


RANDALL DAVEY **Audubon**
CENTER & SANCTUARY

2017 Summer Adventure Camps



Not your ordinary summer camp!

At the **Randall Davey Audubon Center & Sanctuary**, campers explore
135 acres of mountain wilderness and a variety of diverse habitats.

We discover, investigate, and play

through **hands-on, minds-on** activities and games that
encourage an **understanding, appreciation and love of nature.**

“I have been along on many school trips and camp experiences with my children and grandchildren,
but rarely have I seen teachers/counselors with such joyful enthusiasm and energy, depth of
experience with their subject, and skill in helping children learn with delight and engagement.”

- 2016 Summer Camp Grandparent

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Campers Explore!

Each week, we'll emphasize a specific theme and introduce campers to skills that will enhance their appreciation of nature - from the really big macro elements to the itsy-bitsy microscopic elements!

2017 Program Schedule

Camp sessions run Monday or Wednesday through Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

	Date	Program	Age	Cost
Week 1	June 5th - June 9th	Enchanted Forest	Chickadees (5 to 7)	\$225
Week 2	June 12th - June 16th	Brainy Birds	Towhees (7 to 10)	\$225
Week 3	June 19th - June 23rd	Eco-Explorers	Peregrines (9 to 12)	\$225
Week 4	June 26th - June 30th	Wild at Art	Towhees (7 to 10)	\$250
Week 5	July 5th - July 7th (3-day)	Sensational Nature	Chickadees (5 to 7)	\$185
Week 6	July 10th - July 14th	Time Travelers	Peregrines (9 to 12)	\$225
Week 7	July 17th - July 21st	Nature Survivors Camp	Towhees (7 to 10)	\$225
Week 8	July 24th - July 28th	Pollinator Planet	Chickadees (5 to 7)	\$225
Week 9	July 31st - August 4th	Young Naturalist Club	Peregrines (9 to 12)	\$225

Registration begins online Wednesday, February 1st, at 9:00 am & will continue until all camps are full.

- Go to <https://camperregsecure.com/audubonrandaveylogin/>
 - Log in or create a new account
- Add one or more programs to your cart and check out
 - A confirmation email will be sent to you!

Other Details...

Aftercare:

Aftercare is available from 3:00 to 5:00 pm for a cost of \$20 per day or \$80 per week. Please make arrangements with the Camp Director. You may pay for aftercare via check or cash starting the first day of your child's camp and must have all payments in by the last day of the week. No charge if camper is picked up by 3:30 pm.

What to Bring:

Campers need to bring a morning and afternoon snack, lunch, refillable water bottle, backpack, sun hat, sunscreen, hiking shoes, and water shoes. Each camper will be provided with a cubby to store belongings.

What NOT to Bring:

Due to the distracting nature of electronics, please leave anything with an on/off switch at home, including cell phones. The majority of cell phones don't work at the Center, and should you need to reach your child during camp hours, you are welcome to call our staff.



Chickadees

Ages 5 to 7



Enchanted Forest June 5th - June 9th

The sanctuary is always a magical place to explore the wonders of nature. This week our trails and gardens will transform with an extra dose of enchantment. Campers will create nature "potions", cast woodland spells, and build homes for fairies and elves, all while learning about local forest plants and animals.

Sensational Nature July 5th - July 7th (3-Day Camp)

This 3-day camp is all about practicing using our senses to explore and play in nature. We'll compare our own senses with the senses of wild creatures great and small. Each day we will focus on a different sense and animal, and use what we learn during hikes, outdoor games, and books to create a nature-inspired craft.



Pollinator Planet July 24th - July 28th

Bees, butterflies, bats, moths, beetles, and flies, oh my! Let's discover the plentiful pollinators that inhabit our planet! Campers will investigate pollinators, learn from Master Gardeners, go on pollinator scavenger hunts, play games, study bugs, learn about flowering plants through art projects, and more!

"Unique setting, professional staff, and engaging activities: A perfect combination for a summer camp"-
2016 Summer Camp Parent

Towhees

Ages 7 to 10



Brainy Birds

June 12th - June 16th

Birds are fascinating! Campers will join us this week to become an honorary ornithologist (bird scientist). Campers will learn all about interesting bird behavior; investigate feathers, eggs, and other bird artifacts; try their hand at building a nest just like a bird; go on a bird watching safari or two, and more. This week will be full of outdoor fun, exploring the sanctuary trails, and learning from bird experts!

Wild at Art

June 26th - June 30th

Nature and the picturesque surroundings of our wildlife sanctuary will be the inspiration for campers to create their own art and craft projects this week. Our counselors will lead campers in outdoor investigations and lessons, and each day will end with a reflective art project- from site-specific sculpture, painting, sand art, clay sculpture, observational drawing in journals and more.



Nature Survivors Camp

July 17th - July 21st

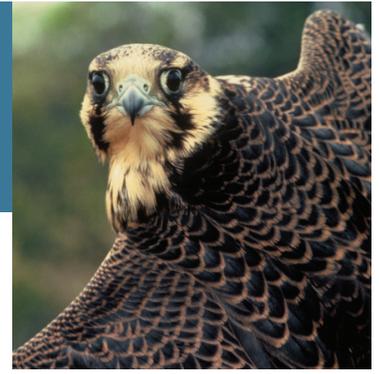
Animals survive in the wild each day, could you? This week we will search for the reasons wild animals are so successful and see how we compare. Campers will try their hand at shelter building, using a compass, creating maps, and exploring off trail. Learn how to utilize your senses in nature and discover some new skills working both individually and as a team.

