium Overnight

Pack your pajamas and pillow for the ultimate sleepover. Explore the aquarium at night and learn in depth about ocean animals through activities, games and a marine movie. ABQ BioPark Aguarium, 2601 Central Avenue. Albuquerque, (505) 758-2000.

15 FRIDAY, 7-8 P.M. Tour of the Solar System

Get up close and personal with some of the solar system's most exotic destinations. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, (505) 662-0460.

16 SATURDAY, 9:30-11:30 A.M. Green, Greener, Greenest

Find hues of green in O'Keeffe's artwork in the galleries, then create artwork using as many shades of green as you can dream up. Children ages 4 to 12 and their grownups. Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, 217 Johnson Street, Santa Fe, (505) 946-1000.

16 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

16 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. Science Saturdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

17 SUNDAY, 3-4 P.M. **Rhythm of Fire**

A St. Patrick's Day performance for the whole

family, presented by Belisama Irish Dance. Adults \$20; children 12 and under, students and seniors \$15. James A. Little Theater, 1060 Cerrillos Road. Purchase tickets at www. ticketsantafe.org or (505) 988-1234.

18 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-1 P.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

18 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books, See March 4 listing.

18 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

18 MONDAY, ALL DAY **SFPS Closure**

District-wide closure of all Santa Fe Public Schools for spring break.

19 TUESDAY, ALL DAY **SFPS Closure**

District-wide closure of all Santa Fe Public Schools for spring break.

19 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

19 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5

19 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. Story Time

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

19 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **School Age Craft**

For ages 6 to 12. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

19 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilinaual Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5

19 TUESDAY, 6-9 P.M. Los Alamos County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Take Over the Nature Center

An evening of putt-putt, prizes and fun. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, (505) 662-0460.

20 WEDNESDAY, ALL DAY **SFPS Closure**

District-wide closure of all Santa Fe Public Schools for spring break.

20 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6

20 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

20 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listina.

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Camila said, "I liked one swing. I liked the girl."

20 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

20 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

20 WEDNESDAY, 1-4 P.M. **Spring Break Family Program**

Hands-on art activities and engaging scavenger hunt throughout the museum galleries. Children ages 4 to 12 and their grownups are invited. Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, 217 Johnson Street, Santa Fe, (505)

20 WEDNESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **School Age Craft**

For ages 6 to 12. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 955-6837.

20 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

20 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing

21 THURSDAY, ALL DAY SFPS Closure

District-wide closure of all Santa Fe Public Schools for spring break.

21 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group**

Come and feel supported by other parents and volunteer facilitators with conversation, activities or talks about relevant parenting topics, sponsored by Many Mothers. Call (505) 490-6509 for location.

21 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Seeds and Sprouts**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7

21 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7

21 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Main Library. See March 7 listing.

21 THURSDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **School Age Craft**

For gaes 6 to 12. Oliver La Farge Branch Library. 1730 Llano Street, Santa Fe, (505) 955-4863.

21 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7

21 THURSDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. **Preparing The Way**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 7 listing.

22 FRIDAY, ALL DAY **SFPS Closure**

District-wide closure of all Santa Fe Public Schools for spring break.

22 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden, See March 1

22 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Fine Art Friday**

Santa Fe Children's Museum, See March 1 listing.

22 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listina.

22 FRIDAY, 2:30-4:30 PM Friday Afternoon Art

Southside Branch Library. See March 8 listing.

22 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M. Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

23 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2

23 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2

25 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

25 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books, See March 4 listing.

25 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

26 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

26 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

26 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. **Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

26 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

27 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. Wee Wednesdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing.

27 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

27 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6

27 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

27 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

27 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

27 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

28 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group**

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

28 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Seeds and Sprouts**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

28 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

28 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Main Library. See March 7 listing.

28 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7

29 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1

29 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Fine Art Friday**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.



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29 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

29 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M. **Nature Up Close: Reptiles**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

30 SATURDAY, 9 A.M.-5 P.M. 26th Annual César Chávez Day Fiesta

Honor the life and legacy of César Chávez with a march (La Marcha de Justicia), followed by a family fiesta with poetry, dancing, community exhibits, children's activities and games, food and live music, National Hispanic Cultural Center, 1701 Fourth Street SW, Albuquerque, (505) 246-2261.

