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## From Worms to

# WOW!

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### One of my favorite lines

in this issue came out of a wonderful conversation in the production of this issue.

One afternoon in April, I got a phone call from Ashley Zappe, of Earth Care, who was proposing an article about composting at home. It sounded like a good topic to me, but perhaps a little dry, so I asked her to describe what she had in mind. As we spoke I gave her a suggestion I've given many times in my years editing *Tumbleweeds*.

"*Tumbleweeds* is a place to be anecdotal, personal, to share your own excitement," I said. "This isn't the type of writing you might have to do for grants or quarterly reports. Tell us your favorite stories."

She paused for a moment, just enough to give me the sense she was shifting mental gears. "I have *lots* of stories of kids holding worms for the first time," she said, and I could feel her smiling. *There it is*, I thought. Kids, dirt, environmental activism, compost, worms. What's not to love?

The article that manifested in my inbox a few weeks later, "There is Magic Underground,"

hadn't lost any of that spark. Zappe leads with a third-grade girl, holding a red-wiggler in her hand while two apprehensive boys look on, not quite ready to join her. "Look!" she says. "It's like a little, red, break-dancing ninja!" (I almost wanted to stitch that line in needlepoint!)

With that anecdote Zappe captures so much of what happens when children interact with nature: curios-

ity, trepidation, wonder, discovery, bravery, humor.

Another story in this issue highlights the challenges that can get in the way of making discoveries outdoors.

Katherine Watson, director of Pajarito Environmental Education Center (PEEC), describes taking a group of young children outside to play in the center's nature play area.

A nature play area, she points out, is not a playground. There are no slides, climbing structures or seesaws, just the features that occur naturally in that geographic area — in Los Alamos' case, rocks, trees, pinecones, grasses and wildflowers.

"But there's nothing for them to play with!" one of the parents said as the children went outside, echoing a refrain nature educators hear quite often when introducing kids to new environments.

Somewhere between "little, red, break-dancing ninjas" and "nothing for them to play with" lies the challenge of getting children to be comfortable in nature.

Some would say all we need to do is give children the opportunity. When Watson gently

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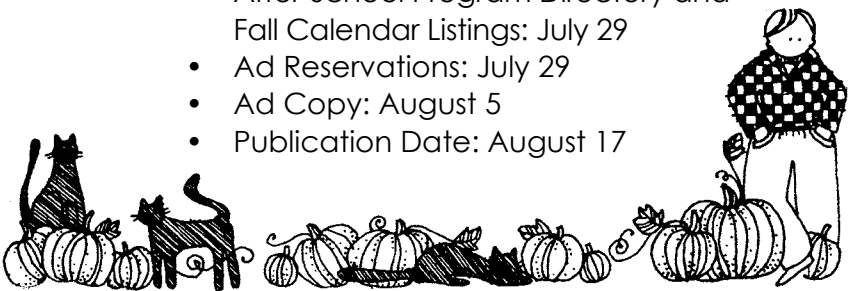
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suggests to the skeptical teachers and parents, "Let's go watch," the young children have already begun building a "fort," setting up a "trading post" stocked with pine cones and rocks, and "fishing" with sticks over the dry creek bed. All they needed to "make it fun" was the chance to get out in it.

But of course it isn't always this simple. Some kids don't reach their comfort zone in nature, at least not right off the bat. If they've only played indoors or in a playground, if their families haven't had a chance to go hiking or camping, children might not readily find peace or pleasure outdoors.

Some adults may wonder how it is that third-grade children haven't held worms until someone puts them in their hands. "Back when I was a kid," they may say, "we collected worms, went fishing, played in the woods all day ..." but the fact is fewer and fewer children have that kind of life today. Their forays into nature and comfort with it will need to be facilitated by adults who are comfortable in nature themselves.

So, what if you're *not* so comfortable out there? Nature doesn't just babble like a brook and rustle like wind through trees. It also crawls, stings, bites and sometimes sucks. As I was recently reminded. This spring on a hike with my brother in Maryland's Catoctin Mountains, I left with a deer tick that had to be removed at an urgent-care clinic. I got a great photo of the tick, fattened by my tasty blood, and a prescription for antibiotics as a preventative against Lyme disease.

The little bugger won't keep me from going back, because by now I know the power of nature to calm, inspire and uplift me.

For those who aren't yet persuaded of this power, there is a wealth of suggestions in this issue for easing into the outdoors. Watson offers numerous activities at the PEEC and the Jemez Mountains, while noting that nature play actually can happen anywhere and gets more fun with practice. Judith Chaddick takes us to Mesa Prieta, just north of Española, where visitors hike past petroglyphs left by ancient hunter-gatherers and early Spanish settlers ("Mysteries on the Mesa," in English; "Misterios en la mesa," translated by Flor de Mariha Oliva into Spanish). The site is open to school groups, teen interns, and tours for families and individuals.

And lest we think that nature is just "out there" at a nature center, or "up there" on a mountain trail, Zappe points out that it's right here at our fingertips and under our feet. Composting is a connection to its everyday marvels, a chance to participate in the transformation of garbage into new life, a way of bringing the rewards of nature exposure home for our children. "They see entire worlds, whole food webs, living in the compost," she writes.

Each of these writers shares different aspects of the rewards of getting kids out into nature. I have a favorite of my own: It expands a child's universe. Kids are the center of their universe; this is good, normal and appropriate. Christian Nardi, owner of Bee Hive, Santa Fe's children's bookstore, in her article "The Universe According to Me," encourages children to celebrate this fact creatively, by letting their writing imaginations fly.

As children grow, however, they realize they are not the center of *the* universe. This is to be hoped

for, at least, if they're to develop empathy and morality. No better way to realize that than to spend time among the wondrous things that go about their business independently of us, growing and dying, cycling and recycling. We don't need to go far or stay long to find these wonders. We just need to get close enough to make our own discoveries, to reach the edge of our own "wow!"



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## Preparing for the Good Goodbye

Careful planning makes for a successful transition to preschool

By Laura Escue



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### Is your child starting preschool this fall? If so, you

may both be approaching this new phase of life with conflicting emotions. You may be excited about the fun, friendships and learning your child is about to experience, yet hesitant about having your child venture out into the world without you. Your child may be excited about going to school and being a “big kid” now, while feeling anxious or apprehensive about this new adventure.

There are many types of early childhood centers in Santa Fe. Some are part-day while others offer full-day care. We have public pre-K and kindergarten programs, and private schools. Some preschools are geared especially to children who have special needs or are bilingual. Montessori, Reggio Emilia and Waldorf programs have their origins in the theories of child development specialists. Church or synagogue preschools integrate the values of faith into the daily routine. Cooperative schools require parents to help in the classroom several times a year. Some schools emphasize the environment and nature. Each offers a philosophy or approach to teaching young children, with the understanding that children learn best through play and discovery.

As a parent, you need to feel comfortable with the preschool location, environment, curriculum and staff. Your child needs to feel safe and sheltered in the nurturing care of adults. Answer your child’s questions about this new step and assure him or her that the teachers are there to care for children and help them.

Choosing the right preschool, especially for a first child, can be challenging. Look for a school that provides books, music, art and opportunities to play both indoors and out, in a structured environment in which there is a set, daily routine. Tour or visit the school during free play or outside play, so that both you and your child can get a feel for the experience. This will also give you the opportunity to meet the teachers and watch how they engage with the students. Timid students (or parents!) may need a second or even third short visit before the start of school.

### Some Tips for Helping Your Child Prepare

- **Allow your child to “play” preschool.** Take turns being the parent, child and teacher. Act out common daily routines such as saying goodbye to Mommy or Daddy, removing a coat or sweater, singing songs, reading stories, having circle time, raising one’s hand, following directions, playing outside and having a rest time.
- **Be positive.** Reassure your child that preschool is a good, fun, safe place where he or she can play, learn and make friends. Demonstrating your own love of learning and the value of education will help your child both in preschool and in the years to come.
- **Read books about preschool.** Some good ones include: *Corduroy Goes to School*, by Don Freeman; *My Preschool*, by Anne Rockwell; and *Maisy Goes to Preschool*, by Lucy Cousins.
- **Practice self-help skills.** Play a game to see who can put on their shoes the fastest. Practice unzipping a coat, hanging a coat on a hook, sitting “criss-

cross applesauce,” raising one’s hand and being called on before speaking. If your child will be bringing a lunch to preschool, pack a lunch and have picnic. Practice unzipping the lunch box and unwrapping a sandwich. Assure your child that the teachers are always there to help should a problem arise.

### Practical Steps to Take in Advance

- **Establish a regular bedtime routine.** Sleep is critical to children’s everyday functioning. A good night’s sleep helps prepare them for new experiences, enables them to positively engage with others and aids in building memory and attention skills.
- **Make sure your child has comfortable, weather-appropriate clothing.** Comfortable clothing and shoes are best for preschool. Check the weather to be sure you are dressing your child in appropriate outerwear. Send mittens and hats during cold weather, since outside play is an important part of the preschool day.
- **Shop ahead for what you’ll need.** Purchase and prepare a backpack and lunch box, if needed. Prepare an extra set of clothes that can be kept at the school. Label your child’s personal items.
- **Keep your child’s forms up to date.** Be sure the school has your registration information, immunization records and any other required forms. Inform the school about any allergies or medical concerns.

### Saying a Good Goodbye

- **Plan to stay for a little while during the first few days or weeks.** Staying for 15 to 30 minutes can help ease your child’s fears during the transition period. Explore the classroom, meet some of the other children and even play with a few toys yourself. When your child appears to be engaged and at ease, say a quick, upbeat goodbye and reassure your child that all will be well.
- **Don’t be surprised if your child is upset and cries.** Separation anxiety is normal at this stage in children’s development. Allow the teacher to help you slip away by engaging your child in an activity. Don’t run back in to “rescue” your child, as it sends the message that he or she is only okay if you are there. In addition, it may prolong your child’s distress, making it harder to adapt. Feel free to call the school later in the morning to check in.
- **Be on time to pick up your child.** This reassures your child that you have not abandoned her or him and makes drop off the next day much easier. Your child will be confident that you will not leave them at school forever. Careful attention to this big step can ensure that your child’s first school experience will be positive. The preschool setting opens up the opportunity for your child to socialize, play and learn to interact with both peers and adults. Preschool is only the beginning of a lifelong adventure of learning, exploring and forming friendships!

Laura Escue is the director of Gentle Shepherd Preschool, in Santa Fe.



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# There is magic underground

At-home composting helps families learn and grow together • By Ashley Zappe

## One day I bring my “pets” to class and let the kids hold them.

“Look! It’s dancing!” says one third-grade girl as a five-inch earthworm wriggles in her hand. Two boys look curiously at the wiggly worm, not sure if they’re ready to hold one yet. “It’s cute!” the girl says. “It’s like a little, red, break-dancing ninja!” I think I can see what she means.

My pets are “red wrigglers,” a type of earthworm, and they live in a special house in my garden. After today, some of these worms will be living in the school garden as well. “They are more than just pets, you know,” I tell the class as I release the worms into the compost bin. “These worms are helping us save the earth! Want to know how?” Everyone is listening.

While our nonprofit, Earth Care, provides sustainability and garden education in public schools, composting is one element of the program that children especially love to take home and share with their families. Sometimes conversations about sustainability and our environment can leave kids (and adults) feeling helpless. Climate change, excess waste, landfill overflow, water scarcity and food security are the



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Elementary meet-cute: Students discover that red wrigglers can help reduce waste, prevent greenhouse gas emissions and create healthy soil.

## Get Started at Home

Bringing composting into your own home can be done in several ways and usually takes about as much effort as keeping a pet goldfish alive. Many people use backyard piles in which food scraps (“greens”) are combined with dry leaves, paper and straw (“browns”). These piles require some watering to maintain moisture and periodic turning with a shovel or pitchfork, but create beautiful, nutrient-rich compost in the process.

You can use all kinds of materials to contain the piles, from wood pallets to chicken wire to pre-made compost bins. Since composting has the potential for a bit of messiness, or smelliness if you don’t have enough aeration or “browns,” Earth Care is promoting a backyard compost bin that makes the job easier

and neater. (See information below on Earth Care’s workshops and compost bin discounts.)

Composting always starts as an experiment; few of us get it perfect the first try. Your compost bin should always smell okay and not have flies. If your bin ever smells bad, it’s a sign that something is out of balance — probably too much moisture, or not enough bedding covering the food. Fortunately, there are many great resources in our community to help troubleshoot.

- **Reunity Resources** ([www.reunityresources.com](http://www.reunityresources.com)) specializes in large-scale composting in Santa Fe and is always helpful.
- **Home Grown New Mexico** offers excellent donation-based workshops and networking with other local home-growers ([homegrown-newmexico.org](http://homegrown-newmexico.org)).
- **Sam McCarthy**, composter extraordinaire at Payne’s

Nurseries, sells red worms at the Farmers Market to get your worm bin started.

- **Visit our website**, [www.earthcarenm.org](http://www.earthcarenm.org), to learn about future family workshops, opportunities to win a free home-composting bin and other local resources, or to request one of Earth Care’s Eco-Education Programs at your school or organization.
- **“Soil Story,”** a four-minute video on the environmental benefits of composting, is an absolute must-watch: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=3SDDcIBWTjk](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3SDDcIBWTjk).
- **Join the “Compost Santa Fe!” Campaign!** Earth Care’s goal is to get 500 Santa Fe families composting in 2016. Register at [www.earthcarenm.org](http://www.earthcarenm.org) today, and learn how to get started at these workshops: May 26, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Whole Foods, 753 Cerrillos Road; and June 4 from 1 to 5

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At these free workshops, educators from Earth Care, Santa Fe Master Gardeners, the Solid Waste Agency, Eldorado285 Recycles and Reunity Resources will teach how to get started with home composting to mitigate climate change, increase organic soil fertility, and enjoy a daily learning opportunity with your family.

We will be demonstrating composting techniques and designs, including a really excellent model of backyard bin that makes composting easier and neater. We recommend these bins especially to new composters, and are making them available to the community at a discounted rate. From now through July 7, you can purchase this 100 percent recycled-plastic compost bin for only \$60 (a \$120 retail value) and help support Earth Care programs.



issues that will affect this young generation deeply, but to kids these often seem like distant “adult problems” that they can’t do anything about. But when they learn that backyard composting reduces waste (and possibly the trash collection bill), prevents greenhouse gas emissions from landfills, and creates healthy soil that will hold water and grow nutritious food for our community, they are excited to make this activity a part of their life. Home composting is a meaningful and fun activity in which they can actually take leadership to have a positive impact for their future. And the worms are cute, too, or so I’m told.

Earth Care provides sustainability classes to over 2,000 public elementary school students each year. In these classes, we use composting to introduce students to systems thinking, natural cycles and concrete ways they can take responsibility for the waste they generate. They learn to participate in solutions and to create something useful and positive out of “garbage.” These lessons help them make the connection between their food and their environment, and challenge them to see how perfectly nature “recycles.” For the kids, seeing their apple cores being eaten by worms is just plain fun.

Recognizing that environmental stewardship practices often require participation from the whole family, Earth Care offers workshops for families as well. As part of the larger “Bring it home!” community service campaign that kicked off on Martin Luther King Day 2016, Earth Care has partnered with the Solid Waste Management Agency



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to provide free, afterschool family compost training at Salazar Elementary School, Amy Biehl Community School and El Camino Real Academy.

Enabling the whole family to compost transforms every meal into a daily educational experience. Every time they put their food scraps into the bin they are participating in the ecological cycle of life. This small act reinforces a value of taking care of our planet and an ethic of reducing waste. When the compost is finished and they apply the beautiful, dark, nourishing soil to the base of a street-side tree or into a vegetable

garden, they are developing a personal connection with nature. And that connection is more beneficial than most people realize.

Studies have consistently shown that contact with nature, even for only a few minutes a day, has boundless benefits for people of all ages. Nature-time increases ability to focus and learn, enhances immune system function, decreases stress and depression and boosts creativity. What’s more, recent studies have shown that natural environments cause us to be more kind and patient with each other, and that children in vegetated environments such as forests or gardens are more likely to engage in imaginative, cooperative play instead of bullying or competition.

Composting is one of many ways we can bring the benefits of nature-exposure home for our children. They see entire worlds, whole food webs, living in the compost. They meet little beneficial bugs and volunteer seedlings. They watch earthworms dance and mites

scurry about. With tiny hands they turn over a shovelful and witness the intense effects the New Mexico sun had on the topmost layer, while the world underneath is moist and fertile. There’s magic just three inches below the surface! They discover that healthy soil has a *comforting* scent and that dirt is nothing to be afraid of. And, after all this valuable experience, as a bonus, we all get great dirt for our gardens!

Personally, I find home composting an inspiring

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## Opening Up about Adoption:

# A Mom's View

Finding answers that don't risk breaking hearts

By Amy Sayers

**My husband, daughter and I are curled up in the family bed** when my 16-year-old daughter says, "Can I call my birth mother? I really want to connect with her. There are things I want to know."

I feel my heart contract. Of course I knew these questions were coming. "Who am I and where do I belong?" are questions that parents of adopted children anticipate.

"What is it you're curious about?"

"All my friends talk about how they look like their parents, where their grandparents come from, what countries they're from. All I know is that I'm blonde."

Marika has always known she was adopted. We've talked about it openly since we brought her home as an infant, and I think it has deepened our relationship. She didn't voice these questions when she was 5 or 10, but they are coming up now.

