



UPCOMING RAINCOAST EDUCATION SOCIETY EVENTS Winter 2007

10 am Sunday November 11, 2007

Build Better Birding Skills!

South Chesterman Parking Lot, Tofino

Join local birders Adrian Dorst and Barb Beasley to learn more about our feathered mudflat friends. Meet at South Chesterman Parking Lot in Tofino, we will caravan over to the mudflats from there. Please bring binoculars, a bird book, and appropriate clothing. We'll be birding rain or shine! Warm up at the Clayoquot Field Station afterwards (before the talk) with a bowl of soup from Trilogy Garden Café (provided).

1:30 – 2:30 pm Sunday November 11, 2007

Slideshow about ... BIRDS!

Clayoquot Field Station, Tofino

Join Peter Davidson, BC Coordinator of Bird Studies Canada for an informative slideshow about birding and public participation in bird monitoring. Learn about how you can contribute to a province-wide program through your casual birding hobby or serious fetish for birds...either way, you don't have to be a scientist to help the birds!

7:30 pm Thursday, November 16, 2007

Slideshow: Oysters on the Half Shell

Long Beach Lodge Resort, Tofino

Learn with local marine biologist and RES staff member Josie Osborne as she presents a humorous and educational talk explaining everything you need to know about oysters. You're guaranteed to discover something about oysters that you didn't know before, and the best part about this talk is that you don't need to love eating oysters in order to learn more about them! (Though she'll tell you about how much she loves them...)

10 am Sunday December 9, 2007

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1-3 pm, Saturday December 15, 2007

Pre-Christmas Bird Walk

Little Beach Parking Lot, Ucluelet

Join local birder (and RES board member) Silva Johansson to learn more about our feathered friends who frequent the rocky shores and protected meadows of the Ucluelet Peninsula. Meet at the Little Beach parking lot in Ucluelet, we will start on the rocky shore and move over to an inner harbour meadow. Please bring binoculars, a bird book, and appropriate clothing and footwear. We'll be birding rain or shine! Budding birders (kids or adults) welcome!

10 am – 4 pm, January 26, 2008

Raincoast Education Society OPEN HOUSE

Clayoquot Field Station, Tofino

Come check out our new digs in the Clayoquot Field Station, meet our fantastic Board of Directors and staff, and learn more about all the exciting programs that the Raincoast Education Society will be bringing to you in 2008. Refreshments and appies provided...we just need you to make it happen!

7:30 pm February 13, 2008

Tla-yaa-as: The Nuu-chah-nulth Root Garden

Clayoquot Field Station, Tofino

Join Jen Pukonen, local naturalist, RES staff member, and University of Victoria graduate student to learn more about the cultural traditions of the Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations in root gardening. Jen will tell us about three delicious, edible plants that were once extensively cultivated and harvested by coastal First Nations, and how local Nuu-chah-nulth communities are reviving this tasty and important traditional activity.

7:30 pm February 21, 2008

More than Just Mud! Social Event

**Trilogy Garden Café
at Tofino Botanical Gardens**

Join the Raincoast Education Society for an evening to celebrate the Tofino Mudflats, hear the contest winners in our "More Than Just Mud Literary Contest," and enjoy drinks and appies provided by the Trilogy Garden Café.

Visit <http://www.tofinomudflats.blogspot.com/> for more information!

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Coming soon...

Our regular Late Winter/Spring Slideshow series! Watch for announcement from January to April 2008 about slideshows given by Tofino and Ucluelet's own "world-travelers" in support of the Raincoast Education Society (hint: you can give a tax-deductible donation as a "subscription" to the Slideshow Series!)

MARCH 2008 ♦ Don't forget the 21st **Annual Pacific Rim Whale Festival**, March 15-23, 2008! The Raincoast Education Society will be presenting slideshows, talks, walks, and kids' events through out the week!

APRIL 2008 ♦ Watch for **slideshows** and **walks** given by local & visiting naturalists. ♦ **Earth Day** is April 22, 2008. ♦ The **11th Annual Shorebird Festival** takes place once again on April 25-27th, 2008. Watch for a great roster of birding events – from walks to talks to poetry readings and more at a variety of venues around Tofino, Pacific Rim National Park Reserve, and Ucluelet.

MAY 2008 ♦ It's time for **Raincoast Host** again...get yourself and your front line staff up-to-date with the natural and cultural history of the Clayoquot Biosphere Reserve region so you can impress your visitors (and your friends!) and bring them back to this beautiful place over and over again. ♦ Treat yourself and your family and friends to a wonderful "**Shorebird Brunch**" on Mother's Day (May 11, 2008) at the Pointe Restaurant in Tofino. All proceeds from this event are generously donated by the Wickaninnish Inn in support of the Shorebird Festival and the Raincoast Education Society.

SUMMER 2008...The list of summer programs and events is so long we'd need another sheet of paper! Watch for a jam-packed schedule of walks and talks from seashore to forest from Tofino to Ucluelet, for kids and adults, local residents and visitors. And, capping off another great summer (as has been the tradition for seven years now...)

August 24th 2008 is the 8th Annual LANTERN FESTIVAL!

You can always get the latest up-to-date schedule of all our events and festivals at
www.raincoasteducation.org

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