30 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-NOON Meet the Doulas

Learn about how doulas can make a difference in pregnancy, birth and the postpartum period. Partners are encouraged to attend. RSVP: info@thebirthingtree.com or call. The Birthing Tree, 1315 St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 552-2454.

30 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

30 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

30 SATURDAY, 2-3 P.M. Feature Film: "Black Holes"

Voyage through the galaxies in search of answers to explain the riddles of black holes. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, (505) 662-0460.

1 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-3 P.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

1 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

1 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

1 MONDAY, 6-7 P.M. **Hospital Tour for Expecting Couples**

Christus St. Vincent Regional Medical Center See March 4 listing.

1 MONDAY, 6:30-8 P.M. **Birth Talk Los Alamos**

Los Alamos Family Strengths Network. See March 4 listing.

3 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Toddler Tunes**

Los Alamos Family Strengths Network. See March 6 listing.

3 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

4 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time** Main Library. See March 7 listing.

4 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM

Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

4 THURSDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. **Preparing The Way**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 7 listing.

5 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

5 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Fine Art Friday**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listina.

5 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

5 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M. Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

5 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M. First Friday Art Activity

Georgia O'Keeffe Museum. See March 1 listing.

5 FRIDAY, 5:30-7 P.M. Teen Science Café

Explora. See March 1 listing

5 FRIDAY, 6 AND 7 P.M. **First Friday Fractals**

New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science. See March 1 listing.

5 FRIDAY, 8 AND 9 P.M. Fractals Rock!

New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science. See March 1 listing.

6 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-NOON ¡Vamos al Museo!

National Hispanic Cultural Center. See March 2 listina.

6 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

6 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listina.

Aurelia said, "I liked when they were riding on the bikes."

2 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

2 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

2 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. **Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

2 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

3 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing.

3 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

3 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

4 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group** Many Mothers. See March 21 listing. 4 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON

3 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON

3 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM

Bilingual Books & Babies

3 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

Children's Chess Club

New Moms

See March 4 listing.

Yoga for Pregnant Women and

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria.

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

Seeds and Sprouts Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7

4 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

Beyond Labels: Envisioning the Strong & Competent Child Annual Conference of the New Mexico Association for the Education of Young Children Friday & Saturday, March 1 & 2, 2019 **Albuquerque Convention Center** Register at NMAEYC.ORG



Spring 2019 Calendar – April

7 SUNDAY, 9 A.M.-5 P.M. Free Entry at the Museum of Natural

New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science. See March 3 listing.

7 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Free First Sundays

Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, 710 Camino Leio: Museum of International Folk Art. 706 Camino Lejo; New Mexico History Museum, 113 Lincoln Avenue; and the New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 West Palace Avenue. See March 3 listing.

7 SUNDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Family Mornings at Folk Art

Museum of International Folk Art. Today's theme: Earth Day. See March 3 listing.

7 SUNDAY, 3-4 P.M. Con Vivo Student Chamber Musicians

Family-oriented concert by Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association performers, Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 955-6837.

8 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

8 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

8 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

8 MONDAY, 5:30-7:30 PM Grandparents Raisina Grandchildren

Los Alamos Family Strengths Network. See March 11 listing.

9 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

9 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Oliver La Farae Branch Library. See March 5 listina

9 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. Story Time

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

9 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Science After School**

Southside Branch Library. See March 12 listing.

9 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

10 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. Wee Wednesdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum, See March 6 listina.

10 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 6 listina.

10 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

10 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

10 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

10 WEDNESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Science After School**

Main Library. See March 13 listing.

10 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

10 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM

Children's Chess Club Main Library. See March 6 listing.

11 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group**

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

11 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Seeds and Sprouts**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

11 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library, See March 7 listing.

11 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Main Library, See March 7 listing.

11 THURSDAY, 1-2 P.M. La Leche League

Indigo Baby. See March 14 listing.

11 THURSDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Science After School**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 14

11 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

12 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1

12 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Earth Day Celebration**

Celebrate Earth Day through nature games and activities, and learning about recycling and conservation. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359

12 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Fine Art Friday**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

12 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

12 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Nature Up Close: Reptiles Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

12 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M. **Family Movie Night**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

13 SATURDAY, 9 A.M.-4:30 PM Half-Price Weekend

Single-admission tickets to the Albuquerque BioPark Zoo or Aquarium & Botanic Garden purchased at the gate are half-off one weekend each quarter. Combo tickets are still available at regular price. ABQ BioPark, 903 Tenth SW, Albuquerque, (505) 768-2000.

