

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

Kindergarten

MUSEUM CAMPS

NHMu Kindergarten camps are designed for children who will enter Kindergarten in the fall of 2017 and who are completely potty trained. Each camp is created using Utah's Early Childhood Core Standards. For our full-day session, 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.

SENSEsational Science

Discover the world around us by using your senses. Every day campers investigate the natural world using one of the five senses to observe and investigate. There will be a variety of hands-on explorations, Museum tours, art projects, and an array of exciting learning opportunities—both inside and outside the Museum.

Week 1 • June 5 – 9 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150

Week 6 • July 10 – 14 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150

It's ALIVE!

Partner Camp with Tanner Dance

This session will have students actively exploring mammals and reptiles (including dinosaurs!), from classification and comparing young with their parents, to understanding what an animal needs to survive, and life-cycles. Campers will investigate the Museum's exhibits, create animal-related projects and artwork all while making new friends and acquiring life-skills in science. Tanner Dance staff will join us each day, adding music and movement. Family is invited to join us on the last day of each session for an informal dance performance.

Week 2 • June 12 – 16 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150

Week 8* • July 25 – 28 (T-F) • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$120

Into the Woods

Partner Camp with Red Butte Garden

A love of nature grows out of a child's frequent contact with the natural world. In the morning, we'll spend time at Red Butte, investigating the many inhabitants of the Garden while using our senses along the way. In the afternoon at NHMu, we'll take time to slow down and actively investigate the plants and natural processes that surround us. Drop camper off at Red Butte Garden by 9 a.m. and pick up at NHMu at 3:00pm. Campers will be escorted from one location to the other during the lunch hour.

Week 2 • June 12 – 16 • 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. • \$275

Under Construction

This camp will provide ample opportunities for children to gain an understanding of force, motion and the properties of materials. Using a wide range of resources in a variety of shapes and sizes, campers will strengthen problem-solving skills as they resolve an assortment of building and puzzle challenges. How can we make a structure balance? How do we make a bridge stronger? How do certain parts go together to make a whole? The possibilities are endless!

Week 3 • June 19 – 23 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150

Week 7 • July 17 – 21 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150

Jr. Detectives

In this camp session, students will utilize the scientific method to explore their world. They'll use scientific tools to observe, collect and interpret data while communicating with others and drawing conclusions. Campers will go on Museum-wide scavenger hunts, explore our Paleontology Lab and participate in many hands-on/minds-on activities as they learn about the world around them.

Week 4 • June 26 – 30 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150

Week 10 • August 7 – 11 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150

Weather Watchers

Join us as we explore our ever-changing seasons, severe weather patterns, temperature, and more! Campers will create shadow and sun print art, tour the Museum's galleries, build rain sticks and weather vanes, investigate how weather affects plant and animal growth, and track daily atmospheric phenomena.

Week 5* • July 5 – 7 (W-F) • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$90

Week 9 • July 31 – August 4 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. • \$150