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Happy Hollow Park & Zoo Offers Family Classes

Early learning for babies and toddlers at the Zoo



Photos: On the left - Tales for Tots, on the right – Coffee & Critters. Courtesy of hhpz.org

Event:	<p>Tales for Tots Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Three-class series: \$68 non-members / \$61.20 members Single class meeting: \$26 non-members / \$23.40 members</p>
When:	<p><u>Story Safari</u> March 7, March 14, March 21, 2018 People from all around the world tell stories about animals. Come meet some of the animals in our stories from other countries, and learn about the lives of the animals and people we read about.</p> <p><u>Backyard Buddies</u> (Registration opens February 24, 2018) April 11, April 18, April 25, 2018 Did you know you're not the only one using your backyard? We share our neighborhoods with local critters! Find out all about them and the places we both call home.</p> <p><u>What's For Lunch?</u> (Registration opens February 24, 2018) May 2, May 9, May 16, 2018 Animals vary in what they eat, whether it is plants, meat, or both. Join us as we learn about carnivores, herbivores, and omnivores and learn how they feed their bellies.</p>
Where:	<p>Happy Hollow Park & Zoo 1300 Senter Road, San José, CA 95112</p>
Who:	<p>Happy Hollow Park & Zoo Education Open to the public</p>
Background:	<p>For families with young children, Happy Hollow Park & Zoo offers toddler and baby classes. The Tales for Tots program brings stories to life where toddlers (ages 2 to 3 years old) and their adults explore the world of various tales through engaging songs, interactive play, unique crafts, and live animal encounters.</p>

	<p>This class is designed to be a transitional experience into preschool. Class fee is for one child and one accompanying adult. Additional children require separate registration. Age restrictions apply. Register here: http://bit.ly/hhpztots</p> <p>Happy Hollow Members receive a ten-percent discount on classes with their membership number and coupon code HHMEM</p>

Event:	<p>Coffee & Critters Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. \$21 non-members / \$18.90 members</p>
When:	<p><u>Nothing but Noses - March 6, 2018</u> How do you know whether it's safe to eat a ripe apple or a rotten egg? The nose knows. Learn how animals use their noses to sniff out a delicious treat or even how they get to know their neighbors.</p> <p><u>Hands and Feet - March 20, 2018</u> We use our hands and feet for many things: digging, running, hopping, swinging, and so much more. Learn how animals use their paws, hands, and hooves to do the same.</p> <p><u>Tongues and Teeth - April 10, 2018</u> Animals use their tongues and teeth for more than just eating! Discover how different teeth chew different food and how some tongues stretch for food that's out of reach.</p> <p><u>Tremendous Tails - April 24, 2018</u> Curly, straight, fanned, or hidden - tails come in many forms and have many functions. Learn how animals use their tails in a variety of different ways.</p> <p><u>Fur, Feathers and Scales - May 1, 2018</u> Each animal's body is covered differently making them look and feel unique. Join us as we visit animals who are covered with fur, feathers, or scales.</p> <p><u>Colors and Camouflage - May 15th, 2018</u> There are animals that stand out and others that blend in! Come meet animals of different colors and patterns and find out whether they like to hide or want to be seen.</p>
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Background:	<p>Visitors with babies between 6 and 24-months old are invited to attend Coffee & Critters, a program that provides opportunities for adults and their young children come together, meet other families, enjoy morning refreshments, embark on exciting walkabouts through the Zoo, and meet animals up close. Zoo educators facilitate these unique programs using early childhood education techniques that connect families with nature through colors, shapes, and play.</p> <p>Class fee is for one child and one accompanying adult. Additional children require separate registration. Age restrictions apply. Registration opens February 24, 2018 here: http://bit.ly/hhpzcoffeeandcritters</p>

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