13 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-NOON Meet the Doulas

The Birthing Tree. See March 30 listing.

13 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

13 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M.

Science Saturdays Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

14 SUNDAY, 9 A.M.-4:30 PM **Half-Price Weekends**

ABQ BioPark, See April 13 listing.

15 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M.

Nature Playtimes Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listina.

15 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

15 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Aqua Fria. See March 4 listing.

16 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library, See March 5 listing.

16 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

16 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. **Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

16 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **School Age Craft**

Southside Branch Library. See March 19 listing.

16 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

17 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listina.

17 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

17 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

17 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.



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Spring 2019 Calendar – April



Olivia said, "I liked the whole Circus Luminous."

17 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

17 WEDNESDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **School Age Craft**

Main Library. See March 20 listing.

17 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM Bilingual Books & Babies

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

17 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

18 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group**

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

18 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON Seeds and Sprouts

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7

18 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

18 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Main Library. See March 7 listing.

18 THURSDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **School Age Craft**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 21 listina.

18 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

18 THURSDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. **Preparing The Way**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 7 listing.

19 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M.

Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

19 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Fine Art Friday

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing

19 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

19 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

19 FRIDAY, 5:30-9:30 PM Parent's Night Out

Let the Children's Museum watch the kiddos while you have an evening out. Ages 6 to 12. \$25 per child. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

19 FRIDAY, 6:30 P.M. TO 20 SATURDAY, 8 A.M.

Aquarium Overnight

ABQ BioPark Aquarium. See March 15 listing.

19 FRIDAY, ALL DAY **SFPS Closure**

District-wide closure of all Santa Fe Public Schools for mid semester break.

20 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2

20 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

22 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-6 P.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center, See March 4 listina

22 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

22 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

23 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

23 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

23 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. **Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

23 TUESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

24 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. Wee Wednesdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing.

24 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 6 listina.

24 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

24 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Southside Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

24 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

24 WEDNESDAY, 4-4:30 PM **Bilingual Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library, See March 6 listing.

24 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club Main Library. See March 6 listing.

25 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON

Postpartum Parenting Group

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

25 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Seeds and Sprouts**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

25 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

25 THURSDAY, 11-11:45 A.M. **Preschool Story Time**

Main Library, See March 7 listing

25 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

26 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

26 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Fine Art Friday

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

26 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

26 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M. Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

26 FRIDAY, 3:30-4:30 PM **Teatro Paraguas**

Family theater program. Southside Branch Library, 6599 Jaquar Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 955-2828.

26 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.

Spring Concert Series: Jazz

Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association student performance. Adults \$15; kids 5 and under free. One ticket provides admission to entire spring concert series. Call (505) 672-5565 ext. 202 or visit www.sfysa.org/tickets. Santa Fe Preparatory School, 1101 Camino de Cruz Blanca, Santa Fe.

27 SATURDAY, 9 A.M.-5 P.M.

Children's Bilingual Book Festival

Celebrate children's books written in Spanish and English and Native languages and English. National Hispanic Cultural Center, 1701 Fourth Street SW, Albuquerque, (505) 246-2261.

27 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M. **Earth Day Celebration**

Engaging activities, fun entertainment and delicious food. Los Alamos Nature Center, 2600 Canvon Road, Los Alamos, (505) 662-0460.

27 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

27 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

27 SATURDAY, 12-4 P.M. Railyard Park Earth Day Celebration

Free day of learning and fun. Make a costume and march in a "local species parade" leaving on the hour between 1 and 3 p.m. Learn about local environmental organizations through interactive scavenger hunts, activities and games. Live music, food vendors and more. Railyard Park, 740 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, (505) 316-3596.

27 SATURDAY, 1:30-2:30 PM Teatro ParaguasFamily theater

Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, Santa Fe, (505) 955-4863.

27 SATURDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Spring Concert Series: Elementary Strings & Prelude String Orchestra

Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association student performance. Adults \$15; kids 5 and under free. One ticket provides admission to entire spring concert series. Call (505) 672-5565 ext. 202 or visit www.sfysa.org/tickets. St. Francis Auditorium, 107 West Place Avenue, Santa Fe.