I think back to when she was 8 years old, when we spent the summer with family by the seaside in Devon, England. We stayed in a refurbished cowshed built into a hill on the family farm, surrounded by grazing sheep that sometimes poked their curious faces into the dormer window. Inside, there was a kitchen with a wood burning stove and an oak, French-country dining table. Over many meals, Marika got to know her cousins, with whom she shared laughter and ghost stories. At that time, Marika didn't ask whether or not her cousins were blood relatives. She loved them. They were an integral part of her. My heart still quickens when I think of them playing fairy games in the meadow, amongst wild bluebells and foxgloves, and chasing whitecaps on the beach in the frigid sea. We roasted sausages on a wood fire, made castles in the sand, and drew pictures on the rocks. This year, Marika is evolving. She questions everything about family.

"Mom," she says, "I want to see my adoption file. I want to see the medical records."

Yes, I knew this was coming, but somehow I feel more anxious than I have around questions about dating, sex and drugs that also come with the teenage territory. I have answers for those questions that don't risk breaking her heart, but this is delicate.

I pull the green vinyl file folder out of the desk drawer and unwrap the rubber band holding it together. "Some of these papers I have shared with you in the past but you may not remember."

"Just give me the whole thing," she says, climbing onto the bed between Gavin and me.

We have always had some contact with her birth mother. We had requested an "open adoption" when we filed our profile. When the birth mother chose us, she was not sure, understandably, what she wanted. Up until Marika's request, we had only exchanged yearly photos and emails.

Marika studies the hospital discharge summary, and tears roll down her cheek. I put my arms around her. She reads the part that says, "infant of drug-abusing mother" and cries out, "Why did she have to do drugs with me in her? Why couldn't she stop?"

I hug her tighter, tears rolling down my face as well.

"You know how hard it is for you to not eat sugar, even though you know it's not good for you? Well, stopping drug use is at least a hundred times harder."

Then I pull out the letter I had asked her birth mother to write when Marika was born.

She reads the letter. It's a love letter, beautifully written and heartfelt. Marika looks up at me and says, "She loves me. She says she thinks about me every day."

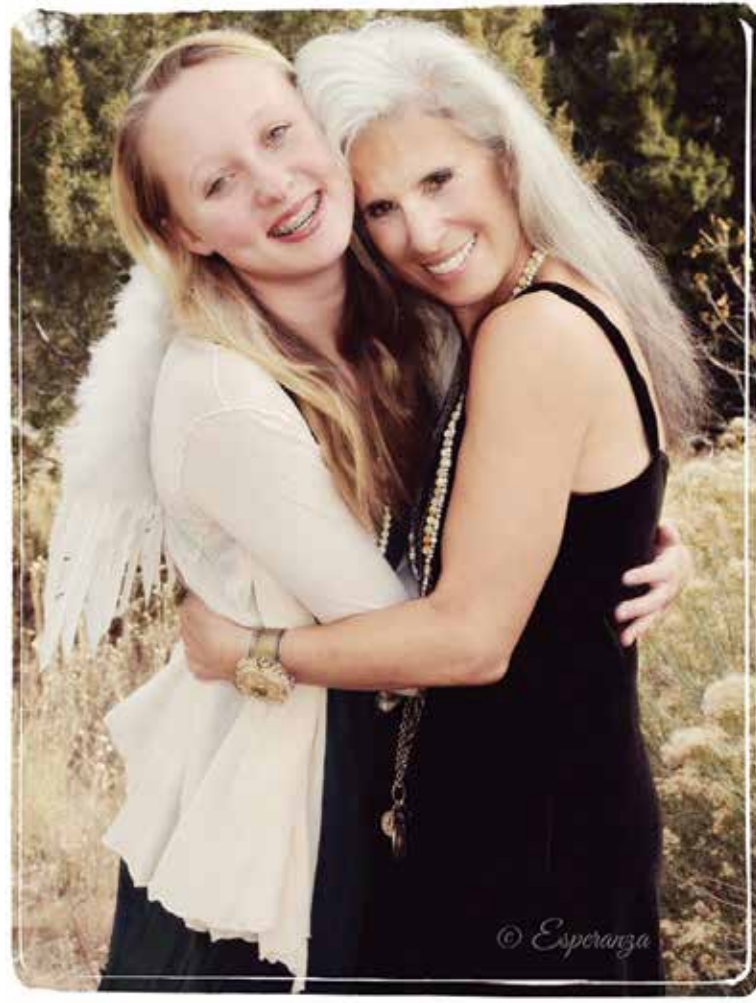


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"Of course she does," I say. "This was one of the hardest things she ever had to do. She did it for your wellbeing. You would have had a very different life if she had tried to raise you."

I feel like I am treading on shards of glass, wondering what to say and what to leave out.

I feel protective of Marika. She is precious and innocent to me. I know she just wants to be seen and loved. She wears her heart on her sleeve. But she is also a Sagittarius, a wild, fiery thing, like her birth mother. She channels her fire through acting and writing. Her birth mother shares her birthday, a karmic connection of which I am in awe.

As Marika shares her questions with me, my heart is pounding. I want to give her everything she asks for, but on this issue my love for her cries out to shield her from pain. A part of me knows that I signed up for this and I just need to be there to hold the space for whatever evolves.

"Of course you can talk to her if she is open to that. Just be careful of your expectations. I don't want you to get hurt. I don't want her to get hurt. We don't know yet how she will respond." I tell her I will email her birth mom to give her a heads-up that Marika wants to get in touch.

I get an email back the next day. The birth mother is both loving and confused, leaving me unsure how to respond. I contact the adoption therapist we used to work with.

"Let Marika take the lead," he tells me. "Remember, this is also difficult, emotionally, for the birth mother."

I breathe. It is new territory for all of us. I give Marika her birth mother's email and caution her, "It is fine to communicate as long as we can oversee the process."

Marika agrees.

The next day, she comes home from a rehearsal at the Adobe Rose Theatre asking if she can work with a family constellation therapist who has been helping with the play.





Courtesy photos

A close friend had suggested that this approach — a form of psychodrama, in which different family members are represented — might be profoundly healing for Marika, for confusion that might come up as she explored her identity with results that could be immediate and life-changing.

The next day, I call and make an appointment for Marika.

After her session, Marika says, "It was amazing! I feel great. It was really spiritual. I can't share everything with you, but it was really helpful."

I smile inside. She is always saying that I am a spiritual person but she is not.

Then she says, "I really want to call my birth mother. I need to know some things. I want to know about her history."

"Email her then," I say.

She constructs a letter. It is a few days before she gets a response. The birth mother sends Marika photos of her half-sister and half-brother. Marika is over the moon. She also tells Marika she will put her in touch with her birth father, who also has two kids he is raising.

We believe this new situation has to move slowly. We tell Marika, now totally focused on her birth family, that it is okay to email and message them, but no phone calls yet. She is, understandably, on an emotional rollercoaster.

The ups and downs suck me into a vortex. I cannot control her outbursts. She

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## Opening Up about Adoption:

# A Daughter's View

Learning about your past helps you learn about yourself

By Marika Sayers

**I'm 16, and I'm adopted. When I was younger,** being adopted was never a huge deal. In fact, it was a small part of my identity that I cherished and that helped create the person I am today. It was relatively simple: I had a mom and dad, and I had my birth parents and siblings.

Today, it's very different. At this point in my life, I am trying to create bonds with my birth parents and half-siblings. It's definitely a weird feeling, because I have my adoptive parents, whom I love an extreme amount, and my birth parents, with whom I have a genetic connection and whom I love as well. My birth mother and birth father both have had other children. At certain points it's a bit overwhelming, but other times it's completely amazing.

I have not always wanted to be in contact with my birth parents. I felt abandoned and unwanted, feelings I am still trying to overcome. I had a session with a woman who does constellation work (a therapeutic method drawing on family systems therapy) because I was basically having an identity crisis. She told me that I should get in contact so I would understand them better. I have had limited contact with my birth mother my whole life but had had no contact with my birth father at all. I knew what to expect from her and the fact that she wanted to be in my life, but with my birth father, I believed he wasn't interested in being a part of my life at all. However, I sent him a friend request on Facebook and within 10 minutes, he sent me a long paragraph about how happy he was that I reached out to him.

My birth father and I have been in contact several times now, and I am talking to both birth parents and one of my birth sisters at least a few times a month.

It's very difficult trying to explain adoption to those who are not adopted. It's a very peculiar feeling because one has a birth family, and one has their adopted family. It's not like one loves their adopted family any less, but one wants to know who their birth parents were, what they experienced, and why they did what they did. Talking to my birth parents definitely helped me. I

comes down hard on me. The adoptive mother is the safe boundary the adoptee will push against. Marika seeks and receives advice from her birth mother, and I worry that she is igniting a split. I wonder if I am strong enough to withstand this.

I call the family constellation therapist and bring her up to date. She will help Marika begin to heal this.

In the meantime, I set the boundaries. "Once a month. You can email your birth mother once a month," I say.

She screams at me: "You will never know what it feels like to be adopted! You can't tell me what to do!"

She slams the door and I hear her wailing. I wait for things to calm down before I go back in and apologize for losing my temper. I wrap my arms around her and tell her I'm listening.

"I love you, Mom, but I love them, too, and I'm worried they're going to disappear again."

I email the birth mom and tell her how grateful I am that she has communicated with Marika, but ask her to please take it slow.

Soon, Marika hears from her older half-sister. She is lovely and warm. Marika is thrilled.

I share this article with Marika, and ask her to write her point of view. At first she

learned about my past and who I want to be.

What I would advise other kids who are adopted would be to just be yourself. Reach out if you want to and try to understand that as much as it hurts you, it does hurt them too. You are not a mistake, an accident or a wrong choice. You were meant to be on this earth for some reason. You can change the world in the blink of an eye, so don't think you aren't worth it. If you aren't ready to reach out, just reach out when you are. Don't push yourself. Remember how many people love you and care about you and those you wouldn't have met if you weren't adopted. Be brave.

Thanks for reading.

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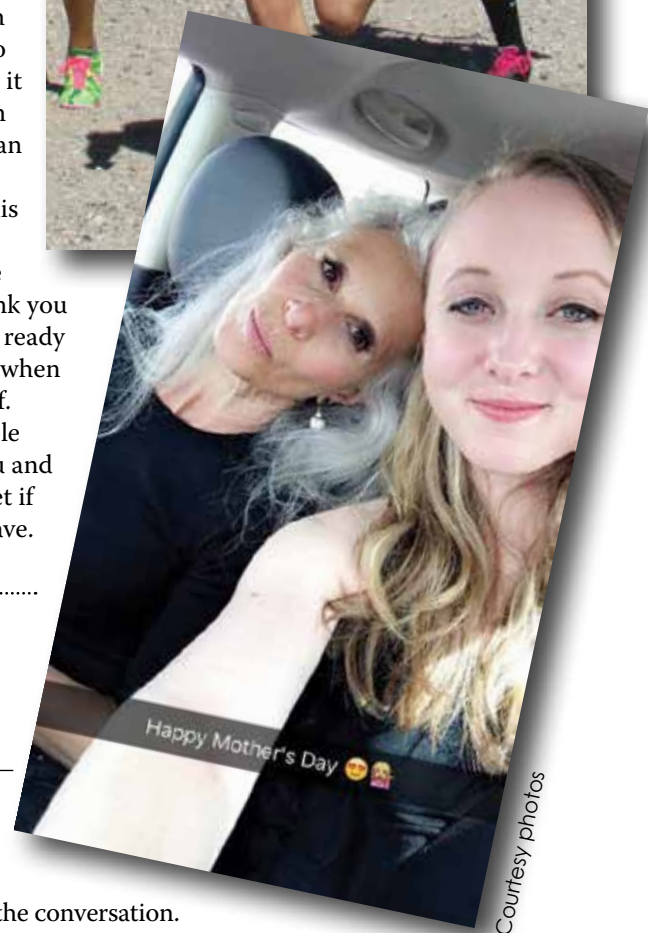
is worried that her article might upset the birth mom, were she to read it.

I say, "It will only deepen the conversation. Nothing you have said is anything to be ashamed of. You are helping others by telling the truth."

We are grateful for Marika's close relationships with friends, teachers and the community. Adoption requires heart on all sides. We encourage Marika to talk about her feelings and to ask for support.

To us she is a beam of light, and we're choosing to see this tender time of exploration as a chance to grow rather than shrink. Wholeness is formed through fire and ice. Leonard Cohen says,  
"Ring the bells that still can ring  
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*Amy Sayers is an artist, writer and teacher who lives in Santa Fe with her daughter, Marika, and husband, Gavin.*



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# THE UNIVERSE ACCORDING TO ME

How creative writing cracks kids' minds and worlds wide open • By Christian Nardi

## It all started a couple of years ago with an

email from Nikki Loftin's publicist asking if Bee Hive would be interested in the middle-grade author extraordinaire doing a creative writing workshop at the store. "Of course!" was the only reasonable answer. Thankfully. Because that workshop opened up a whole new world — not just to the 14 boys and girls who showed up that day, but to Bee Hive welcoming a different kind of creative awesomeness into the store, one that is now a permanent part of the Bee Hive culture. We've had tales of superpower-induced pets, time travel adventures, magical neighbors, food that flies, invisible friends — the list goes on — wafting from kids' imagination and into

the walls and floor boards of the store. I think that with all the magic that has been conjured up in the last two years, Bee Hive is officially an enchanted cottage.

So, clearly, in our eyes, a kids' bookstore and kids' writing go hand in hand. But take that part away. Take Bee Hive out of the equation and, really, with everything else kids have going on these days — what's the big deal about writing? Why add another thing to their busy lives? There are actually a few really great reasons.

The first big one is imagination. Writing is playtime for the brain. Coming up with alternate universes, characters and whatever magic or fantasy they are focusing on allows kids to think outside the box. It gives them an outlet for all the cool creative energy bubbling inside their heads. My 8-year-old daughter has written stories about a coin family, her brother as a fox (wearing purple socks), and Super Germ. This is stuff that needs to be encouraged before it becomes stifled by other things. It is pure, sweet greatness.

Another one is the simple fact that creative writing develops reading, writing and learning skills. Writing makes kids greedy for words. They start wanting to know how the dictionary works. And what's a thesaurus? And how do you spell this? And can I use this word here? It is learning in its most organic form. As J.K. Rowling once said, "I always advise children who ask me for tips on being a writer to read as much as they possibly can. Jane Austen gave a young friend the same advice, so I'm in good company there." Reading is essential to writing.

By creating something unique, writing develops self-confidence and identity. Not only do kids learn about themselves but they see what they are capable of creating. "There's really something magical about writing a full page of text at this age!" says Rachel Miller-Howard, an independent educator and Bee Hive's first resident writing instructor. The more they do, the more they want to do. "I always appreciated the kids' enthusiasm about sharing work," she says. And this just grows as their confidence does.

Creative writing teaches empathy. When kids create characters, they have to put themselves in their shoes. What are they thinking? How are they feeling? It helps them see that the world is different when seen through eyes other than their own.

Writing is an emotional outlet. It can be weird and scary to be a kid, and writing is an opportunity to express certain thoughts and ideas in a safe way. Maybe they create a character that lives out emotions that they are feeling. Or situations that they've experienced and find confusing. "In one workshop, we started working with an image of an abandoned house that sparked conversation. It was hugely symbolic and provoked emotions of being lonely, scared and sad. It really resonated with the kids," explains Krista Isaksen, Bee Hive's current resident creative writing instructor. Writing is an amazing tool for sorting out and processing big things.

Having said all this, all of which is really important — the bottom line is, writing is fun. It's fun to play around in a world that you create. To be the master of your own universe. To be caught up in a reality that you control — when in your other reality, you're not perhaps so much in control. To be free to make your characters blue, or dogs and pigs best friends, or parents that are invisible, or cars that run on grape juice. This is awesome stuff! "I've watched kids who thought they hated writing start producing stories, graphic novels and illustrations in their own free time," says Loftin. "Why? Writing can be fun, and





powerful, and magical. I can't think of a better way to spend an hour or two than learning how to use your words as magic wands!"

How can you encourage your kids to write? Really all it takes is a little creativity on your part. At Bee Hive, we love combining writing with visual projects. "I really enjoy doing activities that combine text and pictures. I think that really resonates with people that age and generates different ideas than text alone," says Miller-Howard. "It's like their heads are full of stories, but they've only got the basic writing tools down, so including illustration affords a broader opportunity to express themselves."

Another easy thing to do is to watch for things in books, either that you are reading together or that they are reading on their own, that are really making an impression on your kids. For instance, on a recent road trip, we listened to the audio version of *The Penderwicks* by Jeanne Birdsall, which has a lot of dialogue. Afterwards, my son was going around finishing people's sentences with, "said Mommy." Or, "said Olive." Or if he just said something, he'd tag it with, "said Cash." (Annoying! Nooooo!) He really tuned into that structure. He's only 5, so he isn't writing manifestos, yet. But my daughter went and created a story using the dialogue format.

Or maybe if your child really gets into the butt-kicking princess character in *The Princess in Black*, you can suggest that she write a story with her own butt-kicking character — nothing wrong with giving your kids writing ideas and empowering them along the way. Or maybe your kids are enamored with time travel or animals with human qualities. Encourage them to create their own stories using these elements, perhaps using a visual aspect to get them going.

