

Hands-on children's activities at Valhalla

Families looking for an outdoor educational experience can head to the Valhalla Grand Hall located at the Tahoe Tallac Historic Site on Highway 89 on the South Shore. From July 5-9, children ages 4-15 are invited to discover their power to create in a series of Expression Painting Classes. Created by Gina Stowell, the classes are designed to help children develop and discover the excitement of painting.

Stowell's Expression Painting sessions share art history and painting techniques followed by a free painting session encouraging creativity and self-expression. Students should wear sunscreen and a hat plus bring a healthy snack. The cost is \$150 per child for the week including materials. The three-hour sessions are limited to 10 children and they're filling up fast. Sessions are from 9:30am-1:30pm. Sign up by calling (530) 541.4975.

On July 7, the whole family can head to the "In the Meadow Sing-a-Long" at the historic Boathouse Theatre. Starting at 10am, children ages pre-school through 12 can participate in an interactive nature and music presentation learning about bears, coyotes and geese in their natural habitat. It's a free event and parental supervision is necessary.

For event and site visit parking, there is two-hour free parking to tour and/or buy tickets (excluding July 4 when there is no parking available). The parking lot is open daily from 11am to 3pm, as are the Valhalla Grand Hall and Boathouse Theatre.