27 SATURDAY, 6-8 P.M. **Spring Concert Series: Mariachi**

Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association student performance. Adults \$15; kids 5 and under free. One ticket provides admission to entire spring concert series. Call (505) 672-5565 ext. 202 or visit www.sfysa.org/tickets. St. Francis Auditorium, 107 West Place Avenue, Santa Fe.

28 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Sensory Friendly Morning**

A special morning for our friends with sensory needs. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

28 SUNDAY, 1 AND 3:30 PM Spring Concert Series: Orchestra **Concerts**

Santa Fe Youth Symphony Association student performance. Adults \$15; kids 5 and under free. One ticket provides admission to entire spring concert series. Call (505) 672-5565 ext. 202 or visit www.sfysa.org/tickets. St. Francis Auditorium, 107 West Place Avenue, Santa Fe.

Spring 2019 Calendar – April/May

28 SUNDAY, 1:30-2:30 PM Teatro Paraguas Family theater program.

Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 955-6837.

29 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-7 P.M. Nature Playtimes

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

29 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M.

Monday Storytimes

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

29 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and New Moms

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

30 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. Books & Babies

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

30 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M. Preschool Story Time

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 5 listing.

30 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. Story Time

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

MAY

1 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. Wee Wednesdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing.

1 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. Books & Babies

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

1 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. Toddler Tunes

Los Alamos Family Strengths Network. See March 6 listing.

1 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and New Moms

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

1 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

2 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON Postpartum Parenting Group

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

2 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON Seeds and Sprouts

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

2 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. Books & Babies

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

2 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

2 THURSDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. Preparing The Way

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 7 listing.

3 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M.

Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listina.

3 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Fine Art Friday

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

3 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M.

All Ages Chess Club Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

3 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

3 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M. Art Night

Enjoy a family night and play with paint. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, (505) 989-8359.

3 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M. First Friday Art Activity

Georgia O'Keeffe Museum. See March 1

3 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M. First Friday Evening

New Mexico residents enjoy free entry with state ID. New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 West Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, (505) 476-5063.

3 FRIDAY, 5:30-7 P.M. Teen Science Café

Explora. See March 1 listing.

3 FRIDAY, 6 AND 7 P.M. First Friday Fractals

New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science. See March 1 listing.

3 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.

"Shrek the Musical"

Pandemonium Productions presents this family classic. Call for pricing: (505) 982-3327. James A. Little Theater, 1060 Cerrillos Road.

3 FRIDAY, 8 AND 9 P.M. Fractals Rock!

New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science. See March 1 listing.

4 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M. 10th Annual Wanna Play? Experience

Activities for all ages include an instrument petting zoo, rock band test drive, drum station, ukulele experience, private mini lessons, live music and more. The Candyman Strings & Things, 851 St. Michael's Drive, Santa Fe, (505) 983-5906.

4 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-NOON ¡Vamos al Museo!

National Hispanic Cultural Center. See March 2 listing.

4 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. Model Trains

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

4 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M.

Science Saturdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

4 SATURDAY, 2-4 P.M.

"Shrek the Musical"

James A. Little Theater. See May 3 listing.

5 SUNDAY, 9 A.M.-5 P.M.

Free Entry at the Museum of Natural History

New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science. See March 3 listing.

5 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Free First Sundays

Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, 710
Camino Lejo; Museum of International Folk Art, 706 Camino Lejo; New Mexico History Museum, 113 Lincoln Avenue; and the New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 West Palace Avenue. See March 3 listina.

5 SUNDAY, 2-4 P.M.

New Moms

"Shrek the Musical"

James A. Little Theater. See May 3 listing.

6 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-8 P.M. Nature Playtimes

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

6 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. Monday Storytimes

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

6 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listina.

6 MONDAY, 6-7 P.M. Hospital Tour for Expecting Couples

Christus St. Vincent Regional Medical Center. See March 4 listing.

6 MONDAY, 6:30-8 P.M. Birth Talk Los Alamos

Los Alamos Family Strengths Network. See March 4 listing.

7 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. Books & Babies

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

7 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. Story Time

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

8 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. Wee Wednesdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing.

8 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. Books & Babies

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

8 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and New Moms

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

8 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

9 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON Postpartum Parenting Group

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

9 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON Seeds and Sprouts

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7

9 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M. Spring Book Sale

Used books of all kinds, as well as DVDs, music CDs and more. Funds support the library. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Santa Fe, (505) 466-7323.

