



Audubon

Randall Davey
Audubon Center
and Sanctuary

2020 Summer Adventure Camps



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

We discover, investigate, and play

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

"My girls absolutely love this camp. They love it so much it is hard for me to get them to leave! They tell their grandparents it is the best camp ever."

- 2019 Camp Parent



2020 Program Schedule

Camp sessions run Monday-Friday from 9AM-3PM. Drop off is 8:30-9AM and pick up is 3-3:30PM. Extended care is available.

	Date	Name of Camp	Cost	Age Group
Week 1	June 1-5	Animal Adventures (Session 1)	\$250	Chickadees (5-7)
		Brainy Birds	\$250	Towhees (7-10)
Week 2	June 8-12	Nature Sprouts (Session 1)	\$250	Chickadees (5-7)
		Creative Creatures	\$265*	Peregrines (9-12)
Week 3	June 15-19	Feathered Friends	\$250	Chickadees (5-7)
		Feathers, Fur, Skin & Scales	\$250	Towhee (7-10)
Week 4	June 22-26	Wild at Art (Session 1)	\$265*	Chickadees (5-7)
		Forest Forensics	\$250	Peregrine (9-12)
Week 5	June 29-July 3	All About Bugs (Session 1)	\$250	Chickadees (5-7)
		Nature Detectives	\$250	Towhee (7-10)
Week 6	July 6-10	Animal Adventures (Session 2)	\$250	Chickadees (5-7)
Week 7	July 13-17	Nature Sprouts (Session 2)	\$250	Chickadees (5-7)
Week 8	July 20-24	ImagiNature	\$265*	Towhee (7-10)
Week 9	July 27-31	All About Bugs (Session 2)	\$250	Chickadees (5-7)
Week 10	August 3-7	Wild at Art (Session 2)	\$265*	Chickadees (5-7)

*\$15 material fee included

Registration begins February 1st at 9AM

Please note: our registration software has changed to CampDoc! If you are a returning camp family, this means you will have to create a new account and profiles for your campers. But we promise, it's for the better! All camp forms will be completed digitally ahead of the first day of camp.

More details...

- **Extended care:** is available from 7:30-8:30am and 3:30-5pm. Before care costs \$15/day or \$75/week and must be registered for online prior to camp. After care costs \$20/day or \$100/week and can be registered for the morning of. All payments are due by Friday. No charge for campers dropped off after 8:30am or picked up by 3:30pm.
- **What to bring:** Campers must come prepared with a morning and afternoon snack, lunch, refillable water bottle, backpack, hat, sunscreen, and trail-appropriate footwear. Campers will be provided with cubbies for safe storage in our classroom.



Chickadee Programs (ages 5-7)

Animal Adventures (June 1-5, July 6-10)

Calling all animal lovers! This week at camp, we will be discovering the amazing animals that surround us and the unique adaptations that help them to survive in their habitats. Each day we will explore different creatures through hands-on investigations, creative play, craft projects, and storytelling.



Nature Sprouts (June 8-12, July 6-10)

Our wildlife garden and sanctuary trails are the perfect place for a budding scientist to learn all about plants! This week, we will be investigating the plant kingdom through games, gardening, experiments, and craft projects. With a special visit from the Master Gardeners, we'll have a chance to get our hands dirty in the garden.

Feathered Friends (June 15-19)

What makes a bird, a bird? If I grew feathers, could I fly? Why do owls hunt at night? How do hummingbirds migrate across the ocean? This week at camp, we will be investigating the incredible adaptations of our avian neighbors. Through play, observation, and experimentation, we will learn all about bird behavior and adaptations. Together, we will safari through the Audubon Sanctuary looking for New Mexico's beautiful birds.



Chickadee Programs (ages 5-7)

Wild at Art (June 22-26, August 3-7)

Discover the beauty of nature and let it inspire your inner artist this week! Art comes in all forms in nature: mesmerizing landscapes, the musical songs of birds, the graceful and powerful ways that animals move, and beyond! Using recycled materials and things found outside, campers will create eco-friendly art projects. Our observations and creations will be shared with friends and family with a final art show on Friday!



All About Bugs (June 29-July 3, July 27-31)

This week at camp we are exploring the incredible world of insects! Summer time is perfect for going on a bug hunt and learning about fascinating insects like butterflies, ants, bees, and beetles! We'll break out the butterfly nets, bug jars, and magnifiers to take a close up look. Campers will learn about pollinators, build their very own bug, compete in caterpillar races, and more!

"Excellent camp. Well organized with creative activities. My granddaughter loved it."

- 2019 Camp Grandparent

Towhee Programs (ages 7-10)

Brainy Birds (June 1-5)

Caw, caw! Caw, caw! This week, we will be learning all about birds. Through outdoor adventures, hands-on science, and creative projects we will be embracing our inner avian and investigating the incredible lives of our feathered friends. Campers will learn all about bird behavior, investigate feathers, eggs, and skulls, try their hand at building a nest, and go bird-watching!



Feathers, Fur, Skin & Scales (June 15-19)

Why do some animals have feathers, while others are covered in fur, skin, or scales? This week's campers will learn all about different groups of animals, their habitats, and their adaptations that help them to survive! Each day we will explore a different animal group through games, art projects, outdoor adventure, and scientific investigation.



Nature Detectives (June 29-July 3)

Mysteries abound at the Audubon Center this week! Only a trained Nature Detective can put the pieces of the puzzle together. A Nature Detective's mission, should they choose to accept, is to collect daily clues and evidence to solve the mysteries of the forest. Each day, campers will have a new mystery to solve through games, art projects, and outdoor adventures.

ImagiNature (July 20-24)

Science and art get all mixed up at camp this week! Art comes in all forms along our trails: mesmerizing landscapes, the musical songs of birds, the graceful and powerful ways that animals move, and beyond! Using recycled and natural materials, campers will create eco-friendly art projects throughout the week. Join us for our final art show on Friday to see our amazing creations!



Peregrine Programs (ages 9-12)

Creative Creatures (June 8-12)

We are getting creative at camp this week! Each day we will explore different forms of art inspired by the natural world and allow our creativity to flow. Through sculpture, music, painting, engineering, and design, as well as outdoor adventure, we will investigate the beauty of the plants and animals at the Audubon center.



Forest Forensics (June 22-26)

This week at camp we're becoming forensics experts as we explore the Audubon trails! Who was here? Where'd they go? What did they leave behind? Campers will investigate scat, tracks, bones, and animal evidence, while discovering the mysteries of the forest.

"Really positive experience. Our son has never been so excited about a summer program before!"

- 2019 Camp Parent

Naturalist-in-Training (ages 13-18)

Audubon's Youth Volunteer Program

Teens between 13 and 18 years old can volunteer and have fun exploring with campers! Naturalists-in-Training assist Audubon educators in a variety of daily activities related to our camp theme each week. From story-telling, craft time, hiking excursions, games, science experiments, and more, volunteers gain skills and experience while having fun and learning in nature.



We are looking for Junior (age 13-15) and Senior (age 16-18) Naturalists-in-Training who:

- Will act as role models for our campers (ages 5-12), by demonstrating safe, respectful, and fun camp behavior
- Are in good standing at school, have shown responsibility and leadership
- Are open to learning new skills
- Willing to work in a team
- Enjoy sharing your love of nature with young adventurers!

Naturalists-in-Training **must be able** to commit to:

- A two-day training prior to camp
- Volunteering for at least **two** of the ten weeks of camp

For more information and to apply, please visit our website at nm.audubon.org/summercamp.

Applications must be submitted by **April 17, 2020** through the online form.

Frequently Asked Questions

Are there any scholarships?

Yes, camp scholarships are available. Scholarships depends on available funding and eligibility is based on financial need. To apply for a scholarship, please visit our website or contact us. Scholarship campers and parents are asked to write a letter or draw a picture related to their experience at camp. Applications must be submitted by **April 17, 2020** through the online form.

How do I register?

Registration is completed online and can be accessed through our website. Registration opens at **9AM on Saturday, February 1, 2020** and will remain open until all camp sessions are full. Chickadee programs are capped at 20 campers. Towhee and Peregrine programs are capped at 22 campers.

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What if camp is full?

If the camp session you would like to register for is full, you can add your camper to the waitlist through our online registration system.

What if I want to cancel?

Cancellations made on or prior to May 1, 2020 are fully refundable minus a \$50 processing fee. Cancellations made after May 1, but at least 3 weeks prior to your child's camp session will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be given for cancellations within 3 weeks of your child's camp session. All cancellations **must be in writing** to the Camp Director.

Can I transfer to a different session?

Yes, if space is available. The fee for transferring a camper to a different session is \$25. Please contact us.

What should my camper bring?

Check out our camp survival guide on our website for more information about camp, what campers should bring, and what you should expect week to week.

Contact us:

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