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Contact: Jennifer Smathers, West End Adult Services Library Service Specialist
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Re: May programs explore nature, bees
Attached: *MarkUrnesBeekeeping.jpg*

The Forks and Clallam Bay branches of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) are offering free nature-focused programs. Whether you're interested in getting creative, exploring the outdoors, or learning about beekeeping, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Bad Art Night for Adults: Moss of the Forest

Monday, May 12, 5:30-7 p.m. at Forks Library, 171 S. Forks Ave.

Use provided supplies to make artwork inspired by May's theme, "Moss of the Forest." Be creative just for the fun of it, without any pressure to paint a masterpiece.

Nature Journaling and Scavenger Hunt

Tuesday, May 13, 6-7 p.m. at Elk Creek Conservation Area in Forks

Join the North Olympic Land Trust and library staff at the parking area on Calawah Way before heading out on the trail. Bring your nature journal to record observations of plants, animals and insects, and complete the scavenger hunt.

Beekeeping Basics

Wednesday, May 14, 6-8 p.m. at Clallam Bay Library, 16990 Hwy. 112

Saturday, May 17, 1-3 p.m. at Forks Library, 171 S. Forks Ave.

Mark Urnes of the North Olympic Peninsula Beekeepers' Association will introduce you to types of beehives, useful beekeeping tools, accessories, clothing and much more. Learn the basics of how to obtain and install your first bees.

For more information, visit NOLS.org/events, call 360-374-6402, or email discover@nols.org. Programs are generously funded in part by local Friends of the Library groups.



Mark Urnes will lead a free Beekeeping Basics program May 14 at the Callam Bay Library and May 17 at the Forks Library.

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