

**JANUARY NEWS AND EVENTS**



**LEARN THE SKILLS OF A NATURALIST**

Our bi-annual “Skills of a Naturalist” series returns this month! If you’ve fallen in love with Washington State’s lowlands and have been looking to learn more, then these events are for you! Each week we’ll explore IslandWood’s trail systems, leaving no stone unturned, including investigating lichens and mosses, animal tracks, and botany.

[Check out the series!](#)



**FAMILY CONNECTIONS IMPACT SCIENCE LEARNING**

In this blog post Brad Street, Senior Manager of Teacher Professional Development, shares why bringing family connections and insight into science learning increases student engagement and is a justice-oriented teaching practice. [Read more](#) →



**COUNTDOWN TO SUMMER CAMP 2024**

Get ready for an unforgettable summer filled with adventure and discovery! On Jan 15th IslandWood is announcing our exciting lineup of summer camps at both our Bainbridge campus and the Brightwater Education Center in Woodinville.

Don't miss your chance to secure your spot in the fun! **Summer camp registrations open on Monday, February 26th.**

**IN THE NEWS**



Port Townsend Leader featured IslandWood in an article about Salish Coast Elementary School and their participation in our School Overnight Program during “an atmospheric river week of rain.”

Read the article [here](#).

**FOR EDUCATORS**

We have a few spots left for our Jan 10th free community development course, “Community-Centered Climate Action” for 3rd – 5th grade teachers. Eligible for STEM and Equity clock hours. [Learn more](#) →



**TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**



**FOR 4TH GRADE AMPLIFY SCIENCE TEACHERS**

IslandWood and Seattle Public Schools will unpack the Earth’s Features unit storyline and share ideas to help “localize” it for your 4th grade students. Free via Zoom on Jan 17 & 24 with additional follow-up options. [Learn more](#) →

Staff from IslandWood, NWESD and OESD will facilitate a series of short introductions to opportunities, followed by ample time to brainstorm and develop ideas for localizing your OpenSciEd Unit to YOUR community. Join us for a FREE Saturday session (including lunch and travel) on February 3rd at the Brightwater Education Center near Woodinville. [Learn more](#) →



**LOCALIZING AN OPENSIED MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE UNIT**

**EEC GRADUATE PROGRAM**



**EEC GRAD PROGRAM INFO SESSION**

Get ahead of the priority deadline for the Graduate Program in Education for Environment and Community on March 15th! You’re invited to join alumni and staff for a virtual info session on Feb 6th to get your questions answered before you apply.

[Register](#)

Applications for the \$20,000 **Robert P. Karr Scholarship** are open! To be eligible for the scholarship, students must apply and be accepted to both IslandWood and to the University of Washington. [Learn more](#) →



**\$20,000 KARR SCHOLARSHIP**



**TOUR ISLANDWOOD'S CAMPUS**

You’re invited to join us in-person on Thu, Jan 25th to explore our Bainbridge Island campus and learn more about the EEC program!

[Learn more](#)

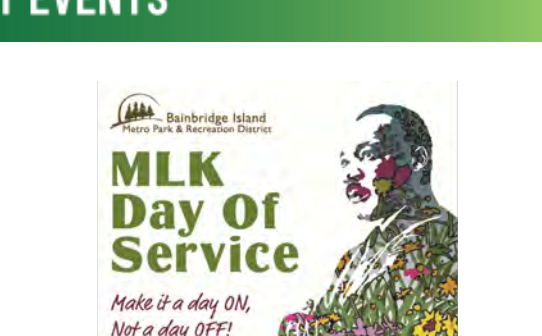
**COMMUNITY EVENTS**



**CONSERVATION WORK PARTY**

Sat · Jan 13 · 10am – 12pm

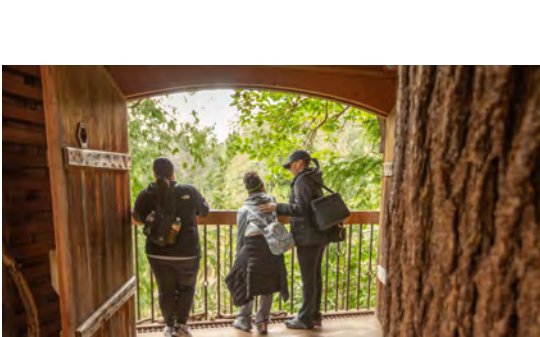
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**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY OF SERVICE\***

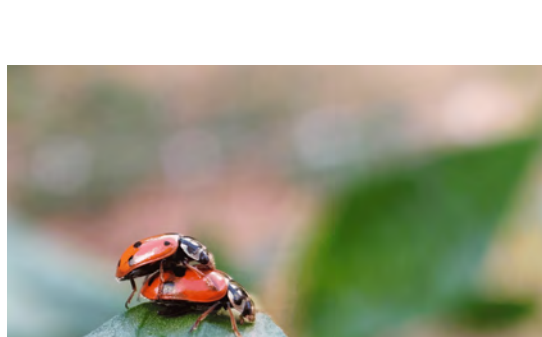
Mon · Jan 15 · 10am – 1pm

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**AFTERNOON ON THE TRAILS**

Sun · Feb 4 · 12 - 4pm



**WILD ABOUT LOVE**

Sun · Feb 11 · 2 - 5pm

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

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