



Audubon

Randall Davey  
Audubon Center  
and Sanctuary



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# Randall Davey Audubon Center & Sanctuary Summer Camp





At the Randall Davey Audubon Center & Sanctuary, campers will explore 135 acres of diverse wilderness and habitats. We discover, investigate, and play through hands-on activities that encourage and inspire an understanding and appreciation of the natural world.

## Daily Schedule

This is a rough idea of our daily schedule. Much of our time will be spent outdoors and in the shade as much as possible. Campers will have access to the Center's indoor restrooms. Our schedule is subject to change depending on weather, camper's interest-level, and other immediate concerns.

- 8:30-9:00 a.m. - Drop-off time & free play
- 9:00-9:30 a.m. - Welcome, Morning Circle & warm up games
- 9:30-10:00 a.m. - Morning snack & restroom break
- 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. - Hike & outdoor activities
- 12:00-1:00 p.m. - Lunch & play on the lawn & treehouse
- 1:00-1:30 p.m. - Story time & quiet relaxation
- 1:30-2:45 p.m. - Afternoon stations, crafts & science investigations
- 2:45-3:00 p.m. - Closing Circle
- 3:00-3:30 p.m. - Pick-up time & afternoon snack
- 3:30-5:00 p.m. - Aftercare (optional; \$20 a day)



# 2024 Camp Schedule

Week	Date	Name of Camp	Age Group
1	June 3-7	Sensational Senses	5-8
		Wild at Art	8-12
2	June 10-14	Critter Crafts	5-8
		Ecosystem Expeditions	8-12
3	June 17-21	Bird Buddies	5-8
		Magical Beasts	8-12
4	June 24-28	Terrific Trackers	5-8
		Just Wingin' It	8-12
5	July 1-5 (no camp on July 4)	Sensational Senses	5-8
		Wild at Art	8-12
6	July 8-12	Critter Crafts	5-8
		Ecosystem Expeditions	8-12
7	July 15-19	Bird Buddies	5-8
		Magical Beasts	8-12
8	July 22-26	Terrific Trackers	5-8
		Just Wingin' It	8-12

*All Camps are \$285.00 except for our 4-day camps (Week 5: Sensational Senses and Wild at Art) which are \$230.00*

Online Registration begins March 1st, 2024. Please visit our [camp website](#) for more details.

# Camp Descriptions: Ages 5-8

## **Sensational Senses (June 3-7 & July 1-5, No camp July 4th)**

Close your eyes, what do you hear? I hear it's going to be fun a week at camp while we learn about animals and nature through our senses! Each day, we will focus on a different observational sense—learning not only how animals utilize smell, sight, hearing, and touch, but also practicing them ourselves! We will learn the sounds of the forest, become smell detectives, and more!

## **Critter Crafts (June 10-14 & July 8-12)**

Scurry on up to the Randall Davey Audubon Center for arts and crafts summer fun! We will use animals and plants as inspiration while building artistic creations from found and recycled materials. From reuse sculptures, charcoal animal sketches, and nature paintings, campers will explore the trails and gardens while letting their creativity roam free. Families are invited to join us for our Friday afternoon Gallery walk to see our creations from the week.



## **Bird Buddies (June 17-21 & July 15-19)**

Flap, fly, waddle, and migrate to our Bird Buddies camp! In this camp, we will examine bird skulls, investigate colorful feathers, and build our own nests in the forest. Through using binoculars in our wildlife garden, designing their own bird feeders, and more, campers will learn about our local birds friends and how to be the best bird buddy they can be!

## **Terrific Trackers (June 24-28 & July 22-26)**

Put your eyes and ears to the test in this camp all about tracking and learning about wildlife even when we don't see them! Join us to learn how to identify animals from their tracks, scat, and more! Campers will create their own track booklet, conduct a scat investigation, and will test their skills in a Footprint Feat challenge at the end of the week. Campers will also have an opportunity to learn about wildlife cameras and see who visits the center during our camp week!