Or, of course, there are always workshops. "Writing workshops help bring that feeling of wonder and mastery to young writers and readers, showing them the way to create their own Narnias, or Hogwarts, or Terabithias," says Loftin. Workshops are also important for community building. Helping kids find their tribe. "One of the kids at a workshop declared to the other students, 'You are so weird in the best way.' Meaning they were just like her," says Isaksen. At Bee Hive, we are committed to offering regular writing workshops with topics that engage and inspire kids based on different genres of literature. The classes are small, no pressure, interactive, with the simple goal that kids have fun and leave wanting to keep writing. And they take place in an enchanted cottage. Magic — guaranteed!

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# Mysteries on the

# Mesa

Petroglyph program provides clues to ancient and recorded history

By Judith Chaddick

"Mexico and the People Who Made Them" is a STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) activity-based curriculum that covers all core school subjects and Spanish. History comes alive when students discover that they are part of the story of how their ancestors lived.

The many outdoor activities extend classroom learning and deepen the students' understanding of their history. By investigating a basalt (hardened lava) rock and walking a 100-foot geologic timeline, for instance, students begin to understand how the history of New Mexico unfolded. Students learn how archaeologists record and classify petroglyphs. They are challenged to consider the importance of this cultural site, to develop a deep respect for it, and to think about how they can help to protect it.

By using ancient petroglyphs as a study guide, the Mesa Prieta curriculum provides teachers with fascinating pathways to teach the state's Common Core Standards in an innovative way. Teachers may borrow resource trunks (actually roller suitcases) with educational materials including the geological timeline, photos of petroglyphs, posters, maps, and fiction and nonfiction books for teachers and students. We ask teachers to do five to six units in class, with the field trip in the middle, so the students come to the mesa with some understanding of the geology, location and timeframe of what they are seeing. It can be incredibly exciting to them to see a petroglyph that they've drawn in class from a photograph.

Literacy activities are incorporated throughout the lessons. For example, after reading "A Visit to a Hispano Village," students can make their own adobes and create a miniature village. They are asked to select a character who might have lived in the village, such as a weaver, a blacksmith or a farmer, and write a story

## Most of us — especially kids — love a good mystery.

Just north of Española, on Mesa Prieta, there are over 75,000 petroglyphs, and many of them are not sharing their secrets.

The people who arrived on the land about 7,500 years ago made the earliest of these petroglyphs. These nomadic hunters and gatherers left abstract images whose meanings and purposes may never be thoroughly understood.

Most of the images were created by the ancestral Pueblo people who migrated from the Mesa Verde area into the Rio Grande Valley around 1250 AD. They created many thousands of images, such as people, animals, spirals and shields.

The arrival of Don Juan de Oñate and his caravan of Spanish settlers at Ohkay Owingeh in 1598 triggered the creation of thousands of images of crosses, horses, churches and even European coats of arms, pecked into the rocks over the next 300 years. Did Europeans make them, or did Pueblo people? This is another mystery.

When students come on a tour of Mesa Prieta, their imaginations go wild as they try to imagine what the creators of the petroglyphs were expressing. Some of the images seem familiar: a dog, a Pueblo dancer, a flute player or a lion. But why were they put there and what is their meaning?

The Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Project (MPPP) has been recording these petroglyphs for 17 years. This nonprofit organization's founder, Katherine Wells, purchased 188 acres of land on Mesa Prieta in 1992 and immediately realized how significant the property was. In 2007, she donated most of it to the Archaeological Conservancy in order to protect it for posterity. Now the MPPP has more than 100 volunteers who record petroglyphs and lead tours on the mesa.

## School-Based Experiences for Youth

In 2009, the Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Project developed an innovative school curriculum to bring local history, science, culture and arts to life for fourth to seventh graders. "Discovering Mesa Prieta — The Petroglyphs of Northern New





about that person's daily life and work and share it with a younger class.

The curriculum gives teachers and their students, many of whom have Hispano or Native heritage, an enriched awareness of their ancestry. One student wrote after his visit to the mesa, "I liked that I could learn more about what my ancestors did and how they did it." For some students, this is their first experience hiking in nature. They also discover some of the natural wonders on the mesa such as the use of medicinal plants and how pack rats protect their nests using cactus spines.

## Field Experiences for Teens

Some of the students who have discovered Mesa Prieta through classroom activities and field trips go on to participate in the Summer Youth Intern Program, which won a national "Take Pride in America" award in 2011. For other interns, the summer program is a totally new experience.

Each June, teenagers from the local Pueblos and Hispano communities attend this two-week program, now in its 15<sup>th</sup> year, in which they record petroglyphs and other human artifacts on Mesa Prieta. They work with professional archaeologists and MPPP volunteers, who teach them teamwork, photography, scientific measuring and drawing, and how to use a GPS unit. This is the real deal, discovering petroglyphs that may not have been seen for hundreds of years. At the end of the program the students enter their data into a national database. Each student receives a small stipend and comes away with a sense of accomplishment, skills development and perseverance. In the process they make new friends and possibly discover a lifelong interest or career.

As Herman Agoyo, a revered leader and elder of Ohkay Owingeh, said in a statement delivered to the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs in 1986:



(Previous page) Summer interns work alongside professional archaeologists to measure, photograph and record petroglyphs and other human artifacts on the Mesa Prieta site. (This page) Students begin to conceptualize the age of the mesa and petroglyphs through creating a "geological timeline."

"To us, these petroglyphs are not the remnants of some long lost civilization that has been dead for many years.... They are part of our living culture. What is stored in the petroglyphs is not written in any book or to be found in any library. We need to return to them to remind us of who we are and where we came from, and to teach our own sons and daughters of it.

"The petroglyphs are under a severe threat from vandalism and land development activities. For this reason, there is a need to protect the petroglyphs in a way that will allow us to continue to use them for religious purposes, as well as to save them for the benefit of both Indians and non-Indian visitors who come to appreciate our culture."

## Learning Opportunities for All

This summer, consider scheduling a petroglyph tour for your family. The MPPP provides trained volunteer docents who lead groups on tours of the Wells Petroglyph Preserve. Information about public and private tours may be found on our website, [www.mesaprietapetroglyphs.org](http://www.mesaprietapetroglyphs.org).

If you are interested in our local heritage, archaeology and spending some quality time outdoors, become a volunteer! Contact Gretchen Yost, volunteer coordinator, at [volunteer@mesaprietapetroglyphs.org](mailto:volunteer@mesaprietapetroglyphs.org).

Also on our website, you'll find "Discovering Mesa Prieta," the award-winning interactive STEM-based curriculum for grades four through seven that has been used in over 20 Pueblo and community schools, and information on signing up for our next free teacher workshop, in September.

Participants have already been selected for this year's Summer Youth Intern Program, but please check the website in Spring 2017 for the application to next year's session.

*Judith Chaddick was the lead writer for the original "Discovering Mesa Prieta" 2009 edition curriculum.*

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# KIDS + DOGS = LOVE

(and so much more)

By Linda Milanesi

## We all know what magic

happens when you put kids and dogs together: mutual, unconditional love; increased self-esteem; an enhanced sense of consistency in a world that often feels topsy-turvy. Student training programs of Assistance Dogs of the West (ADW) do all that and more.

ADW was founded in 1995 by current program director Jill Felice. While undertaking the difficult and compassionate work of training her family dogs to help care for a sister with severe cerebral palsy, Felice discovered that the partnership of canines and humans — learning together to navigate the world, build resources and find new solutions — held infinite promise.

Over the years, ADW has provided trained service dogs to more than 300 people with disabilities in order to increase self-reliance and independence. From its inception, ADW incorporated an innovative, powerful educational component through which students learn to train service dogs guided by professional dog trainers who are also instructors. Each year, at several area facilities, 250 New Mexico student trainers ages 8 to 18 develop positive, heart-filled relationships and improve the lives of people with disabilities.

Professional trainers instruct service dogs in the 100 behaviors essential to their ADW roles, and some also serve as instructors to a diverse student population. Students learn how to support the dogs' behaviors in their classes, refine the commands in public places, and experience firsthand what working with service dogs entails.

Positive reinforcement — inquiry, kindness, consistency, clarity in communications, leadership and, most importantly, rewarding desired behavior — is the foundation of ADW's approach to training the service dogs. This philosophy is also the basis of the ADW student-teaching practice, and our student trainers respond to this encouraging environment with increased self-esteem and greater empathy for people with varied abilities.

The student trainers, some of whom come in with social and emotional challenges, benefit from hours of animal interaction. Students with delayed speech blossom through the opportunity to speak commands to dogs waiting to respond without judgment. Students with physical disabilities reach beyond what they typically can get their bodies to do. And students who are on the autism spectrum, who have seizure disorders, or who have extreme developmental disabilities experience the safety and calm their canine companions provide simply through the warmth of unwavering presence and connection.

ADW clients who receive service dogs range from ages 5 to 95, and have equally



Kids and canines make friends at ADW summer camp.

diverse ethnic backgrounds and financial means. Many share firsthand with ADW student classes the story of their disability, how it affects their lives and how their dog helps them.

Student trainers meet clients with disabilities and challenges such as autism; diabetes; seizure disorders; mobility challenges from disease, genetics, or accidents that may have resulted in traumatic brain injury; post-traumatic stress disorder; and other psychiatric diagnoses.

Some ADW-trained dogs go to handlers at public facilities, where they help clients in occupational, physical and psychological therapy practices; stressed students in universities; and child victims in court settings (see next page). In 2015, students met with FBI staff from the Office of Victim Assistance to learn about the first Crisis Response Canines in the bureau's history.

ADW dogs are able to provide services they do as a result of the student trainers' hard work and willingness to let their special dogs go in order to improve someone

else's life. As Lily, a 10-year-old student who participates in ADW's after school and summer programs, reflected, "I like training the dogs, but I also really like knowing that when I train them they will go to someone with a disability or problem."

Simply put, what grows out of the relationship between these student trainers and the assistance dogs is profound. Clients receive improved quality of life, and student trainers are stellar examples of young community volunteers and advocates for community wellbeing who are making real differences in the world.

Students can learn to train assistance dogs at ADW afterschool and summer programs at La Mariposa Montessori School and Desert Academy. This year's summer camps are full, but to sign up for an afterschool training program, or to apply for an ADW service dog, please see [AssistanceDogsoftheWest.org](http://AssistanceDogsoftheWest.org).

*Linda Milanesi, executive director, has worked with Assistance Dogs of the West for over 10 years.*

*Editor's note: The Long-Timers' Club salutes people and organizations that have been serving children and families in Santa Fe for 15 years or more. In this issue we raise a paw to Assistance Dogs of the West, which since 1995 has been teaching students to train dogs to help people with exceptional mental, physical or emotional needs.*



## COURT HOUSE DOGS PROVIDE COMFORT FOR CHILDREN IN THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM

In 2010, Assistance Dogs of the West began providing dogs for the Courthouse Dog program, working with crime victims — predominantly children — to help foster a safer and more comfortable environment as they provide depositions and give testimony in court. The dogs play a crucial role in easing stress felt by the children, and often aid prosecutors achieving convictions. ADW is the official southwest representative for the national Courthouse Dogs Foundation.

One child not long ago, for example, witnessed a horrific crime and couldn't talk about what had actually happened. He sat under the desk and cuddled with one of the dogs and was finally able to disclose to the dog what had actually happened. That's the kind of effect these courthouse dogs often have.

Veronica Montano-Pilch, executive director of CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children, in Albuquerque), says of Cassie, an ADW-trained black lab in the Courthouse Dog program, "She brings comfort to everyone. Social workers request her, lawyers request her, judges request her, our CASA advocates request her. She just makes everyone feel comfortable."



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Russell, a specially-trained court dog, helps children feel safer in a stressful situation.

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## But What's There for Them to Do out There?

Prepare to be surprised by kids at play in nature

By Katherine Watson

**As I lead a group of students, parent chaperones and teachers out to the nature play area of the Pajarito Environmental Education Center (PEEC), I sense some hesitation on the part of the adults. Is this safe? What are the learning objectives? Why is this unstructured activity part of their field trip? What are the kids going to do in this place?**

The nature play area at the PEEC, which operates out of the Los Alamos Nature Center, is not a playground. There are no slides, swings or other equipment. All that's there is what you would typically find in an untended outdoor area — trees, some grass and weeds, sticks, pinecones, a few wildflowers and, because we're in Los Alamos, some interesting land forms, including small canyons with intermittent water and big boulders. As I explain the rules to the kids (stay within these boundaries; have fun) and hand out brochures with helpful tips to the parents (unstructured play in nature is good for your kids' intellectual and emotional development, teaches them healthy risk-taking, and has a wealth of other research-proven benefits), the kids look excited. When I release them, they take off.

I stand near the parents, one of whom says to me, "But there's nothing for them to play with!" I suggest we go and watch.

Some kids are already building

a fort. Others are "fishing" with sticks over the dry canyon bed. Another small group is setting up a trading post and stocking it with things that might be useful — pinecones, bits of interesting trash, sticks of just the right size, pretty rocks. Soon a small society is bustling about its daily business. The children are happy, busy and intent on their play.

The comments from parents and teachers change after watching nature play in action. A teacher says to me, "I've never seen my whole class play together like this without fighting. It's amazing!" A parent says, "Look, they're using engineering principles to build that fort." Another teacher chimes in, "That student has never take a leadership role, but look at her now!"

Children continue to surprise and inspire us in nature, when we give them the right challenges. On another field trip, a preschooler who has difficulties with mobility starts out in the nature play area sitting on the ground playing quietly. As she plays, she watches her classmates attempting some of the steeper terrain and decides to try to join them. Her mother and teachers are nervous, but she is determined. So they decide to help her out a little, holding her hand as she carefully walks up the slope. After a few times up and down, she can do it by herself. She is so proud of herself, and her mother and teachers are equally proud of her. She



The Los Alamos Nature Center offers indoor exhibits, outdoor trails and special events.

Courtesy photos



chooses to stay in the area for the rest of the playtime, going up and down the outcrop, exercising her motor skills and her confidence. Afterwards, her mother says, "You liked that hiking, didn't you? Maybe we should do more of that."

Nature play exercises the body and the imagination. On this field trip, the children build "campfires" with the sticks. Some of them extend it to making a whole campground, with miniature cabins, tents and fire pits. One boy builds a castle out of sticks. It has lots of rooms, and he proudly gives a tour, explaining each room's function. When I ask him who lives there, he looks around for a minute and says, "He does!" and places a nice, fat pinecone in the living room. After the field trip is over, the teacher evaluation reads, "I was very unsure what to expect. I wasn't sure how nature would be made fun for preschoolers. They seemed to really enjoy it and they were encouraged to explore and play with things they typically would not play with. The kids did different things outside than I have ever seen them do before."

The beauty of nature play is that it can be experienced in so many places. It's not hard to play in nature with your own kids, even if you're unsure what to expect. Have confidence that they will find a way to play, even if there's "nothing" there for them to play with. Take them somewhere fun, whether it's your backyard or a local trailhead, and give them space to explore, imagine, dream and create.

The PEEC at the Los Alamos Nature Center offers a range of outdoor activities for your family to enjoy, with varying degrees of difficulty:

- **Passport to the Pajarito Plateau:** Come to the Los Alamos Nature Center, Bandelier National Monument or Valles Caldera National Preserve to pick up your free passport and crayon rocks. Inside, you'll find maps of 16 family-friendly trails around Los Alamos and the two parks. As you hike the trails, look for a wooden post or bench with a special metal plate attached. When you find the plate, "stamp" your passport by making a rubbing on that trail's page. Each trail has its own unique plate design, created by local artist Heather Ward. Once you've stamped two, five, eight and 12 trails, return to the nature center for prizes to use on your next outdoor adventure. There's a special prize for anyone who completes all 16 trails — and no deadline for completing the trails — so maybe you'll hike some under beautiful fall colors, and snowshoe others. (Special thanks to the Delle Foundation for making this program possible.)
- **Los Alamos Trails App:** Available free from the iTunes store or Google Play, this app created by the PEEC, Bandelier Monument and the Valle Caldera will guide you to the trailhead, provide step-by-step hiking directions, and even show exactly where you are on the route as you hike. It



also has interesting facts about the trails and a search feature where you can look for trails by season, difficulty level, suitability for kids or dogs, and more. While you're on the trail, take a picture to send a postcard through the app, complete with latitude and longitude, to your friends to let them see the fun you're having.

- **Green Hour Hikes:** These kid-centered hikes begin every Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. at the PEEC. Sometimes the group covers a lot of distance; sometimes it doesn't get any farther than an interesting pile of sand just past the trailhead. The point is that it's kid-led and kid-focused.
- **Young at Heart Hikes:** These intergenerational hikes, which begin Saturdays at 10 a.m., encourage activities and friendships between people of all ages.
- **Nature Playtimes:** This free program for children 0 to 5 and caregivers takes place at the Los Alamos Nature Center every Monday (except holidays) from 10 to 11 a.m., with crafts, sensory activities, imaginary play, stories and short hikes, based on a different nature theme each week. Nature Playtimes attract a big crowd of like-minded families.

