2020
ARCADIA NATURE DAY CAMP
Welcome to Arcadia Nature Day Camp!

At Arcadia Nature Day Camp in Easthampton, children ages 4 to 16 can develop their interest in the outdoors, connect with nature, gain self-confidence, and have the freedom to play in the natural world. Camp takes place at our 700-acre wildlife sanctuary. Featuring protected forests, fields, and vernal pools, it’s the perfect setting to explore a variety of ecological communities. Our programs reveal nature through hikes, games, hands-on activities, wildlife observation, songs, and crafts. Campers spend time discovering special places, meeting new friends, playing games, and having fun outside!

A TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP

**8:45 am** Camper Check-in & Games
**9:30 am** Opening Circle, Daily Nature Theme Introduction, Mystery, & Riddle
**10:00 am** Snack
**10:30 am** Morning Hike & Activities
**12:00 pm** Lunch, Games, & Stories
**12:45 pm** Choice Time (Quiet and Active Options)
**1:45 pm** Theme-Based Activity Time
**2:45 pm** Closing Circle
**3:00 pm** Camper Pick-up
**3:00–4:30 pm** Optional After-Camp Program

OUR CAMP STAFF

Counselors are chosen for their enthusiasm, experience, nature knowledge, sense of both fun and safety, and ability to work with children in an outdoor setting. They are college graduates/professionals or undergraduate students in an environmental or educational field. All staff undergo background checks and are certified in CPR and First Aid.

OUR CAMP DIRECTOR & ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Camp Director Patti Steinman has been part of the Mass Audubon family for 29 years, both as a teacher and an administrator. She has an M.S. degree in Environmental Studies from Antioch University New England. During the camp day, Patti can often be found playing games with the campers, telling stories, or canoeing with the Great Blue Herons, identifiable by her ever-present bear hat.

Kim Hoff is starting her second year with Mass Audubon as a Teacher Naturalist and Assistant Camp Director. Before coming to Arcadia, she worked for several years with our state parks. Like Patti, Kim has an M.S. degree in Environmental Studies from Antioch University New England. At camp, Kim can be found conversing with campers, singing songs about nature, and emailing campers’ families to keep them informed and up-to-date about Arcadia Nature Day Camp.

**After Camp Option**

**July 6–August 14 • 3:00–4:30 pm**
$110 members and nonmembers, per week

Campers enrolled in our optional After-Camp Program play games, read books, and enjoy crafts. Registration is required and the limited number of spaces fill quickly. To avoid disappointment, you may register for After-Camp at the same time you register for camp.
WOOLLY BEARS • Ages 4–6
June 22–26
$295 members; $360 nonmembers
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5
This half-day camp will introduce your child to the wonders of nature through games, hikes, silly camp songs, and crafts. Each day begins with group circle time and a nature-themed skit, puppet show, or story, followed by a nature hike.

FIREFLIES • Ages 6–12
June 22–26, August 24–28
$355 members; $420 nonmembers, per session
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5 (age 6)
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8 (ages 7 and up)
Campers enjoy hiking, games, and crafts in these mixed age sessions. Each day brings a new and exciting nature theme, such as wildlife, things with wings, or fabulous fungi, which is explored with similar-aged children in the morning, and with a larger group in the afternoon for choice time.

HUMMINGBIRDS • Ages 4.5*–6
One-Week Sessions • June 29–July 3, August 17–21
$340 members; $405 nonmembers, per session
Two-Week Sessions • July 6-17, July 20–31, August 3–14
$565 members; $630 nonmembers, per session
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5
Get to know Arcadia's varied habitats and the plants and animals that inhabit them. Learn about the natural world through hikes, hands-on learning, simulation games, and sensory awareness activities like scavenger hunts and creative play. Create fun crafts using natural objects.

KINGFISHERS • Ages 7–9
One-Week Sessions • June 29–July 3, August 17–21
$340 members; $405 nonmembers, per session
Two-Week Sessions • July 6–17, July 20–31, August 3–14
$565 members; $630 nonmembers, per session
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8
Explore the far reaches of Arcadia, including our much-loved clay pits and stream beds, on daily hikes. Play games and begin to piece together the web of life by understanding the meaning of community on various levels.

GREAT BLUE HERONS • Ages 9–12
One-Week Sessions • June 29–July 3, August 17–21
$355 members; $420 nonmembers, per session
Two-Weeks Sessions • July 6–17, July 20–31, August 3–14
$575 members; $640 nonmembers, per session
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8
Participate in a real research project, such as monitoring vernal pools, digging for and documenting endangered mussel species, or surveying dragonfly or butterfly populations. Hike Mount Tom and explore the Arcadia Marsh via canoe, weather permitting. Campers will need transportation to and from Mount Tom State Reservation on one day each session. Details will be provided prior to camp.

“It was incredible! Our camper didn’t have any complaints. I am so thankful for your organization and all the things it includes. Our kiddo still says “leave no trace” when outside.”

—2019 Camp Parent
SPECIAL INTEREST SESSIONS

Full Day
9:00 am-3:00 pm

ART CAMP • Ages 10–14
July 6–10
$390 members; $455 nonmembers
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8
Discover your inner artist as you create watercolor paintings, sculptures, and drawings. Hike the trails of Arcadia using an artist’s eye to observe nature and play some games along the way.

PHOTOGRAPHY CAMP • Ages 10–16
July 20–24, August 3–7, August 10–14
$380 members; $445 nonmembers, per session
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 10
Learn how to use a digital camera to take awesome nature photographs and create your own nature journal. Hike the trails and paddle the waters of Arcadia. Review your images with fellow campers, learn photography tips and techniques, and play a few camp games.