9 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. Books & Babies

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

9 THURSDAY, 1-2 P.M. La Leche League

Indigo Baby. See March 14 listing.

9 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM

Thursdays are Yours! Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

10 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M.

Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

10 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.

Spring Book SaleVista Grande Public Library. See March 9 listina.

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

10 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M.

Fine Art Friday

10 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M.

All Ages Chess Club Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

10 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Nature Up Close: Reptiles
Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

Fencing Camp

Our fun, safe, high-energy camps teach the fundamentals of footwork, bladework, tactics, and technique. Each camp is for novice or new fencers, and NMFF provides all

June 10-13, June 24-27, and July 15-18, 9:30-1:30

equipment. Fencers will learn the rules of engagement, scoring system, and etiquette. Centrally located, NMFF is the only modern Olympic fencing club in Santa Fe. Don't wait — each camp is limited to 12 participants.



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Spring 2019 Calendar – May

10 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.

"Shrek the Musical"

James A. Little Theater. See May 3 listing.

11 SATURDAY, 9:30A.M.-5 P.M. Japanese Matsuri Cultural Festival

The Santa Fe Japanese Intercultural Center presents a day of taiko drumming, dance, martial arts and folk tales. Japanese cuisine and items for sale. Admission \$15: 12 and under free. info@santafejin.org. Santa Fe Community Convention Center, 201 West Marcy Street, Santa Fe.

11 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M. Spring Book Sale

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 9 listing.

11 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

11 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2

11 SATURDAY, 2-4 P.M.

"Shrek the Musical"

James A. Little Theater. See May 3 listing.

12 SUNDAY, 2-4 P.M.

"Shrek the Musical"

James A. Little Theater. See May 3 listing.

13 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-9 P.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

13 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

13 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

13 MONDAY, 5:30-7:30 PM **Grandparents Raising** Grandchildren

Los Alamos Family Strengths Network. See March 11 listing.

14 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

14 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. **Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

15 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing.



Gentle Shepherd Preschool

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Pre-Kindergarten Program (ages 3-5)

7:30AM - 12:30PM (after care available until 3PM) Monday - Thursday Classes

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- Nuturing Environment
- Play and Exploration
- · Literacy, Music, Art
- Outside Classroom
- Christian Emphasis

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15 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

15 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

16 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group**

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

16 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Seeds and Sprouts**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

16 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

16 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

16 THURSDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. **Preparing The Way**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 7 listing.

17 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

17 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Fine Art Friday

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

17 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

17 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

17 FRIDAY, 5:30-9:30 PM **Parent's Night Out**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See April 19 listing.

17 FRIDAY, 6:30 P.M. TO 18 SATURDAY,

Aquarium Overnight

ABQ BioPark Aquarium. See March 15 listing.

17 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M. **Family Movie Night**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

18 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

18 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M.

Science Saturdays Santa Fe Children's Museum, See March 2 listina.

20 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-10 P.M. **Nature Playtimes**

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 4 listing.

20 MONDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M. **Monday Storytimes**

Bee Hive Books. See March 4 listing.

20 MONDAY, 4-5 P.M. Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

21 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

21 TUESDAY, 11-11:30 A.M. **Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 5 listing.

22 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. **Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6

22 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6

22 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

22 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

Main Library. See March 6 listing.

22 WEDNESDAY, -**SFPS Last Day of School**

23 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group**

Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

23 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Seeds and Sprouts**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

23 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

23 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM

Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

24 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See March 1 listing.

24 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Fine Art Friday

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

24 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

24 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M.

Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

25 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-NOON Meet the Doulas

The Birthing Tree. See March 30 listing.

25 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Model Trains**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

Spring 2019 Calendar – April/Ongoing Events

25 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M. **Science Saturdays**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 2 listing.

26 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Sensory Friendly Morning**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See April 28 listing.

27 MONDAY, -Santa Fe Public Libraries Closed Closed for Memorial Day.

28 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Main Library. See March 5 listing.

29 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M. Wee Wednesdays

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 6 listing

29 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Oliver La Farge Branch Library. See March 6 listing.

29 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON Yoga for Pregnant Women and **New Moms**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 4 listing.

29 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 PM Children's Chess Club

30 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON **Postpartum Parenting Group** Many Mothers. See March 21 listing.

30 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON

Seeds and Sprouts Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

30 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M. **Books & Babies**

Southside Branch Library. See March 7 listing.