- **Summer Family Evenings:** Sponsored by Del Norte Credit Union, family evening programs are every Wednesday in June and July at 6:30 p.m., with special visits from the Rattlesnake Museum (June 15), Wild Sprit Wolf Sanctuary (June 22), and baby goats from Second Bloom Farm and Gypsy Mountain Ranch (June 29), among others. Admission is \$5 per family, or free for PEEC member families.
- **Family Nights:** The second Tuesday of every month year-round at 6 p.m., Family Nights are free to all thanks to support from the Kiwanis Club of Los Alamos. This summer's programs will be led by beloved children's librarian Melissa Mackey. Last summer, families enjoyed s'mores, campfire games, songs, stories and more.
- **Indoors at the Nature Center:** Highlights for families include a Children's Discovery Area; interactive exhibits about local nature; wildlife-viewing room; Nature Play Area; and a planetarium with full-dome films, night sky shows, fractal shows and, in August, laser light shows.

Whenever or however you get outside, you'll be connecting with your family and with the lovely nature that surrounds us in northern New Mexico. We'd love to hear about what you discover. Visit us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/peecnature/](http://www.facebook.com/peecnature/).

*Katherine Watson is the executive director of the Pajarito Environmental Education Center.*



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## FOOD DEPOT EXPANDS FREE LUNCH PROGRAM

By Jennifer West

As parents, we stress over so many details for our children. Did they finish their homework? What kind of influences are they coming across at school? Do they have everything to be the most productive little people they can be?

For some New Mexican parents, when school is out on summer break there's one more very real worry to add to the list: how to provide another daily meal when it's already tough making ends meet.

In New Mexico, one in three children are affected by hunger. Hunger is especially detrimental for kids because it impacts learning and development.

Recognizing the need in our community, the Food Depot last year piloted the Lunch Box Express program at three sites in Santa Fe. This year, the program will expand to six sites. Beginning May 23, a school bus will stop at these locations to distribute free lunches, including milk and fresh produce (see box for routes and schedule).

## LUNCH BOX EXPRESS 2016 ROUTES AND SCHEDULE

The Lunch Box Express will serve six locations in Santa Fe this summer, beginning May 23. Each stop will be only 30 minutes, to give the bus time to get to the next site.

### ROUTE 1

- 11 a.m.: Country Club Gardens, 6151 Airport Road, in the community room.
- 11:45 a.m.: Riverside de Santa Fe, 7460 Riverside Loop, by the pool and park.
- 12:30 p.m.: Cottonwood Village, 6441 Cypress Street, in the community room.

### ROUTE 2

- 11 a.m.: Atocha Mobile Home Park North, 3501 Rufina Street, north side at the park (on the left if coming from Siler Road).
- 11:45 a.m.: Atocha Mobile Home Park South, 3501 Rufina Street, south side at the park (on the right if coming from Siler Road).
- 12:30 p.m.: Lone Star Trailer Ranch, 4241 Agua Fria Street, in the middle of the park by the old community building.

Anyone ages 1 to 18 years can receive a free lunch, with no application necessary. This will provide kids with one meal a day that they might otherwise go without — allowing children and families to play, learn and enjoy summer. In addition to meals, activities such as story times and art classes will be offered by partner community organizations to keep kids engaged throughout the summer.

If you or your organization would like to volunteer for this summer's Lunch Box Express, please contact Nate Patrus, the Food Depot's volunteer coordinator, at 471-1633, ext. 15; or [npatrus@thefooddepot.org](mailto:npatrus@thefooddepot.org). You can start volunteering for the program any time during the summer once your background check is complete. There's no cost to our volunteers to run your background check.

*Jennifer West is the community relations coordinator at the Food Depot, the food bank for nine counties in northern New Mexico.*

## SANTA FE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM REOPENS

The Santa Fe Children's Museum reopened to the public on April 29 after a nearly four-month closure for the board to make improvements to the facility and consider ways to enhance the institution's financial sustainability.

"Stopping cold and looking at ourselves in the mirror gave us a chance to look at our organization and see what needed to be done in the long term to make us stronger," board president Sally Mittler said on the day of the museum's reopening.

The first new feature visitors will notice is the Courtyard Café, just beyond the admission desk, providing lunch, snacks and coffee drinks catered by Two Sprout Farm.

Many changes were in progress on reopening day, including improvements to the indoor greenhouse to include potting and planting materials, and microscopes. Youth Conservation Corps members are building three thematic gardens based around tea, butterflies and pollinators, and the ABCs, and expanding the museum's existing community garden. Plans are underway for a Makers Space and renovations to the outdoor amphitheater.

Organizational changes include a return to the museum's original division of leadership between three co-directors, who will share duties of education, community outreach and development.

After reevaluating its financial structure, the board decided that the museum will

remain a nonprofit, independent institution, but will strengthen its partnerships with other community organizations. Current or future collaborators include Meow Wolf, Santa Fe Science Initiative, Big Sky Learning, Beehive Books, Santa Fe Model Railroad Club, and other local museums including Bataan and New Mexico History.

To broaden its visitor base, the museum is adding more Spanish-language signs and web text, and hiring more bilingual staff members. It recently joined Museums for All, a program of the Association of Children's Museums through which visitors with an EBT card for food assistance receive substantially reduced admission for up to four people.

While the museum had remained available for school groups and private parties, Mittler stands by the decision to close to the general public for an extended time.

"Sometimes you just need to hit 'pause' in order to move forward," Mittler said, alluding to her preferred metaphor for the museum's closure as a "reboot."

"It's easy for nonprofits to develop a scarcity mentality," she explained, "to look only at the immediate problem and not look ahead at what you need to do to be done for our long-range health."

"We're 30 years old. We should make sure we're relevant to our community."

The Santa Fe Children's Museum is located at 1050 Old Pecos Trail.



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spiritual symbol as well — that all the junk, the unwanted, the “trash” can become a substance so life-giving. Imagine if we could “compost” our negative life-experiences as easily as our banana peels and lawn clippings, if we allowed our frustrations, pains and tragedies to be transformed into fertile beauty! The last time I had “one of those days” where nothing seemed to go well, my husband said gently to me, “How can you compost this experience? How can we make it something to grow from?” I think of this often when I garden with my family. My toddler son helps me spread the finished, healthy compost at the base of our fruit trees, patting it down softly as a nourishing gift for the tree’s development. With the nutrients in this compost, our tree can grow taller, branch out farther and produce great fruit. My greatest hope

is that I have likewise transformed the trials and sadnesses from my own life into wisdom, into a substance that will nourish my son’s and my growth.

At the end of Earth Care’s school garden classes, we all thank the worms for helping make the soil and thank the soil for growing our food. In my heart, I’m also thanking these kids and their families who live out these lessons every day, at every meal, in their homes. There is less waste, fewer greenhouse gas emissions, a healthier environment, and excited, eco-literate children. The world is better for everyone because of family participation in home composting.

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*Ashley Zappe is Earth Care’s sustainability education program manager.*

## Take a worm to lunch (and breakfast and dinner and snacks...)

If you don’t have space for a pile or a bin, or want to accelerate the decomposition process in your bin, I recommend composting with pet worms (also called “vermicomposting”). Worm bins are inexpensive to make and easy to use, don’t require turning and can do their job in less space than a typical compost bin or pile. Your pet worms can live in your garage or on your porch eating your kitchen scraps year-round in Santa Fe.

### Materials

- Two 8- to 10-gallon opaque (not clear!) plastic storage bins with lids
- Drill (with quarter- and sixteenth-inch bits) for making drainage and ventilation holes
- Newspaper, shredded into 1-inch strips, enough to fill the bin up about 3-4 inches
- About one pound of worms (can be obtained at the Farmers Market).

### Instructions

1) Drill about 20 evenly spaced quarter-inch holes in the bottom of both bins. This will allow the worms to move from one bin to another, and any excess moisture to drain out.

2) Drill smaller holes about 2 inches apart around the edge at the top of each bin, to

allow ventilation. Also drill about 30 holes in **one** of the lids (not both lids! One lid must stay solid in order to catch any extra liquid.)

3) Prepare a habitat for the worms by adding 3 to 4 inches of shredded newspaper (color is okay, but shiny pages are not). You can also use coir (a natural fiber made from coconut husks, available in gardening stores). Spray the habitat with water until it is damp, but not soggy. It should be the consistency of a wrung-out sponge. Add a handful of dirt from outside and mix in.

4) Add your worms and watch them wiggle into their new home! (Giving each worm a name is optional.)

5) Place a piece of cardboard (cut to the size of the bin) on top of the habitat to help keep moisture in, and stack the second (empty, for now) bin (covered with the lid with the holes in it) above the bin with the worms.

Keep your worm somewhere that doesn’t get too hot or too cold. My garage is an ideal place, but many people use their laundry room or even under their kitchen sink. Once you’ve found a good location, place the lid with no holes on the ground. Place the bin with worms in it on the lid, so that the lid will catch any extra liquid that drips out (this liquid is great fertilizer for plants). If you’re concerned about airflow, raise the bin up an inch or two on bricks,

sturdy plastic cups or some other bolster at each corner.

### Feeding

Worms are vegetarian. Give them anything that comes from a plant (broccoli stems, carrot tops, potato peels, apple cores, paper towels, etc.) and *not* anything greasy, cheesy, oily or from animals. The smaller the pieces of food, the faster they will be eaten. Feed once a week by burying the veggie scraps in a different corner each time. If you notice the previous week’s food has not been eaten yet, wait a little longer between feedings, or try adding some food that they enjoy more.

### Harvesting

This is where that second bin comes in. After your worms have eaten all the food in the first (lower) bin, prepare new bedding in the second (upper) bin, and set it up as the first one with some new food. The worms will gradually run out of food in the bottom bin and make a new home closer to the new food in the top bin. This usually happens faster when the worms are happy and warm, but it can happen in winter too. Then, you can just scoop out the finished compost in the bottom bin and add it to your soil!

Pictures can be found at: [www.backdoor-survival.com/diy-worm-bin/](http://www.backdoor-survival.com/diy-worm-bin/).



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## MISTERIOS EN LA MESA

Programa de petroglifos ofrece claves a la historia antigua

Por Judith Chaddick, Traducción de Flor de María Oliva

### Casi a todos — especialmente a los niños —

nos encanta una historia de misterio. Al norte de Española, en Mesa Prieta, hay más de 75.000 petroglifos y muchos de ellos todavía no comparten sus secretos.

La gente que llegó a esas tierras hace como unos 7.500 años hizo los más antiguos de estos petroglifos. Estos cazadores y recolectores nómadas dejaron grabadas imágenes abstractas cuyo significado y propósito talvez nunca llegue a entenderse completamente.

La mayoría de las imágenes fueron creadas por los habitantes de pueblos ancestrales que migraron del área de Mesa Verde al Valle del Río Grande alrededor de 1250 AD. Crearon miles de imágenes de personas, animales, espirales y escudos.

La llegada de Don Juan de Oñate y su caravana de colonizadores españoles en

Ohkay Owingeh en 1598 originó la creación de miles de imágenes de cruces, caballos, iglesias y hasta escudos de armas europeos, picados en las rocas durante los próximos 300 años. ¿Los hicieron los europeos o la gente de los pueblos? Este es otro misterio.

Cuando vienen estudiantes a visitar Mesa Prieta, su imaginación se desata al tratar de pensar lo que los que hicieron los petroglifos estaban expresando. Algunas de las imágenes parecen familiares: un perro, un danzante de un pueblo, un flautista o un león. Sin embargo, ¿por qué los pusieron allí y qué significado tenían?

El proyecto de petroglifos de Mesa Prieta (MPPP, por sus siglas en inglés) ha estado formando un récord de estos petroglifos durante 17 años. La fundadora de esta organización no lucrativa, Katherine Wells, compró 188 acres de tierra en Mesa Prieta en 1992 e inmediatamente comprendió la importancia de la propiedad. En el 2007, Wells donó a la Archaeological Conservancy la mayor parte de esa tierra con el fin de protegerla para la posteridad. Ahora la MPPP tiene más de 100 voluntarios que llevan un registro de los petroglifos y guían visitas en la mesa.

### EXPERIENCIAS ESCOLARES PARA LOS JÓVENES

En el 2009, el MPPP desarrolló un innovador programa de estudios para hacer más vivas la historia local, ciencia, cultura y artes para los alumnos de cuarto a séptimo grados. “Descubrir la Mesa Prieta – Los petroglifos del Norte de Nuevo México y la gente que los hizo” es un programa de estudios que se basa en actividades de las ciencias, tecnología, ingeniería y matemáticas (STEM, por sus siglas en inglés), y que cubre todas las materias de estudio principales, incluso el español. La historia cobra vida cuando los estudiantes descubren que ellos son parte de la historia de la forma en que vivieron sus ancestros.

La variedad de actividades al aire libre extiende el aprendizaje del salón de clase y profundiza el entendimiento de los estudiantes sobre su historia. Al investigar una piedra de basalto (lava endurecida) y caminar una cronología de 100 pies, por ejemplo,

los estudiantes empiezan a entender cómo se fue desarrollando la historia de Nuevo México. Aprenden la forma en que los arqueólogos llevaban récords y clasificaban los petroglifos. Se ven retados a considerar la importancia de este sitio cultural, a desarrollar un profundo respeto por él y a pensar en maneras de protegerlo.

Al usar petroglifos antiguos como guía de estudios, el programa Mesa Prieta ofrece a los maestros fascinantes vías para enseñar los estándares básicos del estado en una forma innovadora. Los maestros pueden tomar prestadas maletas llenas de materiales educativos que incluyen la cronología geológica, fotografías de petroglifos, carteles, mapas y libros de ficción y no ficción para ellos y sus estudiantes.

Se pide a los maestros que enseñen de cinco a seis unidades en clase, con una excursión para que los estudiantes vengan a la mesa con algún conocimiento

de la geología, ubicación y el período de lo que están viendo. Puede ser sumamente emocionante para ellos estar frente a un petroglifo que ya hayan visto en una fotografía y dibujado en clase.

Las actividades de alfabetización se incorporan por medio de lecciones. Por ejemplo, después de leer “Una visita a una villa hispana”, los estudiantes pueden hacer adobes y crear un pueblo en miniatura. Se les pide que escojan un personaje que pudiera haber vivido en el pueblo, como por ejemplo una tejedora, un herrero o un granjero, y que escriban una historia sobre la vida diaria de esa persona y su trabajo y que compartan su historia con una clase de un grado menor.

El programa de estudios les da a los maestros y sus estudiantes — muchos de quienes tienen raíces hispanas o nativoamericanas — un conocimiento muy rico de sus antepasados. Después de una visita a la mesa, un estudiante escribió: “Me gustó que pude aprender más lo

que mis ancestros hicieron y la forma en que lo hicieron”. Para algunos estudiantes, esta es la primera vez que caminan en la naturaleza. Otros también descubren algunas de las maravillas naturales de la mesa, tales como el uso de las plantas medicinales y cómo las ratas protegen sus nidos usando espinas de cactus

### EXPERIENCIAS EN EL CAMPO PARA ADOLESCENTES

Algunos de los estudiantes que han descubierto Mesa Prieta por medio de actividades en el salón de clase o excursiones pasan a participar en el programa de jóvenes internos de verano, el cual ganó el premio nacional “Take Pride in America” en el 2011. Para otros internos, el programa de verano es una experiencia totalmente nueva.

Cada junio, adolescentes de los pueblos y comunidades hispanas locales asisten a este programa de dos semanas, que ya lleva 15 años de existencia, y en el cual llevan registros de petroglifos y otros artefactos humanos en Mesa Prieta. Trabajan con arqueólogos profesionales y voluntarios del MPPP, quienes les enseñan a trabajar en equipo, fotografía, medición y dibujo científico, así como



Estudiantes dibujan petroglifos durante una excursión en Mesa Prieta

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el uso de unidades del sistema de posicionamiento global, (GPS por sus siglas en inglés).

Descubrir petroglifos que pueden no haber sido vistos por siglos es algo real. Al final del programa los estudiantes entran su información en una base nacional de datos. Cada uno recibe un pequeño estipendio y obtiene, además, un sentido de haber cumplido con algo, desarrollado habilidades y perseverado. En el proceso, hacen nuevas amistades y hasta es posible que descubran un interés que perdure toda su vida o una carrera.

Como Herman Agoyo, un estimado líder y anciano de Ohkay Owingeh, dijo en una declaración que hizo ante el Comité de Asuntos Insurales y del Interior de la Cámara de Representantes de EE. UU. en 1986: "Para nosotros, estos petroglifos no son los restos de una civilización perdida hace mucho tiempo que ha estado muerta por muchos años... Son parte de nuestra cultura viviente. Lo que guardan los petroglifos no está escrito en ningún libro ni se puede

encontrar en una biblioteca. Necesitamos regresar a ellos para recordarnos de quiénes somos y de dónde venimos y enseñárselo a nuestros hijos e hijas.

"Los petroglifos están bajo una gran amenaza de vandalismo y actividades de desarrollo rural. Por eso, existe la necesidad de proteger los petroglifos de manera que nos permita seguir usándolos para fines religiosos, así como conservarlos para el beneficio tanto de visitantes indígenas como no indígenas que vienen a apreciar nuestra cultura."

### OPORTUNIDADES DE APRENDIZAJE PARA TODOS

Este verano, considere ir de excursión a los petroglifos con su familia. El MPPP ofrece docentes voluntarios para guiar grupos en visitas a la Reserva de Petroglifos Wells. Puede encontrar información sobre estas visitas, públicas y privadas, en: [www.mesaprietapetroglyphs.org](http://www.mesaprietapetroglyphs.org).

Si se interesa en nuestra herencia local, en la

arqueología y en disfrutar tiempo de calidad al aire libre, hágase voluntario. Comuníquese con Gretchen Yost, coordinadora de voluntarios, en [volunteer@mesaprietapetroglyphs.org](mailto:volunteer@mesaprietapetroglyphs.org).

