

Creative Outdoor Fun for Kids & Adults with Andie Thrams

Sunday, July 13, 12 - 4 p.m., Roberts Regional Recreation Area



Presented by the Oakland Museum of California in conjunction with the exhibition:
In Our Own Backyard: A Celebration of the East Bay Regional Parks
March 15 – October 12, 2008 Natural Sciences Gallery

Kids, teens, moms, dads, grandparents - folks of all ages and experience levels are invited to join in this day of celebrating the creative spirit in Roberts Regional Recreation Area. We'll work with ink and watercolor using sticks and other found objects, as well as pen, brush and crayon, to explore lighthearted, and easy and quite beautiful ways to create spontaneous drawings in response to our surroundings.

FEE: Adults \$35, kids 7-12 years \$15. Includes supplies.

Ages 7 and up. Kids must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required. Class size limited. For more information go to the July calendar at www.museumca.org or call 238-2365.

Andie Thrams is a painter, book artist and educator whose work is currently focused on wild forests. Her images and books are widely exhibited, published and collected. In addition to her courses for the Oakland Museum, Andie also teaches in her Sierra Nevada studio, for San Francisco Center for the Book, Sitka Center for Art & Ecology, San Francisco State University Field Campus, Art Institute at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, the Gardens at Heather Farm and Yosemite Association. She has been Artist in Residence at Glacier National Park and Sitka Center for Art & Ecology. Andie holds a BA in Art Practice from the University of California, Berkeley.

REGISTRATION

Creative Outdoor Fun for Kids & Adults with Andie Thrams July 13, 2008.
Registration Due Tuesday, July 8, 2008.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

_____ Phone: _____

____ Adults @ \$35 each

____ Kids @ \$15 each

_____ Total amount enclosed

Please return this form with your non-refundable check, payable to **The Oakland Museum of California** to:
Gail Binder, Natural Sciences, Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street, Oakland CA 94605.

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Sunday, July 13, 2008, 12 - 4:00 p.m.

Meeting place: Roberts Grove Picnic Area, Roberts Regional Recreation Area

Course Description: Kids, teens, brothers, sisters, moms, dads, aunties, uncles and cousins of all ages and experience levels are invited to join in this day of celebrating the creative spirit in the outdoors. Everyone will work with ink, watercolor, sticks and other found objects, as well as pen, brush and crayon, to explore lighthearted, easy and quite beautiful ways to create spontaneous drawings in response to our surroundings.

Bring: a snack and water, a smock or old clothing.

Syllabus: I will arrive early and put up a sign in the parking lot to indicate where we are. We will be meeting and working at 2 or 3 or 4 picnic tables as a group. I will be providing all the materials (paper, paint, ink, brushes, pens, water containers, sticks, etc.). We will be looking at the trees as a creative inspiration, their colors, shapes, patterns. Everyone will work on several large sheets of paper either at the tables or on the ground. Kids often like working on the ground, so I will have things set up for this. We'll be using sticks as drawing/painting tools, which is really fun and easy and surprisingly effective. All media will be water-based, non-toxic, and easy to just rinse off if needed at the end of the day. We will likely wander a bit in the immediate area to look at the trees and other plants, observe, identify, etc. Everyone will have work to take home at the end. This will be a very informal and easy-going atmosphere, designed to encourage art as a way to interact with place.

Directions:

Hwy 13 to Joaquin Miller Rd, go east uphill, turn left on Skyline Blvd. Roberts is 1 mile up the hill on the right. From Hwy 580 E take the 35th Ave exit. Make a left onto 35th Ave. Continue uphill. 35th becomes Redwood Road. At Skyline Blvd, make a left. Stay on Skyline Blvd for one mile and make a right to stay on Skyline Blvd. Continue up the hill one mile, Roberts is on the right. Parking - \$5.

Bus Service: Call AC Transit at 817-1717 (TDD 800-448-9790) to confirm the following bus schedule information: On weekdays #46 runs to the intersection of Skyline Blvd. and Joaquin Miller Road, and further south along Skyline to the former EBRPD headquarters (11500 Skyline Blvd.). It is a 1 mile walk uphill along Skyline to Roberts. From behind the former headquarters building, it is 1.08 miles along the Dunn and Graham trails to Roberts.

Website to Roberts:

<http://ebparks.org/parks/roberts>