Stony Brook Day Camp

Norfolk, MA

DISCOVER. EXPLORE. BE OUTSIDE!

SUMMER 2019

Mass Audubon CAMPS
OUR CAMP STAFF

We are passionate about sharing the joy and excitement of the outdoors with campers. Year after year, we receive exceptional feedback about our counselors’ creativity and enthusiasm. Staff members are carefully selected for their maturity, caring attitude towards children, and outdoor education and leadership experience. All are first-aid and CPR certified, undergo thorough background checks, and receive training in safety, child development, and natural history.

OUR CAMP DIRECTOR

Marla Cohen is our Camp Director. Marla joined the Mass Audubon family in 1997 and became Stony Brook’s Camp Director and Education Coordinator in 2001. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Zoology from Ohio University. Outside of camp, Marla spends her time developing and teaching nature programming for local schools, scouts, and families.

ABOUT CAMP

At Stony Brook Day Camp in Norfolk, children have the freedom to explore! Campers ages four to 15 discover our wildlife sanctuary’s forest, fields, and wetlands during weekly sessions. Trail explorations, hands-on activities, games, crafts, and more provide full ecosystem immersion for an enhanced learning experience, while small group sizes ensure a welcoming, supportive environment.

A DAY AT CAMP

8:50–9:15 am  Camper drop-off & Choice Time
9:00–9:30 am  Opening Circle and songs
9:30 am–12:00 pm  Activities, exploration, and hikes
12:00–1:00 pm  Lunch and Free Play
1:00–2:30 pm  Campers’ Choice
2:30–3:15 pm  Explorations, hikes, and games
3:15–3:30 pm  Closing Circle and songs
3:30 pm  Camper pick-up
3:30–6:00 pm  Optional After-Camp Program

There’s more to explore at Wildwood, Mass Audubon’s overnight camp in New Hampshire:
- Overnight Camp, ages 9–14
- Wildwood Warblers, ages 7–8
- Teen Adventure Trips, ages 14–17
- Leaders-in-Training, grades 10 & 11
- Family Camp, all ages!

Call 866–627–2267 (toll free) or visit massaudubon.org/wildwood to learn more.
Age-appropriate activities deepen campers’ knowledge and awareness of nature as they return throughout the summer and years. Each one-week session has a different theme to investigate. (See page 3 for weekly themes.)

**HALF-DAY PROGRAM**
9:00 am–12:00 pm | $165 members; $227 nonmembers

**DISCOVERERS** (ages 4–5)
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5
Young children are naturally curious about the outdoors, eager to see a turtle, smell a flower, feel the cool underside of a log, and search for animal homes in the woods. Discoverers are introduced to plants and animals through outdoor explorations, crafts, games, songs, and stories.

**FULL-DAY PROGRAM**
9:00 am–3:30 pm | $275 members; $340 nonmembers

**WANDERERS** (ages 5–6)
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5
Wanderers learn about Stony Brook’s many ecosystems and what may be found within them. Simple observations and investigations build a foundation of interest and desire to learn more in years to come. Wanderers begin their initiation into the natural world through short hikes, hands-on activities, and creative endeavors.

**RAMBLERS** (ages 7–8)
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8
Ramblers conduct ecosystem investigations at Stony Brook. On daily outings, they use their senses to identify familiar species of plants and animals. Ramblers are encouraged to explore their own areas of interest and further develop their social skills as they participate in activities, games, and crafts.

**EXPLORERS** (ages 9–10)
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 10
Explorers study their surrounding environment in depth, learning about complex ecological concepts. This group explores the far reaches of Stony Brook as they participate in activities, games, and crafts.

**COUNSELORS–IN–TRAINING**
(ages 15–17)
Application Deadline: May 23
Fee: $50
Experience the fun, challenges, and rewards of camp as you assist Stony Brook Camp Counselors. Gain valuable leadership skills and participate in the planning of weekly camper activities, such as nature projects, crafts, songs, and games. Please note: an application is required. Contact Camp Director Marla Cohen at mcohen@massaudubon.org or 508–528–3140 ext. 7122.