30 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 PM Thursdays are Yours!

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 7 listing.

30 THURSDAY, 4:30-6 P.M. **Preparing The Way**

United Way Early Learning Center at Agua Fria. See March 7 listing.

31 FRIDAY, 10-11 A.M. **Garden Sprouts Pre-K Activity** Santa Fe Botanical Garden, See March 1 listing

31 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M. **Fine Art Friday**

Santa Fe Children's Museum. See March 1 listing.

31 FRIDAY, 2-4 P.M. All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See March 8 listing.

31 FRIDAY, 3-4 P.M. Nature Up Close: Reptiles

Los Alamos Nature Center. See March 1 listing.

ONGOING EVENTS

Museums, cultural centers and other nonprofit organizations within an easy drive of Santa Fe offering exhibits, programing and activities for families.

ABQ BIOPARK: ZOO, AQUARIUM AND **BOTANIC GARDEN**

Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission options: Buy a ticket to Zoo only, Aquarium/ Botanic Garden, or "BioPark Combo" for all three. Call for prices. Zoo, 903 Tenth Street, Albuquerque; Botanic Garden and Aguarium, 2601 Central Avenue NW. Albuquerque. (505) 768-2000, www.cabq. gov/biopark.

ABQ BIOPARK: TINGLEY BEACH

Fish, hike, relax or sail a model boat. Open daily year-round from sunrise to sunset. Free 1800 Tingley Drive SW, Albuquerque. (505) 768-2000, www.cabq.gov/biopark.

BATAAN MEMORIAL MUSEUM

Artifacts from the Bataan Death March, Medal of Honor ribbons and biographies. Private tours available; call to arrange. Open Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe. (505) 474-1670, www. bataanmuseum.com

BRADBURY SCIENCE MUSEUM

Displays, videos and interactive exhibits on the history of the atomic bomb and contemporary research conducted at Los Alamos National Laboratory. Open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday and Monday 1 to 5 $\,$ p.m. 1350 Central Avenue, Los Alamos. (505) 667-4444, www.lanl.gov/museum.

EL MUSEO CULTURAL DE SANTA FE

Nonprofit organization that preserves, protects and promotes the Hispano art, culture and traditions of northern New Mexico. Popular venue for classes and community events. Open Tuesday through Saturday 1 to 5 p.m. Call or visit website to view calendar for upcoming events. 555 Camino de la Familia, in the Santa Fe Railyard. (505) 992-0591, www.elmuseocultural.org

EL RANCHO DE LAS GOLONDRINAS

Living history museum located on 200 acres just south of Santa Fe, dedicated to the history, heritage and culture of 18th and 19th century New Mexico. The museum is closed during the winter months but is open by appointment for docent-led tours in April, May and October, and open to the public Wednesday through Sunday, June 1 through Oct. 1, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Adults \$6; seniors and ages 13 to 17 \$4; under 12 free; prices for special events vary. 334 Los Pinos Road, Santa Fe. (505) 471-2261, www. golondrinas.org.

Family-oriented science center creating opportunities for discovery through interactive experiences in science, technology and art for all ages. Children and toddlers must be accompanied by a paying adult. Open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday noon to 6 p.m. Ages 12 and up \$10; seniors, students and military with ID \$7; ages 1 to 11 \$6 under age 1 free. 1701 Mountain

Road NW, Albuquerque. (505) 224-8300, www. explora.us.

GEORGIA O'KEEFFE MUSEUM

Dedicated to the Georgia O'Keeffe's life, art and role in the history of American Modernism. Revolving exhibitions, education programs, family and youth programs. Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. General admission \$13; New Mexico residents with ID free on the first Friday of the month; seniors and students over 18 with ID \$11; ages 17 and under free. 217 Johnson Street, Santa Fe. (505) 946-1000, www. okeeffemuseum.org.

HARWOOD MUSEUM OF ART

University of New Mexico-affiliated collection of historic and contemporary art and culture of northern New Mexico, Many family activities and events. Open Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. Adults \$10; seniors, students and AAA members \$8; ages 18 and under free; free to Taos County residents on Sundays with proof of residence, 238 Ledoux Street, Taos. (575) 758-9826, www. harwoodmuseum.org.

