

TOPANGA CANYON DOCENTS 2018 NATURALIST TRAINING PROGRAM

AT TOPANGA STATE PARK | 20828 ENTRADA ROAD, TOPANGA



School Walks

The Topanga Canyon Docents is an organization of volunteer docents at Topanga State Park. Each year a Fall Naturalist Training Program is offered to introduce new docents to the program. Learn about the flora, fauna, natural history, and Native American cultures of the Santa Monica Mountains. Share the knowledge you'll gain when you become a volunteer park docent with the Topanga Canyon Docents for their Public Walks, School Walks, Trail Ambassadors, or by greeting visitors at the Visitor Center at Trippet Ranch.

This training program is taught by highly respected educators and professional naturalists from local colleges, museums, and conservation-based institutions. If you've ever hiked the hills and canyons and have longed to share what you see, this training is perfect for you!

The classroom and in-the-field training takes place every other weekend on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Trippet Ranch Visitor Center in Topanga State Park. In addition, five docent-led interpretive walks are on the alternate weekends, on Sunday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Membership in TCD includes other benefits besides the training program. Throughout the year docent members have hikes, potluck gatherings, trips, seminars and educational workshops. The training course fee includes a one-year membership and volunteers receive a parking pass for Topanga State Park. Come enjoy Topanga State Park, a unique wild area close to home.

Topics:

CHUMASH AND TONGVA CULTURES
NATIVE PLANTS & PLANT COMMUNITIES
MAMMALS, INSECTS AND BIRDS
REPTILES/AMPHIBIANS

FIRE ECOLOGY
GEOLOGY
CLIMATE AND ITS EFFECT
NATURALIST LEADERSHIP



Visitor Center



Chumash culture



Public Walks



Hands on learning



FALL TRAINING BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8, 2018

DOCENT TRAINING SESSIONS: Six Saturday classes & five Sunday interpretive walks through November 17th.

REGISTRATION BEGINS IN JULY 2018

Send a message to info@topangacanyondocents so you can be put on a contact list for updates.

