

FEBRUARY NEWS AND EVENTS

ISLANDWOOD'S
NEW GARDEN INTERNS

February brings a new chapter for the IslandWood garden. When our new Garden Manager, Mira, started recently, they insisted they bring along their "four best workers". Those workers turned out to be Helen, Queenie, and The Twins, four retired layers from Mira's personal chicken flock. [Read more about what these plucky new interns are up to at IslandWood.](#)

FOR TEACHERS

ECOSYSTEMS
FIELD STUDY

In March through June 2023, IslandWood, in partnership with Seattle Public Utilities, will be offering a Next Generation Science Standards-aligned field study for Seattle 5th-grade students. The field study is designed to enhance and localize the Amplify Ecosystems Restoration unit taught in Seattle Public Schools.

This is a 2-part program that includes a 3.5-hour park-based field trip and a virtual or in-class post-lesson; a pre-lesson is available for teachers to deliver as well. The field trip is FREE, and bus reimbursements are available! [Learn more →](#)

SALMON IN
THE SCHOOLS

We are excited to embark on our first Salmon in the Schools programming with spring salmon releases this April! We'll be opening registration soon for Salmon in the Schools teachers to sign up for a salmon release program and will be contacting teachers directly when we have our sign-up system ready.

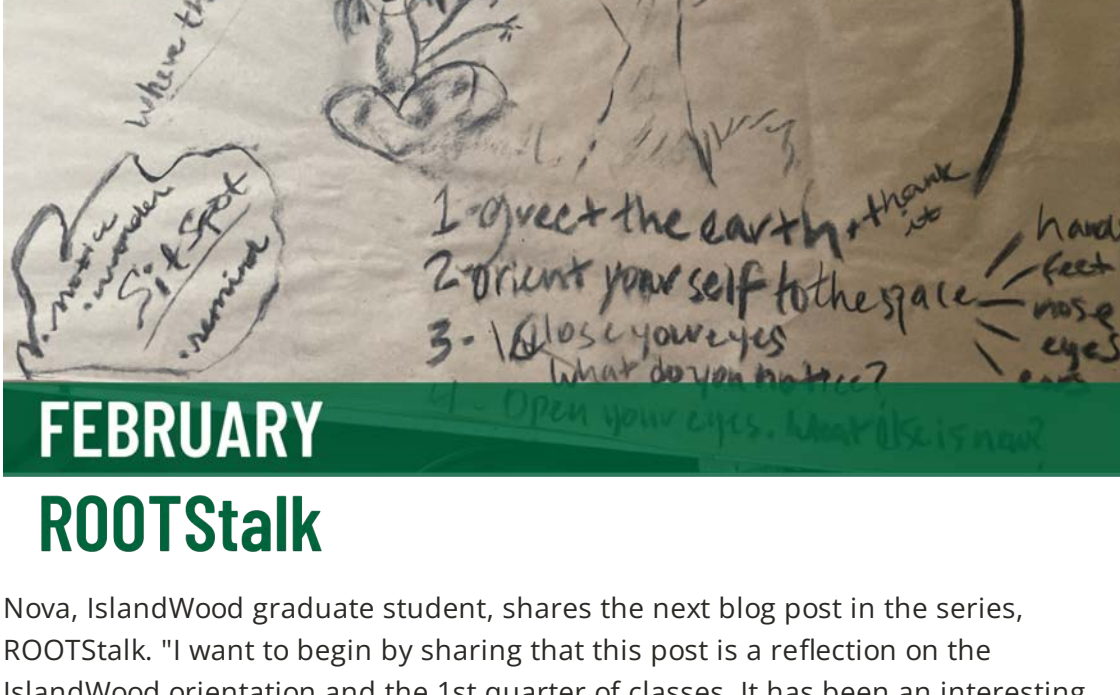
We anticipate supporting releases starting on April 5, through mid-May, at Carkeek Park and Lake Washington sites. [Learn more →](#)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
FOR TEACHERS

We have free courses for 3rd-5th grade teachers thanks to funding by the Washington State Legislature as part of the ClimeTime proviso for teacher professional development. Both courses are eligible for STEM clock hours and offer implementation stipends.

- Mar 2 – June 2: [Community-Centered Climate Action](#)
- Mar 22 – June 2: [Schoolyard Science Storyline – What Makes a Weed a Weed](#)

ISLANDWOOD GRADUATE PROGRAM

FEBRUARY
ROOTStalk

Nova, IslandWood graduate student, shares the next blog post in the series, ROOTStalk. "I want to begin by sharing that this post is a reflection on the IslandWood orientation and the 1st quarter of classes. It has been an interesting transition from New York City to Washington, as well as from orientation to teaching and taking classes." Read Nova's post [here](#).

UPCOMING VIRTUAL
INFO SESSION

Learn about IslandWood's Graduate Program in partnership with the University of Washington on **March 6th** with a live online info session. If you can't make the live session but want to learn more, [check out this recorded info session!](#)

APPLY FOR THE \$20,000
KARR SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now being accepted for the \$20,000 Robert P. Karr Scholarship! This annual scholarship awards five students \$20,000 towards their studies in the IslandWood Graduate Program in Education for Environment and Community.

[Learn more →](#)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

MARCH 18
DINE & DISCOVER

Get a jump on spring and all its wonders at Dine & Discover on March 18th! Imagine an evening of live music, a beautiful meal, complimentary wine pairings, and an optional hike through IslandWood's 250-acres of trails. What a delicious way to support IslandWood's innovative environmental education programs! [Learn more & register →](#)

Bainbridge Island
Conservation Work
Party

Feb 11, 10am – Noon

Mar 11, 10am – Noon



Afternoon on the Trails

Bainbridge Island
Campus

Mar 5, 12 – 4pm

Lecture & Happy Hour
with Homewaters
Author, David B.
Williams

Bainbridge Island
Campus

Mar 12, 2– 5:00pm

SAVE THE DATE
FOR DINNER IN THE WOODS

Mark May 6th on your calendar for Dinner in the Woods 2023! We'll be celebrating our 20th anniversary and can't wait to spend the evening with you!

As we did last year, we'll be offering overnight accommodations on our Bainbridge Island campus and activities and fun for the kiddos in your life. Registration and more details will be coming soon!

Check out our full events calendar [here](#).

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE AT
ISLANDWOOD SUMMER CAMPS!

There are still a few spots left in our Bainbridge Island and Woodinville camps, so get them while you can! [Check out the camps with openings here.](#)

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