WILDERNESS CAMP • Ages 10–14
July 6–10, July 13–17
$380 members; $445 nonmembers, per session
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8
Learn hands-on wilderness skills such as fire and shelter building, wild edible foraging, and cordage (natural rope making). Play games to sharpen your awareness and be in tune with the natural world. Thursday, arrive at 3:00 pm and stay till 9:00 pm to enjoy dinner by a fire, storytelling, and a night hike.

COUNSELORS-IN-TRAINING
Ages 14–16
Application Fee: $95*
Counselors-in-Training (CITs) gain valuable leadership skills while assisting camp counselors in conducting activities. Please contact Kim Hoff to request an application at khoff@massaudubon.org. Applicants will be interviewed and notified of acceptance. *Fee is waived for returning CITs (formerly called Naturalists-in-Training).

There’s more to explore!

Mass Audubon’s overnight camp in New Hampshire
• Overnight Camp, ages 8–14
• Wildwood Warblers, ages 7–8
• Teen Adventure Trips, grades 9–12
• Environmental Leadership Program, grades 10–11
• Counselors-in-Training, grade 12
• Family Camp, all ages!

Visit massaudubon.org/wildwood or call 866-627-2267 to learn more and register.
## 2020 Schedule at a Glance

Register online at massaudubon.org/arcadiacamp

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*After-Camp available July 6–August 14, 3:00–4:30 pm

She loved playing Predator/Prey and Ponding and Fielding. And, she loved her counselors!

My child was so excited about all of the nature facts he learned each day. He would say things like ‘do you know the five characteristics of a habitat? Well, I do.’ He also loved the games each session and spending time with new friends.
TO REGISTER FOR CAMP
Call 413-584-3009
Visit massaudubon.org/arcadiacamp
Mail or bring the attached form and payment to: Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary 127 Combs Road Easthampton, MA 01027

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

DEPOSIT
A nonrefundable deposit is required to register for camp: one-week sessions, $50/camper/session and two-week sessions: $100/camper/session.

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 bookkeeper).

REFUND POLICY
A full refund, minus the nonrefundable deposit, is provided to camp families who cancel in writing on or before May 15. No refund is available after May 15. Deposits are not transferable, and refunds are not given for participant dismissal, failure to attend, absence, or sick days. If you must cancel a session, you will receive a full refund.

MEMBERSHIP & 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 financial need and available funds, and is generally limited to one session per child; however, all applications are considered. Applications are due by May 1. Please contact Camp Registrar Marilyn Castriotta at 413-276-7612 or mcastriotta@massaudubon.org to request an application, or download one at massaudubon.org/campforms.

PAYMENT PLANS
Payment plan options are available. Please contact Camp Registrar Marilyn Castriotta for more information: mcastriotta@massaudubon.org or 413-276-7612

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 $20/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 behavioral expectations and safety rules. The Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss a camper when, in 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, Patti Steinman, at 413-276-7614

CAMP LICENSE
Our camp complies with the regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (105 CMR 430) and is licensed by the Easthampton and Northampton Boards 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, health and safety, program 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
Session transfer requests will be honored if there is space available and if a request is made at least two weeks prior to your camper’s session start date, after which time transfers are not permitted.

CARPOOL REQUESTS
If you would like to be added to the carpool list, please check the appropriate box on your registration form and your information will be shared with other interested families. Carpool lists will be distributed a week prior to your camper’s session start date.

CAMP CONTACT INFO
Patti Steinman, Camp Director
Arcadia Nature Day Camp
127 Combs Road • Easthampton, MA 01027
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Complete a separate form for each camper.
Please verify that the session you want still has openings before mailing us your payment.

CAMPER
Name ____________________________________________
Gender __________________________________________
Street Address ____________________________________________
City __________________________ State ____________ Zip ____________
Birth Date __________________________ Age as of June 1 __________________________
Grade as of September 2020 _______ Returning Camper? YES / NO
Session Codes (e.g. FF1, GBH2) __________________________

PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM
Name ____________________________________________
Relationship to Camper ____________________________________________
Member # __________________________ Add to Carpool List? YES / NO
Phone 1 __________________________ Phone 2 __________________________
Email ____________________________________________
Address (if different) ____________________________________________
City __________________________ State ____________ Zip ____________

PARENT/GUARDIAN (if different from above)
Name ____________________________________________
Relationship to Camper ____________________________________________
Member # __________________________ Add to Carpool List? YES / NO
Phone 1 __________________________ Phone 2 __________________________
Email ____________________________________________
Address (if different) ____________________________________________
City __________________________ State ____________ Zip ____________

PAYMENT INFORMATION
Total Camp Session(s): $________
Total After Camp Session(s): $________
*Mass Audubon Family Membership if Joining/Renewing ($65): $________
Tax-Deductible Campership Fund Donation: $________
TOTAL DUE: $________
Amount Paid Today (Minimum Deposit $/Camper/Session): $________
Balance Due by May 15: $________

PAYMENT METHOD
Check Included OR Credit Card
Please make check payable to: Mass Audubon
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.”

KIDS TO CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND
DETAILS AT massaudubon.org/kidstocamp

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Mass Audubon protects more than 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 nature centers. Today, Mass Audubon is a nationally recognized environmental education leader, offering thousands of camp, school, and adult programs. With more than 135,000 members and supporters, we advocate on Beacon Hill and beyond, and conduct conservation research to preserve the natural heritage of our beautiful state. We welcome you to explore a nearby sanctuary, find inspiration, and get involved. Learn how at massaudubon.org.