En nuestro sitio electrónico también encontrará "Discovering Mesa Prieta," un programa de estudios para los grados del cuatro al siete, basado en STEM, que ha recibido premios y se ha usado en más de 20 escuelas comunitarias y de pueblos. También allí hay información para inscribirse en nuestro próximo taller para maestros que se llevará a cabo en septiembre.

Los participantes ya fueron seleccionados para el programa de jóvenes internos de verano de este año, pero infórmese en nuestro sitio electrónico sobre la solicitud para participar en la sesión de la primavera del 2017.


*Judith Chaddick fue la escritora principal para la edición del 2009 del programa original de estudios "Discovering Mesa Prieta."*

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## SUMMER OVERNIGHT CAMPS

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This summer, Children's Grief Center will offer Camp Corazon, a free three-day, two-night camp, just for kids age 7 to seniors in high school who are grieving the death of someone important to them. The camp will run July 22 to 24 in Sandia Park, New Mexico. Campers must register by July 1. Space is limited. Call (505) 323-0478 or go to [www.childrensgrief.org](http://www.childrensgrief.org).

### MOUNTAIN FRIENDS CAMP 2016

A small, residential summer camp for youth ages 10 to 15 (entering grades 5 through 10), located in a beautiful, rustic location bordering national forest, 12 miles from Santa Fe. July 3 through 16 (\$800); July 17 to 23 (\$450); Family Camp, June 24 to 27, grounded in the Quaker values of simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality and stewardship. All backgrounds and faiths welcome. Campers make great friends, explore nature, create art, share responsibility and find themselves. Contact Anastacia Ebi: (435) 554-1132, [director@mountainfriendscamp.org](mailto:director@mountainfriendscamp.org). For more information: [www.MountainFriendsCamp.org](http://www.MountainFriendsCamp.org).

## SUMMER DAY CAMPS & PROGRAMS

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### ACEQUIA MADRE SUMMER GARDEN CAMPS

Campers in grades K through 6 explore the wonders of gardening in a small family-like setting, along with plenty of time for free play, team building games, creative art projects, simple plays and skits. May 23 to 27, June 6 to 10 and August 8 to 12, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Acequia Madre School Garden. Camps are \$175 per week, or \$40 per day. Maximum 20 campers. Email [brooksmolly1@gmail.com](mailto:brooksmolly1@gmail.com) to register.

### ARTS OF NATURE

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Come join us for innovative camps in our new, exciting studio! These camps empower students to make unique and expressive art. The visual arts help youth discover more about themselves, their worth and their talent. The \$100 fee includes all materials and snacks. Scholarships available. Camps offered for grades K through 3, and grades 3 through 6. Visit our website at [artsmartnm.org](http://artsmartnm.org) for registration and schedules. Camps will be at our new location, 1201 Parkway Drive. For more information contact Amanda: [aneiter@artsmartnm.org](mailto:aneiter@artsmartnm.org) or 992-2787.

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### BEE HIVE SUMMER WRITING WORKSHOP

Finding the Spark: Looking to art, nature, people, each other and more in search of the things that spark our creativity and inspire us to write, May 23 to May 27, August 1 to 5. Getting Crafty: Crafting a story from conjuring up a great first sentence, mapping out the plot and getting to know your characters, to wrapping up a wonderful story, August 8 to August 12. All workshops meet 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Ages 8 and up. Bee Hive, 328 Montezuma Avenue, Santa Fe. Call 780-8051.

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Christ Church Santa Fe invites kids 3 years to sixth grade to Mission Adventure Day Camp, June 6 to 10, 9 to 11:30 a.m. (prior to lunch). We provide a fun-packed exploration of life in other places in the world, experiencing their foods, crafts and culture, and seeing what the Christian experience looks like in these faraway lands. Camp is free, but there is a nominal cost for the themed t-shirt. Centrally located at the corner of Don Gaspar and Cordova. Call 982-8817 or go to [www.christchurchsantafe.org](http://www.christchurchsantafe.org).

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## NDI NEW MEXICO

This summer, NDI New Mexico at the Dance Barns offers Arts in Motion for ages 12 to 18, a full-day dance intensive in ballet, jazz, modern and other specialties (July 11 to 22); Arts in Motion Too!, for ages 7 to 12 (July 5 to 8 and July 25 to 28, from 1 to 4 p.m.); and Early Steps Dance Camp, for ages 3 to 6 to joyfully explore fundamentals of dance, music and movement (July 5 to 8 and July 25 to 28). Call 795-7088.

## NEW MEXICO ACADEMY OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES SUMMER TO REMEMBER

Idyllic summer program at NMAIS elementary school, splashing down the river, tromping through fields and forest, swimming, playing games, making music, doing crafts, gardening, forging friendships. Weekly themes and activities. Professional staff. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$150 per week. Sibling discounts. Call 988-5810.

## NEW MEXICO ART THERAPY ASSOCIATION/MEOW WOLF

New Mexico Art Therapy Association and Meow Wolf are collaborating this summer to offer a variety of innovative camps for kids, and creative/therapeutic workshops for adolescents and adults. These programs, run by a licensed art therapist or an art therapy student, will offer in-depth art-making and movement opportunities. Group leaders bring a unique combination of creative and therapeutic abilities together to offer value and meaningful experience for each participant. See our ad on page 21 for a complete list of workshops and contact information, or go to [www.newmexicoarttherapy.com](http://www.newmexicoarttherapy.com).

## PANDEMONIUM PRODUCTIONS' MUSICAL THEATRE SUMMER CAMP

Pandemonium Productions offers its musical theater summer camp for ages 6 to 16, June 13 through July 24. Students study acting, singing and dancing and perform in "The Lion King" at the James A. Little Theater. Rehearsals take place at the New Mexico School for the Arts, Monday through Friday,

from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Space is limited; scholarships available. Tuition is \$695 if paid in full; \$710 with a payment plan. \$100 deposit required. For more information or to register, call 920-0704 or visit [www.pandemoniumprod.org](http://www.pandemoniumprod.org).

## PRESCHOOL AND TODDLER ART CLASSES

Art for Toddlers: Young children 22 months to 3 years explore shapes, colors and famous art, 11 to 11:30 a.m., \$20 per class. Mommy & Me Art: Ages 3 to 5 work with their grown-up to compete paintings based on famous artists, \$25 per class. Both classes meet June 7, 11, 14 and 18, and August 9, 12, 16 and 19, at J. F. Mazur Studio, 1807 Second Street #58, Santa



Fe. Preregistration suggested. Call (631) 235-8905 or go to [www.jfmazurstudio.com](http://www.jfmazurstudio.com).

## PRIVATE READING COURSE

Summer is the best time! Don't miss it. Make certain your child is caught up in reading before school begins. Course boosts: reading level, testing skills, comprehension, reading rate and vocabulary. Self-esteem skyrockets, test anxiety decreases. Other subjects improve and homework takes less time. Monday through Friday sessions. Taught by Floy Gregg, Developmental Reading Specialist. See Poor Readers Symptoms List at [www.floygregg.com](http://www.floygregg.com). Call 570-1276 now for your complimentary evaluation.

## RANDALL DAVEY AUDUBON SUMMER ADVENTURE CAMPS

Our 135-acre wildlife sanctuary is the ideal place for children to investigate, learn about and connect with their local environment. Camp includes hands-on, minds-on activities providing opportunities to discover, create and play in nature. Campers from ages 5 to 12 are invited to learn, play and create while spending time outdoors. Camps run from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., with after-care available until 5 p.m. Registration is now open. Call Samantha Funk at 983-4609, or email at [sfunk@audubon.org](mailto:sfunk@audubon.org).

## RIDING LESSONS AT ARROWHEAD RANCH

Riding Horses = FUN! Beginners welcome, kids and adults, ages 6 and up. Lessons on safe, gentle horses in a supportive atmosphere on a beautiful ranch minutes from downtown Santa Fe. Private or small group lessons on grooming, care, arena/trail course riding and games on horseback. Afterschool and weekend classes, and special weeklong summer sessions. Arrowhead Ranch is 2.5 miles west of St. Francis Drive, on W. Alameda. Call Sandy for rates and dates: 424-7592, or email: [sandybenenson@earthlink.net](mailto:sandybenenson@earthlink.net).

## RIO GRANDE SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

Weekly camps for grades K through 6. Full Day, morning and afternoon options available. Morning enrichment programs in video game design, puppet making, improv, toy hacking, creative writing, yoga, Latin dance and more. Afternoon program focuses on adventure-based learning and design challenges. Camp runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with optional early and aftercare. Call Neal Turnquist at 983-1621 or go to [summer@riograndeschool.org](mailto:summer@riograndeschool.org).

## RIO RAPIDS NORTHERN SOCCER CLUB

Rio Rapids Northern is hosting several weeklong, half-day and full-day soccer camps this summer. Enjoy a summer of soccer from international camps for all levels of play, including One Week, One Passion; TetraBrazil Soccer Academy; Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp; and Callaghan's English Soccer Camps. Camps are for children ages 3 and older. June 6 to August 12. For more information about camps and how to register, go to [northernsc.org/summer-camps-2016](http://northernsc.org/summer-camps-2016).

## SANTA FE CLIMBING CENTER CLIMBING ADVENTURE CAMPS & CLASSES

Indoor and outdoor climbing, wilderness survival skills, hikes and other outdoor adventure based activities. Weeklong camps from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$349 per week. Multi-day summer camps for ages 5 to 8 meet May 23 and 31; June 6, 20 and 27; July 4 and 11; August 8, 15 and 22. Camps for ages 9 to 13 meet June 6 and 13; July 11, 18 and 25; August 8, 15 and 22. Summer indoor climbing classes: Tuesdays and Thursdays 1 to 2:30 p.m. Santa Fe Climbing Center, 825 Early Street, Santa Fe. Call 986-8944 or visit [www.climbsantafe.com/camps/](http://www.climbsantafe.com/camps/).

## SANTA FE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SUMMER PROGRAM

Offering programs for toddlers to teens. Intellectual and experiential learning through camps in swimming (ages 3 to 13), outdoor adventures (ages 10 to 15), computer programming (ages 9 to 17), plus cooking, music, art and design (ages 8 to 17). Call 428-1676 or go to [www.sfcc.edu/kids](http://www.sfcc.edu/kids).

## SANTA FE OPERA STORYTELLERS

Become an Opera Storyteller with the Santa Fe Opera. Children entering grades 3 through 8 will create and perform an original opera by activating their voices, bodies and imaginations, and expanding their individual potential through creative exploration and discovery. Participants will focus on writing, composing, costumes, scenery, lighting and performing. June 6 through June 17, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Santa Fe University of Art and Design, 1600 St. Michaels Drive. Call 946-2417; email [bnecal@santafeopera.org](mailto:bnecal@santafeopera.org); or go to [www.santafeopera.org](http://www.santafeopera.org).

## SANTA FE PERFORMING ARTS SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS

Classes meet Mondays through Fridays from June 13 to July 24. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" for 6 to 12 year olds meets 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. "Romeo and Juliet, The Musical" for teens meets 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Performances on weekends of July 15 and 22. Scholarships available. Endorsed by the National Education Association of New Mexico and the recipient of the 2012 Mayor's Award for Excellence in the Arts. Call 982-7992 or email [sabato@sfperformingarts.org](mailto:sabato@sfperformingarts.org) or go to [www.sfperformingarts.org](http://www.sfperformingarts.org) and visit the "Classes" section.

## SANTA FE SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS & SCIENCES SUMMER CAMP 2016

Offering weekly camps for ages 3 to 13, June 6 to August 5. Indoor and outdoor activities, hands-on projects. Camps led by experienced teachers. Weekly themes include Ooey Goey and In the Castle for younger kids. Older kids



# Summer Camp Directory

can explore Minecraft, Coding and Hiking camps. Moving Images, Comic Book and Japan Camp are just a few more. Most camps \$230/week, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Extended care available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration begins March 1. Scholarships available. Call 438-8585 or go to [www.santafeschool.org](http://www.santafeschool.org).

## SANTA FE TENNIS AND SWIM CLUB SUMMER CAMPS

Summer camps are offered Monday through Friday in all-day or half-day sessions. Superstars Camp for ages 6 to 11 offers a variety of activities designed to enhance the development of young minds and bodies. Tennis Camp is for ages 10 and up. These two camps alternate every other week through the summer, at the newly-renovated facility at 1755 Camino Corrales in the Museum Hill neighborhood. We also offer afterschool classes. Call 988-4100 or visit [santafetenniscamps.com](http://santafetenniscamps.com) or [santafetennis.net](http://santafetennis.net).

## SFPS SUMMER ARTS CAMP

Santa Fe Public Schools presents Summer Arts Camp, Tuesday, May 31 through Friday, June 24 from 8 a.m. to noon at El Camino Real Community School, for students age 4 through high school. We will have our normal band, choir, orchestra, guitar and general music, as well as an additional focus of art, as focused or generalized as needed for your student. Space is limited. Registration open now. Tuition starts at \$250 for the entire session. For more information email [jcwilliams@sfps.k12.nm.us](mailto:jcwilliams@sfps.k12.nm.us).

## SFPS SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Santa Fe Public School Summer Enrichment Programs offer a variety of hands-on learning experiences for SFPS students, including Reading is Magic, Music & Arts, Digital Design, Scrub Club, Hands-On Heritage and Native American Summer Enrichment. Some programs begin May 31 and vary from two to five weeks; most programs are free but some have nominal fees. Financial aid may be available if needed.

For further information and to sign up, please visit [www.sfps.info/summerprograms](http://www.sfps.info/summerprograms).

## SFPS SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Summer school increases learning and offers fun, innovative enrichment activities to keep students exploring, discovering and growing. Any SFPS elementary or middle school student in grades 3 through 8 can attend; reading and math will be the focus of instruction. Summer School runs from May 31 to June 24, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Gonzales Community School. Free breakfast and lunch are provided. For further information about SFPS Summer School and to register for class, please visit [www.sfps.info/summerprograms](http://www.sfps.info/summerprograms).

## SKATE SCHOOL SANTA FE

Ramps and Bowls Camps: Young riders will get expert instruction, mornings at public skate parks and afternoons at our indoor park. Ages 8 and up, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 23 to 27, June 6 to 10, June 27 to July 1, July 11 to 15, \$250. Long-Board Camps: Ride the school's boards and learn to turn, stop and slide, on local bike paths and at our indoor park, ages 9 and up; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 30 to June 1, June 22 to 24, July 13 to 15, August 3 to 5, \$180. 825 Early Street #H, Santa Fe. Call 474-0074.

## SHELLABERGER TENNIS AND SPORTS CAMP

Kids will learn tennis and a variety of sports, and most importantly, have fun this summer at Shellabarger, located on the SFUAD campus. Full-day and half-day sessions (morning and afternoon options) every week this summer for kids 8 to 16 years old. Camps are offered Monday through Thursday with an "Olympic Day" option on Friday. Camps are held at Shellabarger's beautiful six indoor court tennis facility and SFUAD's Driscoll Fitness Center. Camps start the week of May 30. For more information, call 473-6144 or go to [www.santafetennis.com](http://www.santafetennis.com).

## TIME TREKKERS CAMP

Take a weeklong trip to action-packed 1766 at Time Trekkers, a camp for children ages 9 to 12, presented by the New Mexico History Museum and Santa Fe Children's Museum. Participants enjoy VIP access to the museums and hands-on learning — making yucca bracelets, baking in an horno, trying on clothing, practicing calligraphy, hand-stitching their own book, playing old-time games and more. June 13 to 17, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$125. Contact René Harris, 476-5087 or [rene.harris@state.nm.us](mailto:rene.harris@state.nm.us); or Melanie LaBorwit, 476-5044 or [melanie.laborwit@state.nm.us](mailto:melanie.laborwit@state.nm.us).

## TRIO MONTESSORI PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

Children learn geography and culture in "Travel Around the World" Summer Camp as we explore a different continent and country each week. Ages 18 months to 6 years. Monday through Friday, June 1 to July 29, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. \$150 per week. Trio Montessori Preschool, 74 Arroyo Seco Circle, Española. Call (505) 747-3962.

## WAREHOUSE 21 CAMPS

Camps at Warehouse 21, a Santa Fe youth arts and entertainment center, include Stop Frame Animation (June 14 to 16, ages 12 to 18), Hip Hop/Breaker (June 14 to 16, ages 8 to 12), Coding (June 11 and 12, ages 8 to 12 and 13 to 18), Girls Rock Camp (June 20 to 23, ages 13 to 17) and Cool Camp (July 5 to 7, ages 8 to 12). Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, in the Santa Fe Railyard. Call 989-4423, email [info@warehouse21.org](mailto:info@warehouse21.org) or go to [www.warehouse21.org](http://www.warehouse21.org).

## 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, at 471-8932.

## DON'T MISS THE BUS!

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# Summer 2016 Calendar – June

Events are free, or included in the price of museum admission, unless otherwise noted.

## JUNE

### 1 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.

#### Wee Wednesdays

Toddler specific activities with story time at 10 a.m. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, 989-8359.

