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Restore and Create: Earth Day Celebration at Stinson Beach
Saturday April 20, 2019, 10am–3pm
Caring, creativity, and collaboration combine in a unique celebration

The 15th Annual Earth Day Celebration at Stinson Beach combines care for the environment with hands-on arts activities for all ages. Participants can help with beach cleanup and join with collaborating artists in sculpture-making with natural materials, making music, dancing, and more.

Bags and gloves are provided, however the organizers encourage participants to bring their own buckets and gloves to reduce the environmental footprint of the event.

All are invited to join over a dozen collaborating artists in making ephemeral art with natural materials from the beach, music making, dancing, and more. The public is welcome to bring small percussion instruments such as shakers, bells, or palm-sized drums.

The south end of Stinson Beach offers an unusual diversity of natural materials and microenvironments: boulders, stones, tide pools, seaweed, driftwood, feathers, and sea glass. In past years, participants stacked rock towers; created imaginary cities from sand globes; made spirals from seaweed; planted a forest of driftwood "trees"; and created dragons, fairies, and abstract sand drawings. A professional musician led a band of beachgoers in making beats with sticks and rocks, while a dance took place among driftwood sculptures.

According to socially engaged environmental artist Zach Pine, who founded the event fourteen years ago, "This event aims to forge a strong, hopeful, and constructive connection with the earth through stewardship and collective creative action. My aim is to energize people to care for and protect the earth not only on Earth Day, but throughout the year."

The event is produced in partnership by Zach Pine Nature Sculpture and Samavesha, in collaboration with Marin County Parks and Surfrider Foundation (Marin County Chapter).

Zach Pine is a socially engaged environmental artist whose group art-making events, hands-on create-with-nature installations, and consulting work connects people with nature (zpcreatewithnature.com). Samavesha is an international multidisciplinary nonprofit music and arts organization (samavesha.org).

Event details:

Restore and Create: Earth Day Celebration at Stinson Beach; Saturday April 20, 2019, drop in at any time between 10am and 3pm; south end of Stinson Beach; free; all ages; rain or shine; bring a picnic; earthdaystinsonbeach.org. Accessibility information is on event website.