**AFTER CAMP OPTION**
July 15–August 9 | 3:30–6:00 pm
Fee: $90 members and nonmembers, per week
This optional extended-day program is available to all full-day campers. Participants are provided with a snack and enjoy additional crafts, hikes, or games. Please note: registration is required.

“I can’t imagine sending my child anywhere else. It is exactly what a summer camp should be!”
Weekly Themes (ages 4-10)

**World Traveler**
June 24–28
Put on your travelling gear and explore countries from around the world. Learn about the differences between exotic animals and the ones you see in your own backyard. Be amazed by the adaptations animals use to withstand their surroundings.

**Scales, Slime, & Slither**
July 1–5 (No Camp July 4)
$131/$220 members; $196/$285 nonmembers*
Enter the reptile and amphibian realm: roll logs, look under rocks, and dip-net in the pond in search of turtles, snakes, frogs, and salamanders. *Special half-day/full-day pricing. Please note: camp will not be held July 4.

**Crazy Chemistry**
July 8–12
Channel your inner mad scientist! Explore some crazy chemical reactions that fizz, change color or even glow in the dark. Learn how these reactions occur in the natural world every day. Prepare to be amazed.

**Drip-Drop**
July 15–19
Where does water come from? Where does it go? Take a journey beginning in rivers, lakes, and oceans. Dip-net into the ponds at Stony Brook and discover the critters that make their homes in the wet areas of the sanctuary.

**Shark Jaws & Dino Claws**
July 22–26
It’s Shark Week! Dive into the adaptations and life histories of these fascinating creatures, all the way back to prehistoric times. Dig into the past to unearth the adaptations of some other top predators, from theropod dinosaurs to saber-toothed tigers.

**Crafty by Nature**
July 29–August 2
Use your powers of observation and creativity to find things in nature to turn into art. Explore Stony Brook’s pond, field, and forest to find inspirations for your masterpieces.

**Insectopia**
August 5–9
Antlions, and tiger beetles, and woolly bears, oh my! Explore the fascinating world of the six-legged as we sweep-net, roll logs, and look under leaves in search of insects and other arthropods.

**Rockin’ Party**
August 12–15
From fossils to gemstones, rocks are fun to explore! Make some metamorphic popcorn balls or igneous fudge as you learn about how rocks are formed, and use clay or salt dough to cast your very own fossil.

**Camp Rewind**
August 19–23
What was your favorite part of camp? Did you love the science experiments? Did you want to make just one more gnome home? Do you want to scream “Alligator!” one more time? Then you’re in luck: this is the week you get to plan as we put the entire summer on rewind.
Specialty Sessions (ages 9–15)

Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 10
Delve deeper into art or science with programs designed for older campers. Some sessions include an optional overnight on Thursday.

It’s Art, Naturally (ages 11–13) | July 1–5
$310 members; $375 nonmembers*

Be inspired by the natural beauty at Stony Brook. Using drawing materials, cardboard, papier-mâché, and recycled and found objects, create functional and decorative masterpieces of all shapes and sizes.

*Please note: camp is not held July 4.

Raiders of the Lost Artifact (ages 9–11) | July 8–12
$298 members; $363 nonmembers

Wow, that was close! Watch out as we scavenge Stony Brook to find the lost artifact. It could be gold, beautiful gems or even ancient ruins! You won’t know unless you come for this week packed with excitement and adventure! This program includes an optional overnight Thursday evening. Campers may stay overnight or leave at 10:00 pm, after the night hike, and return Friday morning.

Science on the Sanctuary (ages 11–13) | July 15–19
$275 members; $340 nonmembers

Who knew that studying the ecosystems at Stony Brook could be so fun! Venture into the science behind the sanctuary’s research programs. Activities will include dragonfly mark and recapture, turtle and wetland surveys, biodiversity and conservation-based games, and more!