### 1 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.

#### Books & Babies

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

### 1 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M.

#### Preschool Storytime

Stories, rhymes and crafts for ages 2 to 5. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

### 1 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.

#### Chess Club

Drop in and play against other kids and library volunteers, as many games against as many opponents as time allows. Short lecture around 6:05 p.m. Occasional tournaments, including the Santa Fe



Mayor's Cup. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

### 1 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.

#### Society for Creative Anachronism

Learn about the Middle Ages by recreating the arts and sciences of that period in history. Workshops in sewing, drumming,

knot making, fencing and more. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

### 1 WEDNESDAY, 8-10 P.M.

#### Ground Zero Youth Radio

A voice for youth via arts, social justice and issues relevant to the Santa Fe Community. Youth from W21 broadcast live on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Tune in at 101.1 FM, KSFR.

### 2 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M.

#### Books & Babies

Books, songs and finger games for ages 6 months to 2 years. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

### 2 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.

#### Thursdays Are Your Days

Hours extended to 6:30 p.m. with special programming in the Maker Space. Free admission for children under 16. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, 989-8359.

### 2 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.

#### Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens

Workshop with Tyrone Clemons, Ale & Friends. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

### 3 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.

#### Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program

Come to the outdoor classroom for a hands-on program for young children and caregivers. Listen to a book and participate in interactive nature and garden related activities. This program is designed for children ages 3 to 5, but all ages are welcome with an adult. \$5 suggested donation. Santa Fe Botanical Garden, 715 Camino Lejo, 471-9103.

### 3 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.

#### Preschool Storytime

Stories, rhymes and crafts for ages 2 to 5. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

### 3 FRIDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.

#### Cody Landstrom

Cards, coins, conjuring and comedy fun for all. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

### 3 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.

#### All Ages Chess Club

All ages and skill levels welcome. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, 466-7323.

### 3 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.

#### Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls

Workshop with Tyrone Clemons, Ale & Friends. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

### 3 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.

#### Fired Up!

NDI New Mexico at the Dance Barns presents a dynamic showcase of dancers ages 9 through 18 displaying their talent in ballet, jazz, tap and modern dance. Experience the rich tapestry of dance styles by these talented young artists in NDI New Mexico's last event of the year. The Dance Barns, 1140 Alto Street, 795-7088.

### 4 SATURDAY, 7 A.M.-NOON

#### Kids Fishing Derby Day

Bring your own fishing pole or borrow one. Ages 11 and under. Santa Fe River Park, 955-2146

### 4 SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M.-11 P.M.

#### Smash Bros Fiesta Video Game Tournament

Presented by SF Smashteam and Final SmashTV! From ABQ. This tournament will include: Smash 4 singles, Smash 4 doubles and an auction tournament at the end. Register ahead of time for a \$5 venue fee. Registration at door \$8. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

### 4 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON

#### Cody Landstrom

Cards, coins, conjuring and comedy fun for all. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

### 4 SATURDAY, 1-5 P.M.

#### 1st Annual Reuse-Apolooza

Pop-up carnival featuring games and interactive booths created by local artists, makers and vendors. Each booth will be comprised of at least 80 percent reused/reclaimed/recycled materials. Railyard Park, 629-0836.

### 4 SATURDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.

#### Cody Landstrom

Cards, coins, conjuring and comedy fun for all. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

### 4 SATURDAY, 7-9 P.M.

#### Fired Up!

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### 6 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.

#### Multigenerational Mindfulness

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classes will include movement, song and more. \$5 suggested donation. Santa Fe Botanical Garden, 715 Camino Lejo, 471-9103.

## 7 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.

### Books & Babies

Books, songs and finger games for ages 6 months to 2 years to enjoy. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

## 7 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.

### Preschool Storytime

Stories, rhymes and crafts for ages 2 to 5. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

## 7 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.

### Game Day Craft

Ages 6 to 12. Register to make cool crafts. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

## 7 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.

### Game Day Craft

Ages 6 to 12. Register to make cool crafts. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

## 7 TUESDAY, 5-7 P.M.

### Audio Recording and Radio Workshop

James Lutz hosts this weekly workshop. Free if on Ground Zero Radio show, \$10 under 21. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.

### Wee Wednesdays

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

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.

### Books & Babies

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M.

### Preschool Storytime

Southside Library. See June 1 listing.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 11 A.M.-1 P.M.

### Solar Astronomy Project

Special telescopes will be provided to observe solar activity on the sun's surface. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.

### Live Flamenco Guitar

In conjunction with the exhibition "Flamenco: From Spain To New Mexico," performances by well-known flamenco guitarists, a different musician each week. Let live music bring to life the artwork and costumes on display. Museum of International Folk Art, Museum Hill, 476-1200.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.

### Summer Reading Club

Get Set...Read! Children in grades K through 4 can enjoy books, crafts and activities to stimulate their curiosity and love of reading. Students of all ages can participate in the Reading Contest for prizes. Free; Registration is required. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, 466-7323.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 3-4:30 P.M.

### Game Day Craft

Ages 6 to 12. Register to make cool crafts. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.



## 8 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.

### Chess Club

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.

### Society for Creative Anachronism

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

## 8 WEDNESDAY, 6:30-8 P.M.

### Summer Family Evening: The Final Frontier

Observe the moon and nearby planets via telescopes and speak with local astronomers. Evening also includes exploring our galaxy from the comfort of the planetarium. Free for members; \$5 per family for nonmembers. Pajarito Environmental Education Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, 662-0460.

## 9 THURSDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON

### Solar Astronomy Project

Telescopes provided to observe solar activity on the sun's surface. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

## 9 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M.

### Books & Babies

Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

## 9 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.

### Thursdays Are Your Days

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

## 9 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.

### Beginners Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls

Workshop with Tyrone Clemons, Ale & Friends. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

## 9 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.

### Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

## 10 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.

### Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

## 10 FRIDAY TO 12 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-10 P.M.

### Currents, W21 & NMSA Showcase

New Mexico School for the Arts Visual Arts Department, in collaboration with W21 and in conjunction with Currents New Media Festival, is mounting an exhibition to showcase work made by NMSA Media Arts students, who will be exhibiting such works as interactive new media installations, art games and generative art. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

## 10 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-NOON

### Solar Astronomy Project

Use special telescopes to observe solar activity on the sun's surface. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

## 10 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.

### Preschool Storytime

Main Library. See June 3 listing.

## 10 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

### Story Time

A special time for younger children to experience the joys of books and the library. Bring your infants, toddlers and preschoolers for stories, activities and crafts. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, 466-7323.

## 10 FRIDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.

### Indigenous Musical Instruments of the American Southwest

Learn about and play cool instruments of the indigenous people of the American Southwest. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

## 10 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.

### All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

## 10 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.

### Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

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### Santa Fe School for the Arts & Sciences

**Fun and Affordable!** Summer enrichment camps led by experienced teachers for kids ages 3 to early high school. Everything from In the Castle for our youngest campers to Moving Images for teens - there is something for everyone! Our **8-week program** runs from June 6 through August 5 (no camp the week of July 4th). **Camp times:** 9am - 3pm, Monday through Friday. Extended care available from 8am, until 5pm. **Camp cost:** \$230/week, unless otherwise noted. No additional fees for materials. CYFD funds accepted. Scholarships available. To see the summer schedule along with detailed descriptions, and to register for camps, see our website: [www.santafeschool.org](http://www.santafeschool.org) or call **505-438-8585**.



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**10 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

## Family Movie Night

Free showing of a family film on the library's big screen. Popcorn and juice included. Call for title and rating. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, 466-7323.

**11 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

## Wetland Wanderings

Explore the wetland preserve from the bottom of the pond to the tops of the trees, from the hawks to the earthworms. All ages are welcome, but activities are designed for 3- to 12-year-old children and their caregivers. \$5 suggested donation. Santa Fe Botanical Garden at Leonora Curtin Wetland Preserves, 27283 I-25 West Frontage Road, La Cienega, 471-9103.

**11 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON**

## Indigenous Musical Instruments of the American Southwest

Learn about and play cool instruments of the indigenous people of the American Southwest. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

**11 SATURDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

## Indigenous Musical Instruments of the American Southwest

Learn about and play cool instruments of the indigenous people of the American Southwest. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.



**13 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

## Multigenerational Mindfulness

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

**14 TUESDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

## Family Mornings in the Garden

Fun hands-on activities for families

facilitated by middle school interns. Come play in the garden, do art and learn about plants, animals and northern New Mexico. Santa Fe Botanical Garden, 715 Camino Lejo, 471-9103.

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

## Books & Babies

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

**14 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M.**

## Preschool Storytime

La Farge Library. See June 7 listing.

**14 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

## Audio Recording and Radio Workshop

Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

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

## Wee Wednesdays

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

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

## Books & Babies

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M.**

## Preschool Storytime

Southside Library. See June 1 listing.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

## Live Flamenco Guitar

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.**

## Summer Reading Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 8 listing.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

## Chess Club

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

## Music on the Hill: Hillary Smith and Soul Kitchen

Enjoy the summer weather and great music

at this popular outdoor family event. St. John's College, 1160 Camino Cruz Blanca, 984-6199.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

## Society for Creative Anachronism

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 6:30-8 P.M.**

## Summer Family Evening: Rattlesnake Museum

Bob Myers, founder of the American International Rattlesnake Museum in Albuquerque, will be at the Los Alamos Nature Center to answer health and safety questions about snake bites, teach snake identification and share reptile stories. He'll also have live snakes on hand to demonstrate proper handling and let you see these amazing creatures up close. \$5 per family for nonmembers. Pajarito Environmental Education Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, 662-0460.

**15 WEDNESDAY, 8-10 P.M.**

## Ground Zero Youth Radio

101.1 FM, KSFR. See June 1 listing.

**16 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M.**

## Books & Babies

Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

**16 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.**

## Thursdays Are Your Days

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

**16 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

## Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**17 FRIDAY, 8 A.M.-NOON**

## Benefit Golf Tournament

All proceeds go to supporting Trio Montessori Preschool. \$100 per player. Open to teens and adults. Black Mesa Golf Club, 115 SR 399, Espanola, 614-6739.

**17 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

## Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

**17 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.**

## Preschool Storytime

Main Library. See June 3 listing.

**17 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

## Story Time

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**17 FRIDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

## Peace Pets

Exotic animal rescue will introduce participants to wildlife both local and beyond. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**17 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

## All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**17 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

## Intermediate Break Dancing for Boys & Girls

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

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**18 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Wetland Wanderings**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

**18 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

**Herb & Lavender Festival**

Lavender and herb product vendors along with lectures and hands-on activities on all things lavender. Free for children under 12. El Rancho de las Golondrinas, 334 Los Pinos Road, 471-2261

**18 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON**

**Peace Pets**

Exotic animal rescue will introduce participants to wildlife both local and beyond. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

**18 SATURDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Peace Pets**

Exotic animal rescue will introduce participants to wildlife both local and beyond. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

**19 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

**Herb & Lavender Festival**

Lavender and herb product vendors along with lectures and hands-on activities on all things lavender. Free for children under 12. El Rancho de las Golondrinas, 334 Los Pinos Road, 471-2261

**19 SUNDAY, 1-4 P.M.**

**Fathers Day Celebration**

Free admission for all fathers, grandfathers and great-grandfathers. Father-centric activities and fun. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, 989-8359.

**20 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

**21 TUESDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Family Mornings in the Garden**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 14 listing.

**21 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.**

**Books & Babies**

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

**21 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**

La Farge Library. See June 7 listing.

**21 TUESDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Nature Craft**

Make cool crafts from nature. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**21 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**Audio Recording and Radio Workshop**

Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

**21 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Nature Craft**

Make cool crafts from nature. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.**

**Wee Wednesdays**

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



**22 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.**

**Books & Babies**

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**

Southside Library. See June 1 listing.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.**

**Summer Reading Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 8 listing.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Nature Craft**

Make cool crafts from nature. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Music on the Hill: Stephanie Hatfield**

Enjoy the summer weather and great music at this popular outdoor family event. St. John's College, 1160 Camino Cruz Blanca, 984-6199.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**22 WEDNESDAY, 6:30-8 P.M.**

**Summer Family Evening: Wild Spirit Wolf Sanctuary**

Meet wolves from the Wild Spirit Wolf Sanctuary. The Sanctuary's Ambassador Wolf will be on hand and the Sanctuary's staff will talk about wolves: their diet, hunting strategies, family life, physical adaptations, pack structure and more. \$5 per family for nonmembers. Pajarito Environmental Education Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, 662-0460.

**23 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

**24 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

**24 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**

Main Library. See June 3 listing.

**24 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**24 FRIDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Flying Debris**

Juggling demonstration and general clowning around. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**24 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**24 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Intermediate Break Dancing for Boys & Girls**

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

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**24 FRIDAY, 7-7:45 P.M.**

**Fourth Friday Fractals**

This spectacular, award-winning full-dome planetarium show takes viewers on a tour of the fractals in nature and zooms through infinitely complex mathematical fractals. Featuring original music, the show is both educational and highly entertaining, and suitable for audiences ages 4 and up. Reservations encouraged. \$8 per child. \$10 per adult. Pajarito Environmental Education Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, 662-0460.

**25 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Wetland Wanderings**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

**25 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-1 P.M.**

**Creativity in Motion – Create, Imagine, Explore**

This workshop presented by the New Mexico Art Therapy Association explores various art media, while participants interact with a therapist in a safe, holistic environment. Stations will include: painting exploration, marble maze, tie-dye, paper-making and mixed media. Ages 7 to 11. Please bring white t-shirt for tie-dyeing. \$30 per person. Meow Wolf, 1352 Rufina Circle, (205) 612-4212.

**25 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON**

**Flying Debris**

See some incredible juggling and amazing tricks. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.



**25 SATURDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Flying Debris**

See some incredible juggling and amazing tricks. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

**27 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

**28 TUESDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Family Mornings in the Garden**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 14 listing.



**28 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.**

**Books & Babies**

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

**28 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**

La Farge Library. See June 7 listing.

**28 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**Audio Recording and Radio Workshop**

Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

**29 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.**

**Wee Wednesdays**

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

**29 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.**

**Books & Babies**

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**29 WEDNESDAY, 10:45-11:30 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**

Southside Library. See June 1 listing.

**29 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**29 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.**

**Summer Reading Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 8 listing.

**29 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**29 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Music on the Hill: Jenny Bird & Big Sky**

Enjoy the summer weather and great music at this popular outdoor family event. St. John's College, 1160 Camino Cruz Blanca, 984-6199.

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# Summer 2016 Calendar – June/July

**29 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**  
**Society for Creative Anachronism**  
 Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**29 WEDNESDAY, 6:30-8 P.M.**  
**Summer Family Evening: Goats**  
 Learn what it's like to live on a modern, small-scale goat farm in New Mexico. Debbie Wood of Second Bloom Farm and Jessie Ross of Gypsy Mountain Ranch will discuss how they care for their goats and what the goats need to live happily on the Pajarito Plateau. They'll also talk about how they use goats' milk to make cheese, lotion, soap and more. There will be a variety of goats on hand. \$5 per family for nonmembers. Pajarito Environmental Education Center, 2600 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, 662-0460.

**30 THURSDAY, 10:45-11:15 A.M.**  
**Books & Babies**  
 Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

**30 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.**  
**Thursdays Are Your Days**  
 Santa Fe Children's Museum. See June 2 listing.

**30 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**  
**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**  
 Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.



## JULY

**1 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**  
**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**  
 Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

**1 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.**  
**Preschool Storytime**  
 Main Library. See June 3 listing.

**1 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**  
**Story Time**  
 Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**1 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**  
**All Ages Chess Club**  
 Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**1 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**  
**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**  
 Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**2 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**  
**Wetland Wanderings**  
 Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

**4 MONDAY, 7 A.M.-NOON**  
**Pancakes on the Plaza**  
 When locals think Fourth of July in Santa Fe, Pancakes on the Plaza comes to mind first. Come be part of the tradition! Children's activities, silent auction, car show and arts and crafts show, on and around the Plaza. Santa Fe Plaza. 470-0534.

**4 MONDAY, 8-10 A.M.**  
**July 4th Pancake Breakfast in Eldorado**  
 Eldorado's "mini" version of the Fourth of July Pancake Breakfast on the Santa Fe Plaza features smaller crowds and will end in time for participants to enjoy the colorful parade, hot dogs, ice cream and entertainment organized by the Eldorado Community Residents Association.

**4 MONDAY, 8-10 A.M.**  
**Eldorado Community 4th of July Parade**  
 Patrons of all ages are welcome to walk with Vista Grande Public Library and celebrate summer reading. Call for details on where to meet.

**5 TUESDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**  
**Family Mornings in the Garden**  
 Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 14 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

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

**Preschool Storytime**

La Farge Library. See June 7 listing.

**5 TUESDAY, 1-4 P.M.**

**International Folk Arts Week**

Demonstrations by local and international artists in conjunction with the exhibition "Under Pressure," in the museum's Gallery of Conscience. Related hands-on projects for visitors aged 3 to 103. Museum of International Folk Art, Museum Hill, 476-1200.

**5 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**Audio Recording and Radio Workshop**

Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

**5 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Mask Craft**

Create fun, spooky, silly masks. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**5 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Mask Craft**

Create fun, spooky, silly masks. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

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

**Wee Wednesdays**

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

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

**Books & Babies**

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

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

**Preschool Storytime**

Southside Library. See June 1 listing.

**6 WEDNESDAY, 1-4 P.M.**

**International Folk Arts Week**

Demonstrations by Dayak (Malaysian) artists in conjunction with the exhibition, "Sacred Realm: Blessings and Good Fortune Across Asia." Engage with the artists and their traditional instruments, weaving, and baskets. Related hands-on projects for visitors aged 3 to 103. Museum of International Folk Art, Museum Hill, 476-1200.

