

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

4th & 5th Grade MUSEUM CAMPS

NHMU fourth and fifth 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.

STEAM Explorations

Join us for a week of amazing hands-on experiences that focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. Campers will participate in activities with circuits as they construct bridges, towers, and tiny towns. We'll also make tie-dye and batik works of art, investigate slime, explore states of matter, and create chemical reactions. Of course, we'll also find time to visit the Museum exhibits and collection areas.

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

Cache Me Outside

This week will find campers exploring the nature around us. We'll get outside to search for bugs, birds, and plants while also investigating clouds and digging into soil science. While we're out and about, we'll experience the adventure of geocaching; learning how to use the equipment, creating travel bugs, and searching for local caches. Along the way, we'll discover how to utilize iNaturalist, an app that serves a global community for nature observation and identification.

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

Engineering, Electricity & Creative Reuse

Partner Camp with Clever Octopus

Monday and Tuesday will have campers with Museum staff exploring concepts in engineering and electricity through the design and creation of our very own electric-powered tiny town! Wednesday and Thursday will be spent outside on the Museum's Terraces with staff from Clever Octopus, Utah's only creative reuse center, engineering and creating amazing art projects like pencil pouches, woven wall hangings, junk keychains and pins, hammered washer bracelets, and more—all supplied with recycled items. Drop off and pick up take place at NHMU.

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

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

Don't Try This @ Home!

Mornings will be spent unleashing our inner mad scientist as we experiment with dry ice, chemical reactions, and a variety of slimes and quicksand. We'll also erupt mentos geysers, examine microbes, and identify unknown chemicals. Our afternoons will be spent solving mysteries! Campers will analyze fibers along with finger, lip and footprints, and inspect chromatography. Your parents will be so glad you didn't do these investigations at home!

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

Rockets, Wings & Flying Things

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 spent at the Museum, exploring the forces of flight with activities involving kites, planes, rockets, and more! Wednesday and Thursday are at Tracy Aviary exploring the world of birds from bone density, beaks, and feet to flight patterns and habitats. Drop off and pick up on Monday and Tuesday take place at NHMU. Wednesday and Thursday will be at Tracy Aviary.

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