Nature Magic (ages 9–11) | July 29–August 2
$298 members; $363 nonmembers

Why does skunk cabbage smell? How do fireflies glow? Explore these and other mysteries of the natural world. Make your own magic by creating a glow-in-the-dark fountain and other perplexing potions. This program includes an optional overnight Thursday evening. Campers may stay overnight or leave at 10:00 pm, after the night hike, and return Friday morning.

Get Lost (ages 12–14) | July 22–26
$298 members; $363 nonmembers

Head out to the forest and navigate your way around. Learn to use a compass, make your own treasure map, and learn to survive in the wilderness. At the end of the week put your skills to the test on our orienteering course. Will you find you your way, or will you GET LOST . . . This program includes an optional overnight Thursday evening. Campers may stay overnight or leave at 10:00 pm, after the night hike, and return Friday morning.

Mass Audubon protects 38,000 acres of land throughout Massachusetts, saving birds and other wildlife, and making nature accessible to all. As Massachusetts’ largest nature conservation nonprofit, we welcome more than a half million visitors a year to our wildlife sanctuaries and 20 nature centers. From inspiring hilltop views to breathtaking coastal landscapes, serene woods, and working farms, we believe in protecting our state’s natural treasures for wildlife and for all people—a vision shared in 1896 by our founders, two extraordinary Boston women. Today, Mass Audubon is a nationally recognized environmental education leader, offering thousands of camp, school, and adult programs that get over 225,000 kids and adults outdoors every year. With more than 125,000 members and supporters, we advocate on Beacon Hill and beyond, and conduct conservation research to preserve the natural heritage of our beautiful state for today’s and future generations. We welcome you to explore a nearby sanctuary, find inspiration, and get involved. Learn how at massaudubon.org.

Connect With Us

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**TO REGISTER FOR CAMP:**
Call 508–528–3140 or visit online at: massaudubon.org/stonybrookcamp
Mail or bring this form and payment to:
Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary
108 North Street
Norfolk, MA 02056

**REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION**
A confirmation e-mail containing important documents and information will be sent once your camper’s registration has been processed.

**DEPOSIT**
A nonrefundable deposit of $50/camper/session is required to register for camp. The deposit will be applied to your camp tuition and cannot be transferred to another camper, family or camp location. If registering after May 15, payment in full is required (unless a payment plan has been established with the Camp Director).

**REFUND POLICY**
A full refund, minus the nonrefundable deposit, is provided to camp families who cancel in writing on or before May 15. (Unless a payment plan has been established with the Camp Director). After May 15 no refund is available. Deposits are not transferable, and refunds are not given for participant dismissal, failure to attend, absence or sick days. If we must cancel a session, you will receive a full refund.

**MEMBERSHIP AND DISCOUNTS**
Mass Audubon members at the Family level or above receive a discounted rate. To qualify, your membership must be current through your camper’s last session, and you must be the parent, grandparent, or legal guardian of the camper being enrolled. Membership can be purchased or renewed at the time of registration.

**FINANCIAL AID**
Financial assistance is available based on demonstrated economic need and available funds, and is generally limited to one session per child; however, all applications are considered. Applications are due by April 15. Please call the Camp Director to request an application or download one at massaudubon.org/camp forms.

**PAYMENT PLANS**
Payment plan options are available. Please contact the Camp Director for more information.

**IMPORTANT DEADLINES**
All camp forms, waivers, and the balance of your camp tuition are due by May 15. If registering after May 15, payment in full is required and a specific camp form deadline will be set for you. A camper cannot attend camp and his/her spot is not guaranteed until all forms, waivers, and payments are completed (or a payment plan has been established). A fee of $25 per camper will be charged for incomplete or late forms and waivers.

**CAMPER REQUIREMENTS**
Campers are expected to meaningfully participate in age-appropriate activities, including outdoor exploration and nature study. To ensure a successful camp experience, please discuss any pertinent information regarding your child’s special needs with the Camp Director. We can accommodate on a case-by-case basis in order to establish the best strategy for a great summer camp experience. All campers must follow stated behavior expectations and safety rules. The Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss a camper when, in his/her judgment, the camper’s behavior interferes with the rights of others or the smooth functioning of the group or activity, or violates the camp’s behavior policy. In such cases no refunds will be provided. If you have any questions regarding your child’s ability to participate in our camp program, please contact the Camp Director.