**6 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**6 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.**

**Summer Reading Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 8 listing.

**6 WEDNESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Mask Craft**

Create fun, spooky, silly masks. Ages 6 to

12. Registration required. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

**6 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**6 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**6 WEDNESDAY, 8-10 P.M.**

**Ground Zero Youth Radio**

101.1 FM, KSFR. See June 1 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**

Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

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

**Thursdays Are Your Days**

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

**7 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**8 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

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

**Visiting Artist and Community Artmaking**

Artist Justin Favela brings his distinctive style to the museum for a three-day residency, working with the local community to create a giant paper lowrider that will be added to the exhibition "Con Cariño: Artists Inspired by Lowriders" when it is completed. No experience necessary, all ages welcome. New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 Palace Avenue, 476-5041.

**8 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**

Main Library. See June 3 listing.

**8 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**8 FRIDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Rocky Mountain Puppets**

A fun and lively puppet show for all ages. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**8 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

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

**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**8 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

**Family Movie Night**

Free showing of a family film on the library's big screen. Popcorn and juice included. Call for title and rating. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, 466-7323.

**8 FRIDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – "Don Giovanni"**

Select performance evenings at the Santa Fe Opera featuring special pricing for families. \$25 per adult. \$12 per child 6 years and older. Family Night tickets have limited availability and must include at least one youth under the age of 22. The Santa Fe Opera, 301 Opera Drive, 986-5900.

**9 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Wetland Wanderings**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

**9 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

**Visiting Artist and Community Artmaking**

New Mexico Museum of Art. See July 8 listing.

**9 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-10 P.M.**

**Warehouse 21 turns 20**

All-day celebration in honor of W21's 20th Anniversary. Warehouse 21, 1614 Paseo de Peralta, 989-4423.

**9 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON**

**Rocky Mountain Puppets**

A fun and lively puppet show for all ages. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

**9 SATURDAY, NOON-1 P.M.**

**Musical workshop with Mamadou Kelly**

Come experience this incredible visiting musical group from Mali. They'll perform in a stripped down setting that will highlight their traditional instruments, including the calabash and djourkel. Learn a little more about how these instruments sound and are played as well as some background on the songs. Ask questions and interact with the group. Museum of International Folk Art, Museum Hill, 476-1200.

**9 SATURDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Rocky Mountain Puppets**

A fun and lively puppet show for all ages. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

**9 SATURDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – "The Girl of the Golden West"**

Select performance evenings at the Santa Fe Opera featuring special pricing for families. \$25 per adult. \$12 per child 6 years and older. Family Night tickets have limited availability and must include at least one youth under the age of 22. The Santa Fe Opera, 301 Opera Drive, 986-5900.

**10 SUNDAY, 9:15-11 A.M.**

**Family and Folk Drop In Choir**

All Ages. Rehearse at 9:15, sing for 10 service. The United Church of Santa Fe, 1804 Arroyo Chamiso (corner of St. Michael's Drive). 988-3295.

**10 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

**Visiting Artist and Community Artmaking**

New Mexico Museum of Art. See July 8 listing.

**10 SUNDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON**

**Workshop with Lucho the Clown**

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# Summer 2016 Calendar – July

to embrace the idiot within. Come ready to play. Museum of International Folk Art, Museum Hill, 476-1200.

## 10 SUNDAY, 1-4 P.M.

### Community Fun Day

Enjoy free family activities in a festive, creative atmosphere with hands-on art-making and lively 30-minute family tours. Explore the exhibitions "Con Cariño: Artists Inspired by Lowriders" and "Finding a Contemporary Voice: the Legacy of Lloyd Kiva New and IAlA," and stage your own self-portrait in a dress-up photo booth in the exhibition "Self-Regard: Artist Self-Portraits from the Collection." Make art with Justin Favela, a young Chicano artist inspired by lowriders. New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 Palace Avenue, 476-5041.

## 10 SUNDAY, 1-4 P.M.

### Family Day

Enjoy free family activities in a festive, creative atmosphere with hands-on art-making and lively 30-minute family tours. New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 Palace Avenue, 476-5041.

## 11 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.

### Multigenerational Mindfulness

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

## 12 TUESDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.

### Family Mornings in the Garden

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 14 listing.

## 12 TUESDAY, 10:30-11:15 A.M.

### Preschool Storytime

La Farge Library. See June 7 listing.

## 12 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.

### Audio Recording and Radio Workshop

Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

## 13 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.

### Wee Wednesdays

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

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### Live Flamenco Guitar

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

## 13 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.

### Summer Reading Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 8 listing.

## 13 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.

### Chess Club

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

## 13 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.

### Music on the Hill: The Tracey Whitney Quintet

Enjoy the summer weather and great music at this popular outdoor family event. St. John's College, 1160 Camino Cruz Blanca, 984-6199.

## 13 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.

### Society for Creative Anachronism

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.



## 14 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.

### Thursdays Are Your Days

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

## 14 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.

### Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

## 15 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.

### Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

## 15 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.

### Preschool Storytime

Main Library. See June 3 listing.

## 15 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

### Story Time

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

## 15 FRIDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.

### Salida Circus

Scarlet Sisters off to the races. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

## 15 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.

### All Ages Chess Club

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

## 15 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.

### Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

## 15 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.

### Romeo and Juliet

Santa Fe Performing Arts' Teen Company presents this Shakespeare classic. \$8. The Armory for the Arts Theater, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, 984-1370.

## 15 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.

### The Lion King

Hakuna Matata! Santa Fe's Youth Theatre, Pandemonium Productions, presents Disney's The Lion King. James A. Little Theater, School for the Deaf, 1060 Cerrillos Road, 982-3327.

## 16 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.

### Wetland Wanderings

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

## 16 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-1 P.M.

### Creativity in Motion - Create, Imagine, Explore

Meow Wolf. See June 25 listing.

## 16 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.

### Viva México Festival

Enjoy music, arts, and more at this celebration of the culture, cuisine and crafts of our colorful neighbor. Entertainment and artisans rarely experienced outside of Mexico. Free for children under 12. El Rancho De las Golondrinas, 334 Los Pinos Road, 471-2261

## 16 SATURDAY, 11 A.M.-NOON

### Salida Circus

Scarlet Sisters off to the races. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

## 16 SATURDAY, 2-4 P.M.

### A Midsummer Night's Dream

Santa Fe Performing Arts' City Different Players (ages 7 to 12) present this Shakespeare classic. \$8. The Armory for the Arts Theater, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, 984-1370.

## 16 SATURDAY, 2-4 P.M.

### The Lion King

James A. Little Theater. See July 15 listing.

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# Summer 2016 Calendar – July

**16 SATURDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Salida Circus**

Scarlet Sisters off to the races. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

**16 SATURDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – “Romeo and Juliette”**

Select performance evenings at the Santa Fe Opera featuring special pricing for families. \$25 per adult, \$12 per child 6 years and older. Family Night tickets have limited availability and must include at least one youth under the age of 22. The Santa Fe Opera, 301 Opera Drive, 986-5900.

**16 SATURDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

**Romeo and Juliet**

The Armory for the Arts. See July 15 listing.

**17 SUNDAY, 9:15-11 A.M.**

**Family and Folk Drop In Choir**

The United Church of Santa Fe. See July 10 listing.

**17 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

**Viva México Festival**

El Rancho de las Golondrinas. See July 16 listing.

**17 SUNDAY, 2-4 P.M.**

**A Midsummer Night’s Dream**

The Armory for the Arts. See July 16 listing.

**17 SUNDAY, 2-4 P.M.**

**The Lion King**

James A. Little Theater. See July 16 listing.

**17 SUNDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

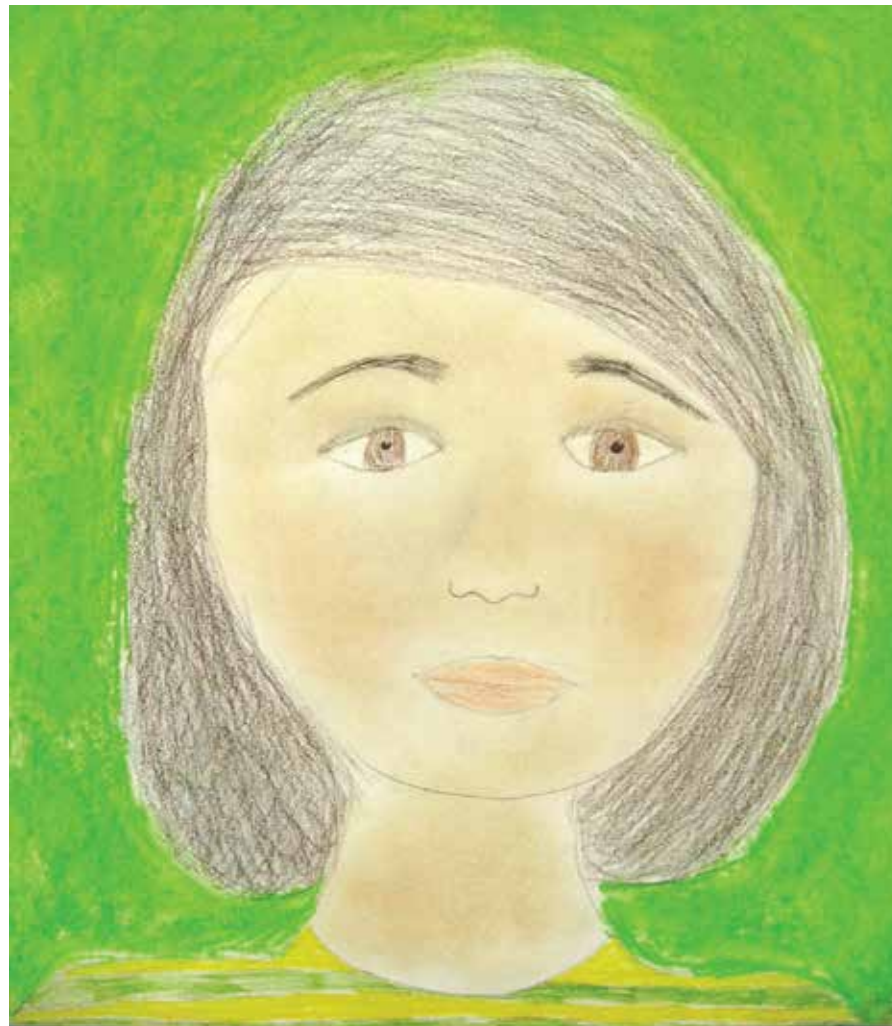
**Romeo and Juliet**

The Armory for the Arts. See July 15 listing.

**18 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.



**18 MONDAY, 10 A.M.-11 A.M.**

**Youth Concerts at Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival**

Performances featuring renowned artists and the best music has to offer. Kids are engaged, build their musical knowledge, and have fun. New Mexico Museum of Art, 107 W. Palace Avenue, 983-2075.

**19 TUESDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Family Mornings in the Garden**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 14 listing.

**19 TUESDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M.**

**Arts Alive! Balinese Mask Making Workshop**

Watch a master Balinese artist demonstrate his traditional mask-making technique, and be inspired to create your own in the outdoor classroom on Milner Plaza. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Museum of International Folk Art, Museum Hill, 476-1200.

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

**Preschool Storytime**

La Farge Library. See June 7 listing.

**19 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**Audio Recording and Radio Workshop**

Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

**19 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Kite Craft**

Make and fly a kite. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**19 TUESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Kite Craft**

Make and fly a kite. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

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

**Wee Wednesdays**

Santa Fe Children’s Museum. See June 1 listing.

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

**Preschool Storytime**

Southside Library. See June 1 listing.

**20 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**20 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.**

**Summer Reading Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 8 listing.

**20 WEDNESDAY, 3:30-4:30 P.M.**

**Kite Craft**

Make and fly a kite. Ages 6 to 12. Registration required. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

**20 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**20 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Music on the Hill: Pedro Martinez Group**

Enjoy the summer weather and great music at this popular outdoor family event. St. John’s College, 1160 Camino Cruz Blanca, 984-6199.

**20 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**20 WEDNESDAY, 8-10 P.M.**

**Ground Zero Youth Radio**

101.1 FM, KSFR. See June 1 listing.

**21 THURSDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Andy Mason**

Songs with Andy Mason at the Summer Reading Program Party. Main Library, 145 Washington Avenue, 955-6783.

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

**Thursdays Are Your Days**

Santa Fe Children’s Museum. See June 2 listing.

**21 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M.**

**Arts Alive! Balinese Mask Making Workshop**

Museum of International Folk Art. See July 19 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 10:45 A.M.-11:45 A.M.**

**Andy Mason**

Songs with Andy Mason at the Summer Reading Program Party. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

**HALF DAY**  
6:30am - 12:00pm  
Basketball, Volleyball, Golf, Baseball/Softball, Soccer  
Includes sports bag & presentation for parents.

**DAY CAMPS**  
7:30am - 5:30pm  
Swimming, Ice-Skating, Court Sports, Social Games, Visual Art Lessons and Special Field Trips.

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7:30am - 5:30pm  
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# Summer 2016 Calendar – July

**22 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**  
Main Library. See June 3 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**  
Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Andy Mason**  
Songs with Andy Mason at the Summer Reading Program Party. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**22 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**  
Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**  
Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

**The Lion King**  
James A. Little Theater. See July 15 listing.

**22 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

**Romeo and Juliet**  
The Armory for the Arts. See July 15 listing.

**23 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Wetland Wanderings**  
Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

**23 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-1 P.M.**

**Creativity in Motion: Exploring Self with Color**

New Mexico Art Therapy Association workshop for adolescents and adults exploring symbols and qualities that best represent "you." Please bring two objects, preferably small, that best represent you, i.e. a rock, seashell or superhero figure. \$30 per person. Meow Wolf, 1352 Rufina Circle, (205) 612-4212.

**23 SATURDAY, 10:30-11:30 A.M.**

**Andy Mason**  
Songs with Andy Mason at the Summer Reading Program Party. Oliver La Farge Branch Library, 1730 Llano Street, 955-4863.

**23 SATURDAY, 2-4 P.M.**

**A Midsummer Night's Dream**  
The Armory for the Arts. See July 16 listing.

**23 SATURDAY, 2-4 P.M.**

**The Lion King**  
James A. Little Theater. See July 16 listing.

**23 SATURDAY, 2:30-3:30 P.M.**

**Andy Mason**  
Songs with Andy Mason at the Summer Reading Program Party. Southside Library, 6599 Jaguar Drive, 955-4863.

**23 SATURDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – "Capriccio"**  
Select performance evenings at the Santa Fe Opera featuring special pricing for families. \$25 per adult. \$12 per child 6 years and older. Family Night tickets have limited availability and must include at least one youth under the age of 22. The Santa Fe Opera, 301 Opera Drive, 986-5900.



**23 SATURDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

**Romeo and Juliet**  
The Armory for the Arts. See July 15 listing.

**24 SUNDAY, 2-4 P.M.**

**A Midsummer Night's Dream**  
The Armory for the Arts. See July 16 listing.

**24 SUNDAY, 2-4 P.M.**

**The Lion King**  
James A. Little Theater. See July 16 listing.

**24 SUNDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

**Romeo and Juliet**  
The Armory for the Arts. See July 15 listing.

**25 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**  
Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

**25 MONDAY, 10-11 A.M.**

**Youth Concerts at Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival**  
New Mexico Museum of Art. See July 18 listing.

**26 TUESDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Family Mornings in the Garden**  
Botanical Gardens. See June 14 listing.

**26 TUESDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M.**

**Arts Alive! Flamenco Dance & Percussion Workshop**  
Learn traditional flamenco dance steps and percussion rhythms through ongoing workshops by local performers, in the outdoor classroom on

Milner Plaza. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Museum of International Folk Art, 706 Camino Lejo, 476-1200.

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

**Preschool Storytime**  
La Farge Library. See June 7 listing.

**26 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**Audio Recording and Radio Workshop**  
Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

**27 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.**

**Wee Wednesdays**  
Santa Fe Children's Museum. See June 1 listing.

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

**Preschool Storytime**  
Southside Library. See June 1 listing.

**27 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**  
Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**27 WEDNESDAY, 1-2:30 P.M.**

**Summer Reading Club**  
Vista Grande Public Library. See June 8 listing.

**27 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**  
Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**27 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Music on the Hill: Bert Dalton Brazil Project**  
Enjoy the summer weather and great music at this popular outdoor family event. St. John's College, 1160 Camino Cruz Blanca, 984-6199.

**27 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**  
Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**28 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.**

**Thursdays Are Your Days**  
Santa Fe Children's Museum. See June 2 listing.

**28 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**  
Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**Kids Fishing Derby Day**  
Saturday June 4  
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# Summer 2016 Calendar – July/August

**29 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

**29 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M.**

**Arts Alive! Flamenco Dance & Drumming Workshop**

Museum of International Folk Art. See July 26 listing.

**29 FRIDAY, 11-11:45 A.M.**

**Preschool Storytime**

Main Library. See June 3 listing.

**29 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**29 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**29 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**29 FRIDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – “Romeo and Juliette”**

The Santa Fe Opera. See July 16 listing.

**30 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Wetland Wanderings**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

## AUGUST

**1 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

**1 MONDAY, 10-11 A.M.**

**Youth Concerts at Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival**

New Mexico Museum of Art. See July 18 listing.