LOS ALAMOS NATURE CENTER

Nature center and outdoor education programs provide opportunities for people of all ages to explore the rich natural and cultural heritage of the Pajarito Plateau. Preschool and homeschool discovery programs, nature clubs, middle school and high school environmental clubs and many other activities. Registration required for most activities. Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Tuesday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; closed Thursdays. Free. 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos. (505) 662-0460, www.peecnature.org.

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY NATIVE ARTS

The country's premier museum of contemporary Native arts, with 7,500 artworks across media created in 1962 or later. Open Monday and Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday noon to 5 p.m. Adults \$10: seniors, students and New Mexico residents with ID \$5; Native people, veterans and their families, and under age 17 free; New Mexico residents free on Sunday. 108 Cathedral Place, Santa Fe. (505) 983-8900, www.iaia.edu/museum.

LEONORA CURTIN WETLAND PRESERVE

Adjacent to El Rancho de Las Golondrinas south of Santa Fe, this 35-acre nature preserve of the Santa Fe Botanical Garden hosts a diversity of plants and wildlife, trails with numbered interpretive markers, a pond and docents to answer questions. Open May through October, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Early opening at 7:30 a.m. on every third Saturday with \$5 early entrance fee. Entry at other times by donation. (505) 471-9103. www.santafebotanicalaarden.org/visit-us/ leonora-curtin-wetland-preserve.

MEOW WOLF

Meow Wolf's House of Eternal Return is a unique immersive art experience based





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on non-linear storytelling and exploration through strange, but familiar, realms. Sunday to Thursday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; closed Tuesday. Summer hours, open every day at 9 a.m. (except Tuesdays). Adults \$25; children \$19; seniors \$22; free to children under 3. New Mexico residents: Adults \$22; Children \$17; senior/military, \$20, 1352 Rufina Circle, Santa Fe, (505) 780-4458. www.meowwolf.com

MUSEUM OF INDIAN ARTS AND CULTURE

Stories of peoples indigenous to the Southwest, including displays from prehistory through contemporary art. Open Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission \$12; New Mexico residents \$7 daily and free on the first Sunday of every month; New Mexico seniors with ID free on Wednesdays: New Mexico students with an ID, \$7; ages 16 and under free. Museum Hill. 710 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. (505) 476-1250, www.indianartsandculture.org

MUSEUM OF INTERNATIONAL FOLK ART

Wide range of folk art displays, including long and short-term exhibitions, from around the world. Open Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Adults and seniors, \$12; New Mexico residents: adults and seniors, \$7; students, \$6 daily and free on the first Sunday of every month: New Mexico seniors with ID free on Wednesdays; ages 16 and under free. Museum Hill, 706 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. (505) 476-1204, www.internationalfolkart.org.

MUSEUM OF SPANISH COLONIAL ART

The only museum in the country dedicated to the art of the Spanish colonial era. Special activities for families and children include a Costume Corner and Youth Art and Activity Center. Summer schedule (May 6 to Oct. 29), open seven days a week, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Winter schedule, open Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission \$10: free to New Mexico residents on Sundays; ages 16 and under free. Museum Hill, 750 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. (505) 982-2226, www. spanishcolonial.org/museum.

NEW MEXICO HISTORY MUSEUM AND PALACE OF THE GOVERNORS

Explore New Mexico history from the pre-Columbian era through the Atomic Age, including the clash and melding of the regions' cultures. Features the Discovery Center for hands-on, self-paced family activities. Open Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Fridays until 8 p.m. General admission \$12; New Mexico residents \$7 daily



Kalena said, "I liked the part when the clowns pulled apart their car. It was cardboard and rubber.'

and free on the first Sunday of every month; under age 16 free; New Mexico seniors with ID free on Wednesdays; free Friday evenings 5 to 8 p.m. 113 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe. (505) 476-5200, www.nmhistory.org.

NEW MEXICO MUSEUM OF ART

Guided tours free with museum admission. Drop in and draw during regular museum hours (front desk provides sketchbooks and pencils). Open Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. General admission \$12; New Mexico residents \$7 daily and free on the first Sunday of every month; under age 16 free; New Mexico seniors with ID free on Wednesdays; free Friday evenings 5 to 8 p.m. 107 West Palace Avenue, Santa Fe. (505) 476-5041, www.nmartmuseum.org.