**CAMP LICENSE**
Our camp complies with the regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (105 CMR 430) and is licensed by the Board of Health.

**ACA ACCREDITATION**
We are proud to be accredited by the American Camp Association. Developed exclusively for the camp industry, this nationally recognized program focuses on program quality, and health and safety, management, and camp operations.

**CAMP POLICY REQUESTS**
You may request copies of our background check, healthcare, discipline, bullying, and grievance policies at any time.

**SESSION TRANSFERS**
Sessions transfer requests will be honored if there is space available and if a request is made at least two weeks prior to the session start date, after which time transfers are not permitted.

**BUDDY REQUESTS**
One buddy request per camper will be honored when possible. Both campers must be the same age and both must request each other. All buddy requests must be made in writing at least one week prior to the first day of camp. Please indicate on your registration form if you would like your camper to be placed with a friend of the same age.

**CAMPOUTS**
If your child is participating in a specialty session with a campout, you will receive a packing list by email.

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"We absolutely love this camp and refer others all the time!"

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**Camp Contact Info**

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Norfolk, MA 02056
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Stony Brook Day Camp Registration Form

Register one of three ways:
(1) Call 508–528–3140   (2) Visit massaudubon.org/stonybrookcamp
(3) Mail this form and payment to Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary, 108 North St., Norfolk, MA 02056

Please complete a separate form for each camper. Register online or by phone with a credit card, or mail this form with payment.

Camper
Last Name: __________________________________ First Name: __________________________________ Gender: ________
Street Address: ____________________________ City: __________________________ State: ________ Zip:__________
Birth Date: ___ /___/___ Age as of June 1: _____ Grade as of Sept.: _____ Returning Camper? YES / NO    T–shirt Size: _______

Person Completing This Form
Last Name: _____________________________________________ First Name: _____________________________________
Relationship to Camper: ____________ Phone (Primary): _________________ Phone (Secondary): _________________
E–mail:________________________________ Member #: __________________________
Address (if different):____________________________  City: ____________________________State:________ Zip: ________

Parent/Guardian (if different than above)
Last Name: _____________________________________________ First Name: _____________________________________
Relationship to Camper: ____________ Phone (Primary): _________________ Phone (Secondary): _________________
E–mail:________________________________ Member #: __________________________
Address (if different):____________________________  City: ____________________________State:________ Zip: ________

Payment Method
Check Included OR Credit Card
DISC / MC / VISA #: ____________________________
Exp. Date: __________ Verification Code: ___________
Signature: ____________________________________

“I agree to allow the Massachusetts Audubon Society to charge my credit card in the amount(s) specified above and understand that refunds will only be provided in accordance with the refund policy outlined in this brochure. I have read and agree to the refund policy outlined in this brochure.”

Session Name         Date & Time            Fee
1.___________________________________________________________________________________
2. ___________________________________________________________________________________
3. ___________________________________________________________________________________
4. ___________________________________________________________________________________

BUDDY REQUESTS
Buddy and camper (must be same age/grade. Must be requested by both sets of parents)
Camper: ____________________________________________________________
Buddy: ____________________________________________________________

Payment Information
Total Camp Session(s): $______
Total Before/After Camp Session(s): $______
*Mass Audubon Family Membership if Joining/Renewing ($65): $______
Tax–Deductible Campership Fund Donation: $______
Early Bird Discount: –$______
TOTAL DUE: $______
Amount Paid Today (Min. Deposit $/Camper/Session): $______
Balance Due by May 15: $______

Office Use: Date:_________ Amt:________ Payment type:_________ Initials: _____ Forms Sent? ___
My daughter loved camp. She thinks school should be cancelled, and she should just go to camp year round.