

# **2025 Summer Camp Brochure**

## 2 ½-3 Years old with Adult - Audubon Toddler Camp

These four-day camps are a wonderful way to experience summer side-by-side with your child and prepare them for future preschool experiences. Each day will feature free play, art, songs and stories, and a special hike out on the trails that is just the right length for little legs. We require that these camps have a one-child to one-adult ratio.

## **Nature Play**

## Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 | 9:30am-11:30am

Get ready to play outside! Splash in the puddles, make recipes with mud, watch bubbles float over the treetops, dig in the sand, and even hold a worm. There is so much for young children to do and explore outdoors.

Members \$175 | Non-Members \$210

#### Over in the Pond

#### Monday, July 7 - Thursday, July 10 | 9:30am-11:30am

Jumpy frogs, dabbling ducks, and colorful dragonflies await us as we get a close-up experience of the ponds.

Members \$175 | Non-Members \$210

#### **Rainbow Colors**

## Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24 | 9:30am-11:30am

Yellow sunflowers, red Cardinals and green frogs are just a few of the colorful plants and animals we find in nature. Where will you find your favorite color?

Members \$175 | Non-Members \$210

#### Who Lives Here?

## Monday, August 4 - Thursday, August 7 | 9:30am-11:30am

Who lives in the forest? Who lives in the prairie? Come hike with us as we discover what animals live in each habitat at the Nature Center.

## **Three-Year-Old Play Group**

#### Enriching classes designed for children three years old to attend camp independently.

This four-day camp is designed especially for three-year-olds to experience extended sensory play time in our Gardens Outdoor Classroom. Children will also enjoy songs, stories, and handson activities. **These classes do not hike.** Children must be age 3 by June 1, 2025, and fully pottytrained before camp begins. No pull-ups or diapers allowed.

#### Nature's Playground

## Monday, June 23 - Thursday, June 26 | 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Playing in nature is fun and enriching for young children. Your little one will spend the day jumping in puddles, balancing on logs, and finding fun, safe, and creative ways to enjoy nature's playground! We will play and explore as we learn social and emotional skills to prepare your little one for preschool.

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### Birds of a Feather

## Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17 | 9:30 am - 11:30 am

We'll use our eyes and ears to discover the world of birds as we engage in bird themed activities, songs, and stories with plenty of time to play and explore as we learn social and emotional skills to prepare your little one for preschool.

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### **Water Wonderland**

## Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 | 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Water: it cools us, nourishes us, and is so much fun to play with! Pour, fill, splash, mix it into mud, and create rainbow bubbles all using this magical resource. Be ready to get messy and have fun doing it! Explore water themed activities, songs, and stories with plenty of time to play as we learn social and emotional skills to prepare your little one for preschool.

## **Nature School Camp**

## Four-day camps designed for children 4 and 5 years old

Each camp includes hiking, playing, hands-on activities, and exploration. Children must be age 4 by

June 1, 2025, and fully potty-trained before camp begins.

#### Nature's Kitchen

Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 | 9:15 am - 11:45 am Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Come and spend a wonderful week getting messy while cooking up funny, muddy treats! We'll make mud pies and stone soups, construct nature salads and "pinecone upside down cake," and even write our own recipe books. Be prepared for mud-licious fun, without actually eating the mudpies.

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

## **Fairy House Building**

Monday, June 23 - