



Nature Discovery Camp 2017

AGE GROUPS:

Turtle Tots (3 years-5 years) 9am-12:30pm
Arboretum Acorns (3 years-5 years) 1pm-3pm
Explorers (1st grade – 3rd grade) 9am- 3:00pm
Hawks (4th grade – 6th grade) 9am- 3:00pm (select weeks)

June 26 – June 30, 2017:

Watchable Wildlife (Turtle Tots)

The Arboretum is home to flowers, bees, birds, trees and more! We will use our senses to touch, smell, look for, and listen to some of the wildlife that calls the Arboretum home.

Nature Detectives (Explorers, Hawks)

The game is afoot! Channel your inner Sherlock Holmes and investigate some of the mysteries of the woodlands, and answer the “who, what, when, why and how” questions of the Arboretum’s forest.

July 3 – July 7, 2017:

The Amazing Animal Kingdom! (Turtle Tots)

Can turtles really come out of their shells? Why does a raccoon stay awake all night? We will answer these questions and more as we spend our days learning about the wonderfully wild animals of our world.

Dig into Dirt (Explorers)

There’s a treasure trove of life buried below our feet! Together we will investigate the secret life of soil, discover delightful decomposers, and even conduct some soil experiments. Let’s find out how a little bit of dirt never hurt.

July 10 – July 14, 2017:

Wonderful World of Water (Turtle Tots)

From snowflakes to your water bottle water is everywhere! Get ready for a week of water games, studies, and experiments to understand why water is important to all living things

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July 24 – July 28, 2017:

Brilliant Birds (Turtle Tots)

These fine feathered friends are all around us- and have very important jobs. We'll spend our days investigating where birds live, how they move, and answer questions about the tools they carry with them.

Fantastic Fossils (Explorers)

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August 14 – August 18, 2017:

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Survival Games (Explorers, Hawks)

If you were lost in the woods how would you survive? Along with a naturalist-educator, campers will learn basic skills from orienteering to first aid. They'll have a blast putting their new skills to test in our 16 acres of woodlands.

New for 2017: Afternoon Acorns (3 years old-5 years old)

Drop in for an afternoon of creative fun under the "trees" in our brand new exhibit. Students will enjoy a story time with Miss Wendi; colorful, simple arts & crafts; and a chance to expand their nature knowledge. Please bring a healthy snack and be prepared for some outdoor fun. Each week's activities will follow our morning camp themes.

All campers must be able to use the bathroom on their own. Participants in our Summer Camp are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited.

All completed forms and fees are due to the Cora Hartshorn Arboretum two weeks prior to the start of a camp program (including Afternoon Acorns).

A current Family Membership is required for participation in our Nature Discovery Summer Camp.

Registration is now open online at www.hartshornarboretum.org

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