

Natural History Museum of Utah Summer Camp 2021

Two options, Summer@NHMU and Summer@Home, same great experience!

Have you noticed that your child is a natural investigator?

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

At NHMU, we are committed to cultivating lifelong skills in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) investigations that promote independence, nurture teamwork, and inspire resiliency and innovation while providing time to explore the natural world.

NHMU summer camp experiences at the Museum and at home deliver fantastic science- and nature-based experiences to your kids. Our Summer@NHMU programs take full advantage of the Museum's exhibits and collections as well as the incredible natural environments around our site. Our Summer@Home lineup provides the supplies, the excitement, and the expert facilitation you expect of our programming, all in the comfort of your own home.

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**
- ▶ **Make new friends and have fun!**

The Basics

- ▶ Each program is designed to capture your child's attention and interest and is age appropriate for the grade they will enter in the fall of 2021.
- ▶ Programs run in a full-day, Monday-Thursday format.
- ▶ Sessions vary in price, depending on grade and type of program. Check individual listings.
- ▶ Group sizes are limited, and each class cohort will have designated staff.
- ▶ Screening questions and temperature checks will take place each day before entering the facility.
- ▶ Face coverings will be worn by staff and participants at all times, except when drinking or eating.
- ▶ Physical distance will be maintained at all times while inside and outside the building.
- ▶ Snack and lunchtimes will be provided, but NHMU will not offer food. During these times, cohorts will go outside, and students will maintain physical distancing requirements. Students will remove masks during meals. Participants should bring two substantial snacks and a non-refrigerated lunch from home, along with a reusable water bottle.
- ▶ Scheduled handwashing times will occur throughout the day; hand sanitizer stations are available throughout the Museum.

- ▶ Visit our Frequently Asked Questions page on our website or feel free to contact the Camp Director at programs@nhmu.utah.edu.

Cancellation: If you need to cancel your child's registration, email the Camp Director at programs@nhmu.utah.edu as soon as possible. If we can fill your spot, you will receive a full refund, less a \$15 admin fee. If we cannot fill your spot, you will receive 75% of your registration fee.

COVID-19 Related Refund Policy: If NHMU needs to cancel a program due to a COVID exposure, potential exposure, or contact tracing reasons, program participants will receive a pro-rated refund. For example, if a session is canceled due to a direct COVID exposure on Tuesday, participants will be refunded for Wednesday and Thursday.

Please note that if your child is registered in two back-to-back Summer@NHMU weeks, and a positive COVID exposure is verified and occurs in the first week, your child will not be allowed to attend camp the following week, and you will receive a full refund for this second week.

If camp is canceled due to federal, state, or local health measures due to the COVID-19 pandemic, full refunds will be issued.

Summer Camp 2021 Schedule

Week 1..... June 7 - 10

Week 2 June 14 - 17

Week 3 June 21 - 24

Week 4 June 28 - July 1

No Camp..... July 5 - 8

Week 5 July 12 - 15

No Camp..... July 19 - 22

Week 6 July 26 - 29

Week 7 August 2 - 5

Week 8 August 9 - 12

- ▶ Not all school districts begin summer break at the same time—check your school schedule before registering.

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
- ▶ **Copper Club Members** receive a 20% discount on all camps

Register Online nhmu.utah.edu/summercamp

2nd & 3rd Grade

MUSEUM CAMPS

NHMU second and third grade camp sessions are for students who will enter either of these grades in the fall of 2021. All sessions are offered in a full-day, Monday–Thursday format. We’ll break mid-day and head outside to eat a lunch brought from home. Face coverings with two or more layers of washable, breathable fabric that cover the nose and mouth will be required by all staff and program participants. Be sure to familiarize yourself with our COVID-19 policies and procedures as well as our cancellation and refund information prior to registering for camp. Please note that not all school districts begin and end summer break at the same time—check your school schedule before registering.

Going My Way?

During this week of orienteering investigations, campers will gain a basic understanding of mapping and location. Once these concepts are familiar, we’ll dive into geocaching; learning how to use the equipment and then going on a few geocaching adventures. While we’re outside exploring, we’ll study the flora and fauna that surrounds the Museum. Soil and weather science will also be on the agenda.

Week 1 • June 7 – 10 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

Week 5 • July 12 – 15 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

Art & Mystery Science

This amazing hands-on camp builds upon a child’s natural curiosity as we explore science and art concepts. We’ll investigate color with tile art, batik, and chromatography while creating artwork with shaving cream, marbles, and more! Afternoons will be spent sharpening our observation skills while identifying and lifting fingerprints and shoe prints. We’ll also analyze fibers and extract our own DNA!

Week 2 • June 14 – 17 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

Week 6 • July 26 – 29 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

Science Mash Up

From biology and botany to geology, physics, and chemistry—we’ve got a full slate of amazing hands-on experiences planned. We’ll spend part of our days outside observing and studying webs, nests, plants, and clouds. We’ll also investigate friction with roller coaster designs, circuits with LEDs, and color mixing with salt and shaving cream. We’ve got the fun—all we need is YOU!

Week 3 • June 21 – 24 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

Week 7 • August 2 – 5 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

The Art of Physics

Partner Camp with Clever Octopus

Monday and Tuesday will be spent outside on the Museum’s Terraces with staff from Clever Octopus, Utah’s only creative reuse center, investigating scale with art projects like creating giant flowers, pocket-sized pets, humongous insects, and more—all supplied with recycled items. Wednesday and Thursday will have campers with Museum staff exploring more physics topics such as mass, motion, light, and sound. Drop off and pick up take place at NHMU.

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Rock and Roll, Museum-Style

Calling all rockhounds... have we got a great camp for you! Our week will be loaded with geologic investigations from volcanoes and earthquakes to the rock cycle, erosion, and tectonics. We’ll also spend some time diving into fossils and ancient ecosystems. We may even get the inside scoop on new dinosaur discoveries with tours of our Paleo Lab and collections areas.

Week 4 • June 28 – July 1 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

Week 8 • August 9 – 12 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. • \$310

Things with Wings

Partner Camp with Tracy Aviary

Join us for a week of aeronautical study as we investigate everything that flies, soars, glides, orbits, or floats in the sky from planes, kites and rockets to birds, mammals, and insects! Monday and Tuesday campers will be at Tracy Aviary exploring the world of birds from bone density, beaks, and feet to flight patterns and habitats. Wednesday and Thursday will be spent at the Museum, exploring the forces of flight with activities involving kites, planes, rockets, and more! Drop off and pick up on Monday and Tuesday take place at Tracy Aviary. Wednesday and Thursday will be at NHMU.