

Natural History Museum of Utah Summer Camp 2017

Have you noticed that your child is a natural investigator?

The desire to explore and ask questions is a part of childhood and is a key ingredient to successful science exploration. Nurturing that natural investigator helps create a lifelong learner and a powerful problem solver.

At NHMU, we strive to inspire a sense of self that empowers authentic explorations, nurtures meaningful relationships, and connects innovative minds with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) investigations.

NHMU Summer Camp brings amazing science- and nature-based camp experiences to your kids. Camps take full advantage of the Museum's exhibits, outdoor spaces, and the natural environment of the foothills. At our camp, your child will:

- ▶ **Explore the natural world from new perspectives**
- ▶ **Put the scientific method into action**
- ▶ **Engage in authentic experiences with Museum staff and specimens**
- ▶ **Make new friends and have fun!**

The Basics

- ▶ Each camp is designed to capture the attention and interest of your child and is targeted for the grade they will enter in the fall of 2017.
- ▶ NHMU Summer Camps run in week-long, half-day or full-day formats.
- ▶ Camp sessions vary in price, depending on grade, length of day, and duration of week. Check individual listings.
- ▶ Partner Camps for children entering 2nd-3rd grades begin at the partner location and end at NHMU, unless otherwise noted.
- ▶ Partner Camps for children entering 4th-5th grades begin at NHMU and end at the partner location, unless otherwise noted.
- ▶ Campers enrolled in full day sessions should bring their own non-refrigerated lunch from home along with a drink. We offer a supervised lunch hour that includes time to explore outside.
- ▶ Campers will receive a reusable water bottle and a camp shirt with their camp registration fee.
- ▶ Visit our Frequently Asked Questions page on our camp website or feel free to contact the Camp Director at programs@nhmu.utah.edu

Summer Camp 2017 Schedule

- Week 1.....June 5 - 9
- Week 2.....June 12 - 16
- Week 3.....June 19 - 23
- Week 4.....June 26 - 30
- Week 5*.....July 5 - 7 (*W-F Only)
- Week 6.....July 10 - 14
- Week 7.....July 17 - 21
- Week 8*.....July 25 - 28 (*T-F Only)
- Week 9.....July 31 - August 4
- Week 10.....August 7 - 11

Camp Fees

Prices vary. See individual listings.

Members receive a Discount, plus Early Registration Opportunity!

- ▶ **Family Members** receive a 10% discount on all camps
- ▶ **Naturalist and Curator Members** receive a 15% discount on all camps
- ▶ **Explorers & Copper Club Members** receive a 20% discount on all camps

Camp Partners

We are pleased to work with several community partners to enrich your child's learning experience this summer.

Visit our website for more information on these partner organizations including drop-off and pick-up locations.

Register Online Now www.nhmu.utah.edu/summercamp

1st Grade

MUSEUM CAMPS

NHMu first grade camps are for children who will enter the first grade in the fall of 2017. Register for a morning or an afternoon session. OR, register for both sessions, making it a full day experience! Time between morning and afternoon sessions will be spent eating a lunch brought from home and exploring outside with Museum staff. Please note that not all school districts begin summer break at the same time—check your school schedule before registering.

Price and duration of camps vary.
See individual listings.

LEGO® Engineering

Partner Camp with Play-Well TEKnologies

Join us for a week of engineering bliss! Mornings will be spent with Museum staff, tinkering with toys, learning about simple machines, exploring with roller coasters, and building marble mazes. Afternoons will be spent under the tutelage of Play-Well staff, developing engineering skills utilizing thousands of LEGO® components while building engineer-designed projects such as boats, snowmobiles, catapults, and merry-go-rounds.

Week 1 • June 5 – 9 • 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. • \$280

Science Kids

Science is awesome! Join us as we investigate several science topics while exploring the Museum using scientific tools and methods. Physics and chemistry days will be chock-full of reactions, exploding color, traveling sound waves, and changes in states of matter. Earth and space science are also on the docket, from magnets to rockets and constellations. We've got an action-packed week of scientific discovery...and all we need is YOU!