“When I was younger, I was a camper at the Audubon Center, and I looked forward to it every summer. It was incredible to be a counselor at the camp I love so much. The Randall Davey Audubon Center is a wonderful place. I’m so thankful that I got to work at such a fun, interesting camp with such kind staff.”

- 2016 Junior Naturalist-in-Training

Peregrines

Ages 9 to 12



Eco-Explorers June 19th - June 23rd

Every day is a new adventure this week as campers explore how the living and non-living parts of our sanctuary interact with each other. Through games, experiments, hands-on projects, nature exploration and observation we'll learn about how energy gets used and exchanged in the fantastic web of life surrounding our classroom.

Time Travelers July 10th - July 14th

A camp built for the budding geologist, paleontologist, or archaeologist. This week we'll search for mineral crystals on sanctuary trails, learn about modern day dinosaurs, go on a fossil hunting expedition, investigate real animal bones, learn what fossils can teach us about plants and animals that lived long ago, and practice traditional arts and crafts inspired by archaeology.



Young Naturalist Club July 31st - August 4th

A camp for kids that can't get enough of nature! Inspired by famous naturalists in history- from Charles Darwin and John James Audubon, to Rachel Carson and Florence Merriam Bailey- this week we'll cast our net far and wide to explore and investigate the natural world, and learn from experts in their field. On hikes we'll follow our senses as we explore the sanctuary off the beaten path, and we'll practice our naturalist skills through games and other activities.

“The Randall Davey Audubon day camp is a wonderful way for a child to spend the summer. Interesting and fun activities and engaging and caring staff”

-2016 Summer Camp Parent

Naturalists-in-Training

Ages 13 to 18



Audubon's Youth Volunteer Program

Teens between 13 and 18 years old can volunteer with our education team and help inspire and have fun exploring with campers! Senior Naturalists-in-Training (SNs, 15 years +), and Junior Naturalists-in-Training (JNs, 13-14) assist our educators and interns in a variety of daily activities related to our camp theme each week. From storytelling, craft time, hiking excursions, games, science experiments and more, volunteers gain skills and experience, all while having fun and learning in nature.

We are seeking volunteers that can model excellent safety and behavior standards for our campers. Volunteers must be in good standing at school, responsible, open to learning new skills, willing to work with a team, and above all, you should enjoy sharing your love of nature with our young adventurers! Audubon's youth volunteers are really awesome!



Why Volunteer?

Are you a teen interested in learning more about public speaking and presenting? How about how to keep safe and have fun while hiking in the outdoors? Have you always wanted to learn more about wildlife, rocks and minerals, ecology, and biology? Are you interested in gaining career experience and volunteer hours? If the answer is yes to any of the above, please apply! Build your resume for future job and college applications! All volunteer applicants receive training prior to the beginning of camps, and are provided with a reference letter from the camp director at the end of the summer if desired.



Applications are due by April 15th

We ask that all of our youth volunteers commit to two training days prior to camp, and then commit to volunteering for at least two weeks out of the ten weeks of summer camp.

For more information and to apply please visit <http://nm.audubon.org> to download an application, and submit to Samantha Funk, Summer Camp Director, at sfunk@audubon.org.



The Fine Print...

Registration Information:

Go to our online registration website:

<https://camperregsecure.com/audubonrandaveylogin/>

*Registration will begin at 9:00 AM on **Wednesday, February 1st, 2017**, and will continue **until all camps are full**.

Cancellation Policy: (Please read carefully)

ALL CANCELLATIONS MUST BE IN WRITING!

- ~ Cancellations made **on or before May 5th** will receive full refunds, less a \$50 processing fee.
- ~ Cancellations made after **May 13th**, but made at least **3 weeks prior** to your child's camp session receive a 50% refund.
- ~ **No refunds** will be given for cancellations within 3 weeks of your child's camp.
- ~ Choose camp sessions wisely. * **Please do not ask us to make exceptions.** We truly do understand circumstances change, but please remember we are a non-profit and a business. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Transfer Policy:

Campers transferred from one camp to another camp will be charged a \$25 administrative fee.

Scholarships:

A limited number of camp scholarships are available. Eligibility is based on financial need. Awards are based on available funding. For application materials, please download from our website, or contact Samantha Funk at sfunk@audubon.org or (505)983-4609, ext. 21.

Camp Youth Volunteers: (must be at least 13 years of age) For information about volunteering please contact Samantha Funk at (505) 983-4609 ext. 21

Audubon New Mexico's Education & Scholarship Fund

If you are interested in helping us give all children the opportunity to experience the wonders of nature, please consider making a donation to our Education & Scholarship Fund. Donations are tax-deductible! Please make checks payable to the Randall Davey Audubon Center and send to:

**Randall Davey Audubon Center
Education & Scholarship Fund
PO Box 9314
Santa Fe, NM 87504**



“It is important for the future well-being of our planet and our children that they feel a connection to and appreciation for nature, which requires experiencing nature first hand. The Audubon Summer camps give our kids that experience, and the knowledge to appreciate and understand that experience.”

-2015 Summer Camp Parent