

Nature Rocks

11-13th August 2015, The Salt House, West Bay

Programme of Events – Open from 10am-4pm each day

Tu = Tuesday 11th August **W** = Wednesday 12th August **Th** = Thursday 13th August



Add your piece to Darrell Wakelam's "Cabinet of Curiosities" –Darrell will be recreating the famous Bridport scientist Dr. Roberts' cabinet! Darrell is a renowned local artist specialising in imaginative cardboard and paper mache creations. With the help of all our Nature Rocks visitors, he will construct specimens for the cabinet such as shells, fossils and stuffed animals over the course of three days. Come along and submit your own entry into the fascinating collection.

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Join Simon Penn's Fossil Extravaganza – Palaeontologist Simon will appear at Nature Rocks with some choice pieces from his extraordinary fossil collection, plus a fossil rubbing kit so you can make a picture to take away. When not scouring the coast for fossils, Simon delivers Jurassic Coast residential trips to schools with the YHA. Why not bring along your own Jurassic Coast fossil finds for Simon to ID – you never know what you'll learn!

Appearing: **Tu** **W**



Join in Story Weaving with Martin Maudsley – Martin is a master of imaginative story creation, focusing on the wonders of nature and the incredible history and folklore of the south coast. Join him on Thursday for spontaneous story creation sessions, as he weaves strands of geology, history and mythology into captivating tales that will leave you engrossed, and wanting to get out and explore the coast for yourself!

Appearing: **Th** with 4-5 story-telling sessions throughout the day



Become a Beach Champion with Matilda – Matilda Manley from Litter Free Coast & Sea will be making Beach Champion medals that you can take home, and running a Beach Champion quiz, helping you to understand how you can play your part to look after your favourite local beaches.

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Take a West Bay Cruise with Sam & Milo – Sam Scriven from the Jurassic Coast Team will provide expert commentary on-board Lyme Bay RIB Charter’s boat at 12.30pm on Wednesday, skippered by Simon “Milo” Miles. We will go on a half hour cruise around West Bay, taking in some of the spectacular geology of the area. Meet at the boat launch on the bay, or gather at the Jurassic Coast stall at 12.15 for the quick trip over the road and onto the water.

Tickets are £10 for ages 13 and up and £9 for under 12’s.



Decorate an Egg & Make a Clay Pot with Nichola and Bridport Museum
Make a traditional Bridport “curio” with Nichola Blackmore and the team from the museum. There will be polystyrene eggs available to decorate in any style you fancy, in the vein of the famous “Chideock Egg Lady” Chrissie Squire. Or you can make a clay pot, just like the one Dr. Roberts sold his “Poor Man’s Friend” in.

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Dig for Fossils with the Jurassic Coast Team – Sam Scriven and the Jurassic Coast Team & Trust will be bringing their fossil dig box to Nature Rocks, where you can dig around for all manner of startling finds! There’ll also be a glass cabinet full of real fossils that you can pick up, plus colouring in starring some famous local dinosaurs. Sam and the team can answer any of your questions about the coast and how it’s managed, plus showcasing new initiatives such as the Go Jurassic! Rangers kids’ club.

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Learn About Seaton’s Latest Attraction – Mike Rutter, Manager for the new Seaton Jurassic centre, will be at Nature Rocks displaying plans for the centre and answering questions about it. There’s also the chance to make your own Seaton Jurassic badge.

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Get Grubby with Munching Caterpillars – Megan Lowe from Butterfly Conservation will be bringing “Munching Caterpillars” to Nature Rocks on Thursday. This fantastic exhibit features real life caterpillars that you can feed, and you can learn how to attract them to your garden at home.

Appearing: **Th**

How to Find The Salt House: Look for the low grey building next to the roundabout in West Bay – and watch out for the flags!

