Los Gatos-Saratoga Camera Club Program Evening

Macro and Close-Up Photography on Peninsula Open Space Preserves

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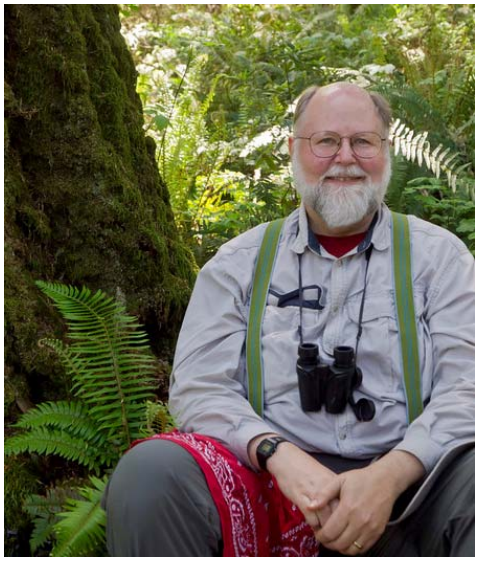

About the Presentation

Jack is going to tell us about his passion as an amateur naturalist and nature photographer, areas that he frequents for his photographic exploits, macro/close up photographic techniques and some of the finer points of what drives him as an amateur naturalist.

You can also look forward to learning more about the Peninsula Open Space Preserves.

About the Presenter

Jack doesn't particularly like taking bird photos, because birds usually don't let you get close, and they tend to move around a lot and fly away. Instead, he particularly enjoys photographing more accessible subjects, like mushrooms, wildflowers, and creepy-crawly critters. He believes that there's a lot of beauty and interest in the little things in nature that are usually overlooked or only given a cursory glance.

Professionally, Jack is a former Associate Professor of Biophysics at U.C. Berkeley and a veteran of Silicon Valley Biotech startups. In 1999 he became an independent scientific consultant, at least partly to cut his workload down to a level that would permit spending some time on activities like the subject of this presentation.

A note about photo quality: I aspire to professional-quality photos that might grace a wall or nature guide, but I'm also interested in just documenting the diversity of living things where I live and travel. So the photos here range from those that I really like to those that only represent a check mark for the species depicted.
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