Week 2 • June 12 – 16 • 9 a.m. – Noon • \$155

Week 6 • July 10 – 14 • 1:00 – 4 p.m. • \$155

Jr. Naturalists

Partner Camp with Red Butte Garden

Explore the natural world with Red Butte Garden and the Natural History Museum! Spend the first part of the day at Red Butte looking at the Garden up close and personal. We'll get on our hands and knees as we explore the Garden from a new perspective each day, whether from that of an ant or raccoon. While at NHMu each afternoon, we'll investigate the natural processes that surround us from the changing of the seasons and the rock cycle to the growth of plants and the water cycle. Drop camper off at Red Butte Garden by 9 a.m. and pick up at NHMu at 4 p.m.. Campers will be walked from one location to the other during the lunch hour.

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Week 9 • July 31 – August 4 • 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. • \$280

Science of Seuss

Oh, the Places You'll Go during this week of Seuss-filled fun! We'll explore environments with the Lorax and Yertle the Turtle, create oobleck with Bartholomew, investigate similarities and differences with the Sneeches, and study animals—both real and imaginary—with Horton and Gerald McGrew.

Week 3 • June 19 – 23 • 9 a.m. – Noon • \$155

Week 8* • July 25 – 28 (T-F) • 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. • \$125

Space Cadet

Put your scientific skills to the test as you launch into outer space...and beyond! We'll investigate the solar system, make and launch rockets, create models of the planets, explore stars and constellations, and enjoy other spaced-out projects and activities.

Week 3 • June 19 – 23 • 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. • \$155

Week 7 • July 17 – 21 • 9 a.m. – Noon • \$155

Artful Science

Art and science go hand-in-hand in this week of exploration. We'll investigate soil science as we create works of art, investigate plants while creating flower paintings, and go on a color scavenger hunt. Campers will also study engineering and the design process, make magic milk, and explore nature—all for the art of it!

Week 4 • June 26 – 30 • 9 a.m. – Noon • \$155

Week 7 • July 17 – 21 • 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. • \$155

Rhythm Makers

Partner Camp with Tanner Dance

The pulse of a heartbeat, the tempo of raindrops, the cadence of galloping horses; all are natural rhythms that vibrate and encourage us to move and explore. Join us as we investigate the many and varied patterns and rhythms of our surroundings. Tanner Dance staff will join us each day, adding music and movement to our daily experience. Family is invited to join us at the Museum on the last day of each session for a short performance.

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Week 9 • July 31 – August 4 • 9 a.m. – Noon • \$155

Build it BIG

Join us for a week of building bliss! We'll use a variety of materials and tools to investigate size and design while discovering which shapes make the strongest structures. Campers will create gumdrop towers, paper towers and bridges, straw rockets, tinker with toys, and explore with roller coasters and marble mazes as they investigate the engineering design process.

Week 5* • July 5 – 7 (W-F) • 9 a.m. – Noon • \$95

Week 10 • August 7 – 11 • 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. • \$155

Dino Lab

The Natural History Museum of Utah is world famous for its dinosaur research! Come investigate dinosaurs and their Mesozoic world. Explore the differences between meat and plant eating dinosaurs, make dino tracks, learn about new dinosaur discoveries, and get a tour of the Paleontology Lab and Past Worlds Gallery. This camp is sure to excite the dinosaur lover in the family!

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Rock Hounds

Get ready to dig into geology in this rockin' camp! Come explore the rocks, minerals, and processes that make up the Earth. You'll learn what rocks are made of, rock types, and all about the rock cycle! Start your own rock collection and become a rock hound!

Week 6 • **July 10 – 14** • **9 a.m. – Noon** • **\$155**

Bug Out!

Discover the amazing world of insects, snails, earthworms, and more! Study their amazing variety and importance while exploring their life cycles and habitats. You'll also create insect-inspired art and music. You'll "bee" an expert in all things creepy and crawly after this camp!

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