NEW MEXICO MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY AND SCIENCE

Exhibits on the history of Earth, planetarium and movies at the giant-screen Lockheed-Martin Dyna Theater. Open Wednesday to Monday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Museum admission: Adults \$8; seniors \$7 and free Wednesdays; ages 3 to 12 years \$5: free to New Mexico residents with ID on the first Sunday of every month. Separate admission fees for DynaTheater and Planetarium. 1801 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque. (505) 841-2800, www. nmnaturalhistory.org.

RAILYARD ARTISAN MARKET

Local artists and craftspeople, farmers. ranchers and food artisans, musicians, refreshments and entertainment, in the heart of the Santa Fe Railyard. Open Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Santa Fe Farmers Market, 1607 Paseo de Peralta, Santa Fe. (505) 983-4098, www. artmarketsantafe.com.

RALPH T. COE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

A collection of nearly 2000 objects from Africa, Oceania, Asia and North America. Get a personal, behind-the-scenes tour, converse with the curators and handle one-of-a-kind objects. Open every first Friday of the month, from 1 to 4 p.m., and for private tours upon request. Admission is free. 1590 B Pacheco Street, Santa Fe. (505) 983-6372. www. coeartscenter.org/index.html.

RANDALL DAVEY AUDUBON CENTER AND

Over 135 acres of striking landscapes and wildlife, bounded by the Santa Fe National Forest and Santa Fe River Watershed land. Activities include auided bird walks and hikes and tours of the Randall Davey home. Trails and gardens open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. 1800 Upper Canyon Road, Santa Fe. (505) 983-4609, www. nm.audubon.org/randall-davey-auduboncenter-sanctuary.

RIO GRANDE NATURE CENTER STATE PARK

270 acres of woods, meadows and farmland flourishing with native grasses, wildflowers, willows and cottonwoods, just outside of Albuquerque. Gates open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily; visitor center open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$5 per vehicle. 2901 Candelaria NW, Albuquerque. (505) 344-7240, www.rgnc.org.

SANTA FE BOTANICAL GARDEN AT MUSEUM HILL

Eleven acres of gardens that celebrate cultivate and conserve the botanical heritage and biodiversity of our region. November through March, the garden is open Thursday through Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., adults \$7; seniors and military \$6; students and youth \$5; children 12 and under free. April through October, open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Adults \$10; New Mexico residents, \$9; seniors and military \$8; students and youth \$7; children under 12 free. Members always free. Museum

Hill, 715 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. (505) 471-9103. www.santafebotanicalgarden.org.

SANTA FE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

A learning laboratory with exhibits and programs designed to cultivate habits of inquiry. Wednesday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday noon to 5 p.m. General admission \$7.50; children ages 16 and under \$5; free for children under age 1. Children under 16 free Thursdays after 4 p.m. Family memberships available. 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe. (505) 989-8359, www. santafechildrensmuseum.org.

SANTA FE FARMERS MARKET

Over 150 active vendors selling hundreds of agricultural products, with locations in the Railvard and on the Southside, Railvard Farmers Market open Saturday and Tuesday, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. June to September and from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. October through May. 1607 Paseo de Peralta, Santa Fe. Southside Farmers Market open Tuesday 3 to 6:30 p.m. from July through September, outside Santa Fe Place Mall near J.C. Penney, 4250 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe. (505) 983-4098, www. santafefarmersmarket.com.

SANTA FE MOMMY MEETUP GROUP

For all moms (and dads) who delight in having fun with their children, primarily ages 0 to 5 years old. Mommy Meetup offers play dates, parents' events, charity and educational events, and an online discussion board. \$16 annual dues. www.meetup.com/ santafemoms.

SANTA FE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, open Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.; 955-6781. Oliver La Farge Branch, 1730 Llano Street, open Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Thursday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; closed Sundays; 955-4862. Southside Branch, 6599 Jaguar Drive, open Monday through Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. (505) 955-2820. www. santafelibrary.org.

VISTA GRANDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Story times, family movie nights, reading programs and special events. Open Tuesday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesday through Friday, noon to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado. (505)466-7323, www.valibrary.org.

WHEELWRIGHT MUSEUM OF THE **AMERICAN INDIAN**

Contemporary and historic Native American art with an emphasis on the Southwest. Talks, seminars, meet-the-artist receptions and many other events. General admission, \$8. Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 704 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. (505) 982-4636, www.wheelwright.org.

Please send us information about family events happening in June, July and **August for our Summer 2019** family events calendar. Email to calendar@sftumbleweeds. com. Deadline: May 3.

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