# Camp Descriptions: Ages 8-12

## **Wild at Art (June 3-7 & July 1-5, No camp July 4th)**

This week, we're letting our creative side take over and go WILD! Campers will discover how animals and the environment around us can inspire our art through observation, movement, and exploring new materials. Through writing habitat haikus, painting landscapes, and sketching skulls, campers will enrich their own artistic creations by drawing on nature's artistry. Families are invited to join us for our Friday Gallery walk to see our creations from the week.

## **Ecosystem Expeditions (June 10-14 & July 8-12)**

It's adventure time at Audubon Camps! This week, we're putting on our hiking boots, grabbing our binoculars and compass, then hitting the trails. Each day we will explore a local ecosystem like Pinyon-Juniper Woodlands, the Santa Fe River, or Ponderosa Forest. Through hands-on activities, we will learn all about each ecosystem and the animals that live in them. We'll go on an animal tracking treasure hunt, design habitat maps, create our own ecosystem story book and more!

## **Magical Beasts (June 17-21 & July 15-19)**

We're wandering into the fantastical this week as we explore magical creatures and more! All week, campers will combine science, art, and imagination to learn about nature and wildlife. We will learn how animals turn invisible through incredible camouflage, investigate wings that help you fly silently through the sky, make our own wands and potions, and even create our own fantastical beast!

## **Just Wingin' It (June 24-28 & July 22-26)**

How do birds fly? What is a blood feather? Why do birds migrate? We will investigate these avian inquiries and more. After measuring our wingspans, playing Bon Appetweet, and learning all about our local birds, campers will put their bird brains to the test competing in the Eggcellent EggDrop challenge, the Best Bird Pageant, and the Migration Madness obstacle course.



# Frequently Asked Questions

## Are there any scholarships?

Yes, partial and full tuition scholarships are available for families facing economic hardship. Scholarship awards include a full or partial tuition scholarship, as well as free aftercare for one week of camp. To request a scholarship, please email our Summer Camp Director at [meghan.baker@audubon.org](mailto:meghan.baker@audubon.org). Scholarship campers and parents are asked to write a letter or draw a picture related to their experience at camp. If you are interested in contributing to our scholarship funds and supporting youth access to the outdoors, please contact us.

## How do I register for camp?

Registration is done online and can be accessed at our [website](#). Registration will open at 9AM on March 1st, 2024 and will close when all camp sessions are filled. We recommend creating an account for your camper prior to registering. Just remember to create an account using your camper's information rather than your own. Our max capacity for all camp sessions is 18 campers. We require all camp forms to be completed digitally prior to the first day of camp.

## What if a camp is full?

If a camp session you would like to register for is full, you are welcome to add your camper to our waitlist through our online registration form. In the event of a spot opening up, we will reach out to those on the waitlist, in the listed order, until the spot is filled.



### **What if I want to cancel?**

Cancellations made on or prior to May 1, 2024 are fully refundable minus a \$50 processing fee. Cancellations made after May 1, but at least 2 weeks prior to your camper's session will be refundable minus a \$100 cancellation fee. No refunds will be given for cancellations within 2 weeks of your child's camp session. All cancellations must be made in writing to the Camp Director.

In the event we must cancel camp due to a confirmed positive COVID-19 case amongst campers, staff, or volunteers, camp families will be refunded in full for the days they are unable to attend camp.

### **Can I transfer to a different session?**

Yes, if space is available. Our fee for transferring a camper to a new session is \$50. Please contact us.

### **What should my camper bring to camp?**

Your camper should bring a morning snack, lunch, re-fillable water bottle, backpack, hat, sunscreen, and trail-ready footwear. We will provide cubby storage for all camper belongings. Please make sure your camper is prepared to spend most of their camp time outdoors, except in the event of inclement weather.

### **Covid-19 and Sick Considerations**

We will continue to follow CDC guidelines regarding Covid-19. Campers who are sick should not attend camp and will be sent home if feeling unwell. In the event of fever symptoms, campers should refrain from coming to camp until after they have been fever free for 24 hours.

We reserve the right to alter and update our policies depending on changes to federal, state, or local guidelines.

Please contact Meghan Baker, Summer Camp Director at [meghan.baker@audubon.org](mailto:meghan.baker@audubon.org) with any questions and visit [randalldavey.audubon.org/camp](http://randalldavey.audubon.org/camp) for more details.





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