

Rotary Nature Center- Lake Merritt Wildlife Refuge

600 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland, CA 94610 (510) 238-3739

Lake Merritt Location

Young Naturalist meets Monday through Friday:

9 am - 3 pm at the Rotary Nature Center.

Extended Care Available 8 am-9 am and 3 pm-

5 pm (\$14. a day/\$70. per week.)

*** Extended Care includes before care at 8am and Young Naturalist aftercare is until 5pm. A late fee of \$10 will be added every 15 minutes after 5pm.

All Camps: Information requested from the parents or guardians on the first day of camp:

- Current contact phone numbers (cell, work, home phone) in case of an emergency.

Please let us know if the camper has:

- Severe allergy/diet restrictions
- Circumstances that explain mood & behavior (loss, trauma, etc.)
- A car pool with campers **and** who (if someone else) will be picking up.
- Occasion to use Extended Care

Do not hesitate to come to us with any concerns or questions.

Joaquin Miller Park, Skyline Blvd. Location

Touch the Earth Camp:

Mon. through Fri., 9 am- 4 pm

Counselors-in-Training: Mon. through Fri.

9 am-3 pm

Shake, Rattle & Roll:

Mon. through Fri., 9 am- 3 pm

Extended Care available 8 am-9 am and 3 pm-6 pm

(\$14. a day/\$70. per week.)

*** Extended Care includes before care at 8am and aftercare 3pm or 4pm until 6pm in Joaquin Miller Park. A late fee of \$10 will be added every 15 minutes after.

Details:

Joaquin Miller Park Camps are at or near the Redwood Glen Group Picnic Site on Skyline Blvd.

The drop off and pick up location is a large, dirt turnout situated between the entrance to EBRPD Robert's Park and The Chabot Space and Science Center on Skyline Blvd. It is on the *opposite side of the street* from the two landmarks.

Shake, Rattle and Roll will no longer have drop off and pick up at the Ranger Station location on Sanborn Drive. The drop off and pick up location for SSR is the same as Touch the Earth, explained above.

Cell phone service is "spotty" in the parks

What to Bring to Camps:

Lunch: Send a substantial healthy lunch, a snack, and a beverage; preferably water, in a travel-safe container marked with the camper's name. Keep the 3R's in mind: Reduce, Recycle, Reuse. Reusable packaging is encouraged as the trash travels with the camper when out on the trails: *Leave No Trace Practices*. **If your child has a specialized diet, please provide two (2) snacks for them.** Camp provides an afternoon snack.

General: Mark your children's belongings with their full name and send them with a backpack to keep their belongings together.

- Closed-toed shoes: *No sandals!*
- Jacket for cool mornings (marked with name)
- Sunscreen already applied
- Healthy lunch, beverage, snack(s), refillable water bottle

Fridays: Touch the Earth: Swimsuit & towel for swim at Robert's Park Pool. **Do not send money to camp for vending machines at the pool. No ordering food from off site.**

Friday: Young Naturalist: Peddle-boating at Lake Merritt Boating Center

Leave electronics and card sets at home. Let's connect with nature.

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Emergency Locations in Joaquin Miller Park

There are 3 sites that campers may be taken to for safety in the event of an emergency situation and they can be picked up from these locations:

EBRPD Robert's Pool Area: 10570 Skyline Blvd.

Joaquin Miller Park Ranger Station: 3590 Sanborn Drive

Mormon Temple parking lot: 4780 Lincoln Avenue

Emergency Locations at Lake Merritt Wildlife Refuge, Lakeside Park

Lake Merritt Boating Center: 568 Bellevue Avenue

Lakeside Park Garden Center: 666 Bellevue Avenue



Family Overnight in Joaquin Miller Park

Great American Backyard Camp Out # 1 June 23-24, Saturday 2 pm until Sunday 10 am

Great American Backyard Camp Out # 2 July 28-29, Saturday 2 pm until Sunday 10 am

Great American Backyard Camp Out # 3 Aug. 25-26, Saturday 2 pm until Sunday 10 am

This is a nature-oriented overnight event held in the large meadow area of Joaquin Miller Park. The park is in a wooded, wildlife corridor in rustic surroundings. The cost is \$25 per person: ages 5 years old and up. Fee includes Saturday dinner, s'mores for the campfire, and Sunday morning continental breakfast. **No radios, TVs, computers, pets or kerosene lamps will be permitted. For more information on reserving limited tents, sleeping bags or special needs diets contact Karis Griffin at 510 238-2259.