**2 TUESDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M.**

**Arts Alive! Circus Workshops**

Make your own juggling balls and learn how to use them! Get your face painted like a clown and learn clowning techniques! Engage in other circus-related activities and projects, in the outdoor classroom on Milner Plaza. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Museum of International Folk Art, 706 Camino Lejo, 476-1200.

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

**Books & Babies**

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

**2 TUESDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**Audio Recording and Radio Workshop**

Warehouse 21. See June 7 listing.

**3 WEDNESDAY – 6 SATURDAY**

**Santa Fe County Fair**

Small and large animal shows, agricultural exhibits, small pet show, barnyard Olympics, livestock auctions, rides, food and more. For this year's schedule, go to: [www.santafecountynm.gov/community\\_services/fair](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/community_services/fair). Santa Fe County Fairgrounds, 3229 Rodeo Road, 471-4711.

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

**Wee Wednesdays**

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

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

**Books & Babies**

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**3 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**3 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**3 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**3 WEDNESDAY, 8-10 P.M.**

**Ground Zero Youth Radio**

101.1 FM, KSFR. See June 1 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**

Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

**4 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.**

**Thursdays Are Your Days**

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

**4 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**5 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

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# Summer 2016 Calendar – August

**5 FRIDAY, 10 A.M.-2 P.M.**

**Arts Alive! Circus Workshops**  
Museum of International Folk Art. See August 2 listing.

**5 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**  
Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**5 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**  
Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**5 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**  
Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**6 SATURDAY, 9:30-11 A.M.**

**Wetland Wanderings**  
Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 11 listing.

**6 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

**Benefit Art Show and Raffle**  
Raffle of an original oil painting by Santa Fe artist Donelli DiMaria, to benefit senior animals and their end of life care. Kindred Spirits Animal Sanctuary, 3749-A Highway 14, 471-5366.

**6 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-8 P.M.**

**Stellar Summer Weekend**  
Special "stellar" activities during day and into Saturday evening. Santa Fe Children's Museum, 1050 Old Pecos Trail, 989-8359.

**6 SATURDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

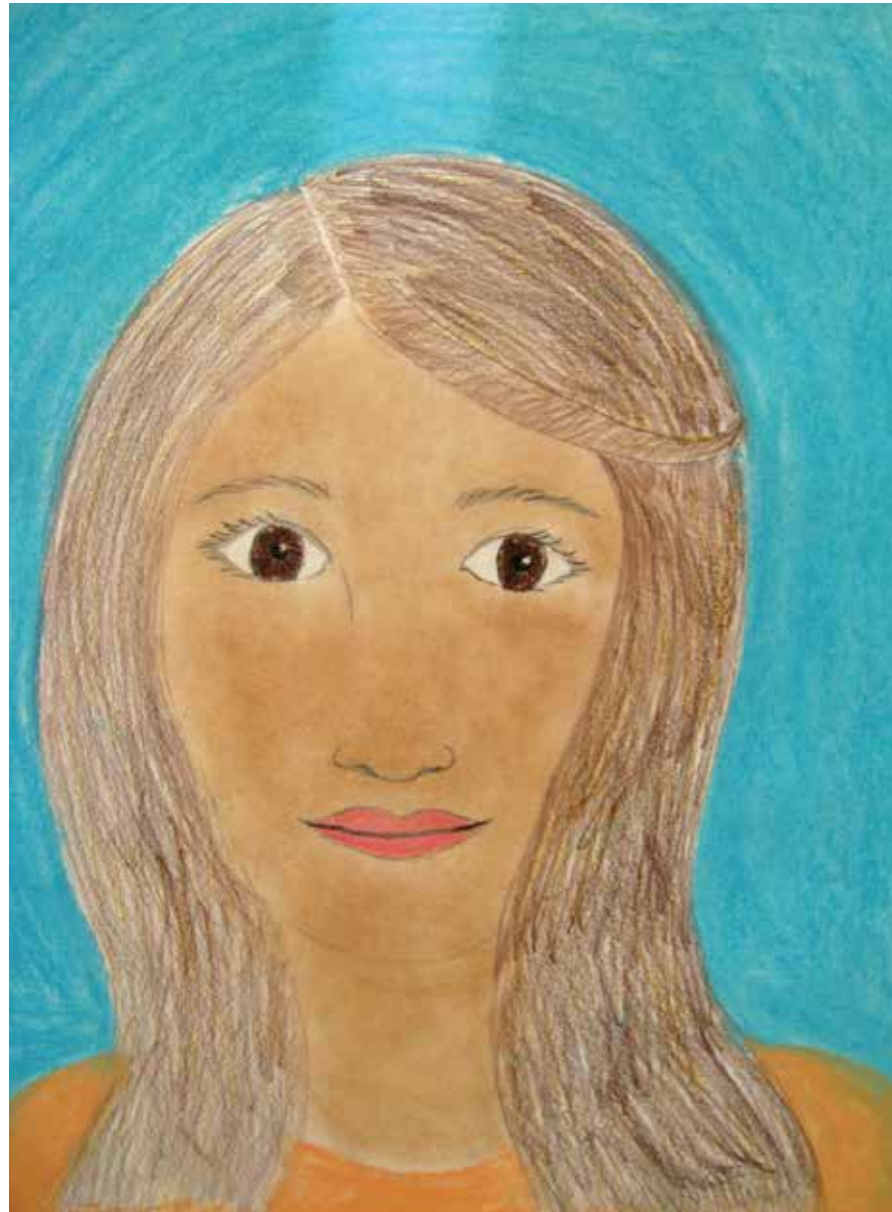
**Summer Festival & Wild West Adventures**  
Explore life on the frontier. Meet the lawmen, desperadoes and mountain men who put the "Wild" in Wild West. Free to children 12 and under. El Rancho de las Golondrinas, 334 Los Pinos Road, 471-2261

**6 SATURDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – "Don Giovanni"**  
The Santa Fe Opera. See July 8 listing.

**7 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.**

**Summer Festival & Wild West Adventures**  
Explore life on the frontier. Meet the lawmen, desperadoes and mountain men who put the "Wild" in Wild West. El Rancho de las Golondrinas, 334 Los Pinos Road, 471-2261



**10 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.**

**Wee Wednesdays**  
Santa Fe Children's Museum. See June 1 listing.

**10 WEDNESDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M.**

**Sand Mandala Construction**  
Watch Tibetan monks create a large mandala made entirely of sand. Try your hand at the technique in a community sand-painting project, ongoing throughout the week in the museum's Atrium. The monks' five-day residency will also include a puja (ceremony) and presentation on the symbolism of mandalas. Call for specific dates/times for these programs. Museum of International Folk Art, 706 Camino Lejo, 476-1200.

**10 WEDNESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.**

**Books & Babies**  
La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**10 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**  
Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**10 WEDNESDAY, 5:45 P.M. - 7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**  
Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**10 WEDNESDAY, 6 P.M. - 8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**  
Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**  
Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

**11 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.**

**Thursdays Are Your Days**  
Santa Fe Children's Museum. See June 2 listing.

**11 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**  
Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**8 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**  
Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

**8 MONDAY, 10-11 A.M.**

**Youth Concerts at Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival**  
New Mexico Museum of Art. See July 18 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**  
Main Library. See June 7 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**  
Main Library. See June 7 listing.

**12 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**  
Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

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Ages 9-13: June 6-10, 13-17, July 11-15, 18-22, 25-29  
Ages 5-13: June 27-July 1, August 8-12, 15-19, 22-26  
Ages 12-16: August 1-5  
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# Summer 2016 Calendar – August

**12 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**12 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**12 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**12 FRIDAY, 7-9 P.M.**

**Family Movie Night**

Free showing of a family film on the library's big screen. Popcorn and juice included. Call for title and rating. Vista Grande Public Library, 14 Avenida Torreon, Eldorado, 466-7323.

**14 SUNDAY, 10 A.M.-5 P.M.**

**Sand Mandala Construction**

Museum of International Folk Art. See August 10 listing.

**15 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

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

**Wee Wednesdays**

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

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

**Books & Babies**

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**17 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**17 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**17 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**17 WEDNESDAY, 8-10 P.M.**

**Ground Zero Youth Radio**

101.1 FM, KSFR. See June 1 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**

Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

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

**Thursdays Are Your Days**

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

**18 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**19 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

**19 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**19 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**19 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**19 FRIDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – "Capriccio"**

The Santa Fe Opera. See July 23 listing.

**21 SUNDAY, 9:15-11 A.M.**

**Family and Folk Drop In Choir**

The United Church of Santa Fe. See July 10 listing.

**22 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

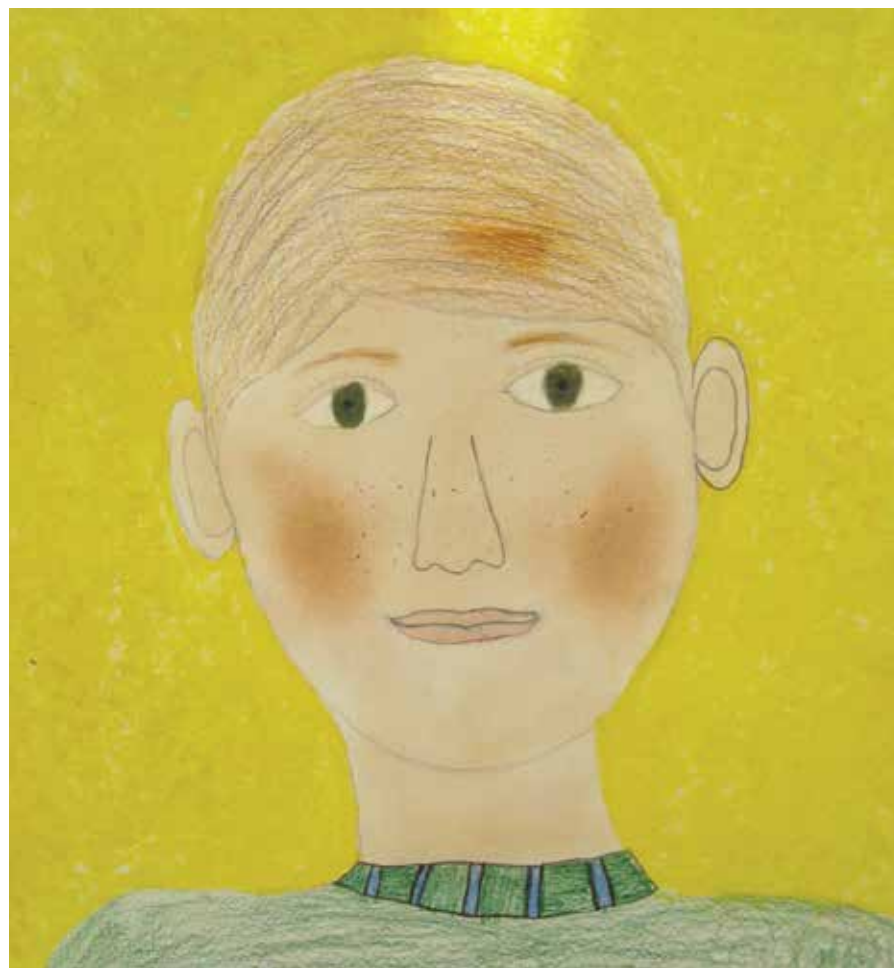
**Multigenerational Mindfulness**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

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

**Books & Babies**

Main Library. See June 7 listing.



**24 WEDNESDAY, 9-11 A.M.**

**Wee Wednesdays**

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

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

**Books & Babies**

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**24 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**

**Live Flamenco Guitar**

Museum of International Folk Art. See June 8 listing.

**24 WEDNESDAY, 5:45-7:45 P.M.**

**Chess Club**

Main Library. See June 1 listing.

**24 WEDNESDAY, 6-8 P.M.**

**Society for Creative Anachronism**

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

**24 WEDNESDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – "Vanessa"**

Select performance evenings at the Santa Fe Opera featuring special pricing for families. \$25 per adult. \$12 per child 6 years and older. Family Night tickets have limited availability and must include at least one youth under the age of 22. The Santa Fe Opera, 301 Opera Drive, 986-5900.

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

**Books & Babies**

Southside Library. See June 2 listing.

**25 THURSDAY, 4-6:30 P.M.**

**Thursdays Are Your Days**

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

**25 THURSDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Beginners Break Dancing for Children and Teens**

Warehouse 21. See June 2 listing.

**26 FRIDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Garden Sprouts Early Learning Program**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 3 listing.

**26 FRIDAY, 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

**Story Time**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 10 listing.

**26 FRIDAY, 3-5 P.M.**

**All Ages Chess Club**

Vista Grande Public Library. See June 3 listing.

**26 FRIDAY, 5-7 P.M.**

**Intermediate Break Dancing for B Boys & B Girls**

Warehouse 21. See June 3 listing.

**27 SATURDAY, 7-10 P.M.**

**Family Night – "The Girl of the Golden West"**

The Santa Fe Opera. See July 9 listing.

**29 MONDAY, 9-10 A.M.**

**Multigenerational Mindfulness**

Santa Fe Botanical Garden. See June 6 listing.

**30 TUESDAY, 10:30-11 A.M.**

**Books & Babies**

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

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# Summer 2016 Calendar – August/Ongoing Events



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

Main Library. See June 7 listing.

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

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

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

La Farge Library. See June 1 listing.

**31 WEDNESDAY, 1-3 P.M.**  
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**Society for Creative Anachronism**

Warehouse 21. See June 1 listing.

## Ongoing Events

**Museums, cultural centers and other nonprofit organizations within an easy drive of Santa Fe offering exhibits, programming and activities for families.**

**ABQ BIOPARK: ZOO, AQUARIUM, BOTANIC GARDEN**

Open daily 9 a.m. to 6 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 Aquarium, 2601 Central

Avenue NW, Albuquerque. (505) 768-2000, [www.cabq.gov/biopark](http://www.cabq.gov/biopark).

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**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. 474-1670, [www.bataanmuseum.com](http://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. Fifteenth Street and Central Avenue, Los Alamos. (505) 667-4444, [www.lanl.gov/museum](http://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. 992-0591, [www.elmuseocultural.org](http://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. Open Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. to

4 p.m. from June through September; by appointment in April, May and October. Adults \$6; seniors and ages 13 to 18 \$4; under 13 free; prices for special events vary. 334 Los Pinos Road, Santa Fe. 471-2261, [www.golondrinas.org](http://www.golondrinas.org).

**EXPLORA**

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 \$8; seniors, students and military with ID \$5; ages 1 to 11 \$4; under age 1 free. 1701 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque. (505) 224-8300, [www.explora.us](http://www.explora.us).

**GEORGIA O'KEEFFE MUSEUM**

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**HARWOOD MUSEUM OF ART**

Historic and contemporary art and culture of the Taos region. Many family activities and events. Open Tuesday through Saturday 10

a.m. to 5 p.m.; 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](http://www.harwoodmuseum.org).

**MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY NATIVE ARTS**

The country's leading museum of contemporary Native arts, with 7,500 artworks in all 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. 983-8900, [www.iaia.edu/museum](http://www.iaia.edu/museum).

**LEONORA CURTIN WETLAND PRESERVE**

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The Museum of Indian Arts and Culture tells the stories of the people of the Southwest from pre-history through contemporary art. Open Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission \$9; New Mexico residents \$6 daily and free on Sundays; New Mexico seniors with ID free on Wednesdays; ages 16 and under free. Museum Hill, 710 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. 476-1250, [www.indianartsandculture.org](http://www.indianartsandculture.org).

## MUSEUM OF INTERNATIONAL FOLK ART

Wide range of folk art displays from around the world. Open Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission \$9; New Mexico residents \$6 daily and free on Sundays; New Mexico seniors with ID free on Wednesdays; ages 16 and under free. Museum Hill, 706 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. 476-1204, [www.internationalfolkart.org](http://www.internationalfolkart.org).

## MUSEUM OF SPANISH COLONIAL ART

The only museum in the country dedicated to the art of the Spanish colonial period. Special activities for families and children include a Costume Corner and Youth Art and Activity Center. Open Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission \$5; free to New Mexico residents on Sundays; ages 16 and under free. Museum Hill, 750 Camino Lejo, Santa Fe. 982-2226, [www.spanishcolonial.org/museum](http://www.spanishcolonial.org/museum).

## NEW MEXICO HISTORY MUSEUM AND PALACE OF THE GOVERNORS

Explore New Mexico history from the pre-Colombian era through the Atomic Age, including the clash and melding of 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 \$9; New Mexico residents \$6 daily and free on Sundays; 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. 476-5200, [www.nmhistory.org](http://www.nmhistory.org).

## NEW MEXICO MUSEUM OF ART

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## NEW MEXICO MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY AND SCIENCE

Many exhibits on the history of Earth, Planetarium and movies at the giant-screen Lockheed-Martin Dyna Theater. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Museum admission: Adults \$7; seniors \$6 and free Wednesdays; ages 3 to 12 years \$4; 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](http://www.nmnaturalhistory.org).

## PAJARITO ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

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## RAILYARD ARTISAN MARKET

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## SANTA FE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

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## SANTA FE MOMMY MEETUP GROUP

The Santa Fe Mommy Meetup Group is 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](http://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.; 955-2820. [www.santafelibrary.org](http://www.santafelibrary.org).

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**Please send us information about family events happening in September, October and November for our Fall 2016 Calendar. Send by email (preferred): [calendar@sftumbleweeds.com](mailto:calendar@sftumbleweeds.com); or mail: Tumbleweeds, 369 Montezuma #191, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Deadline: July 29.**

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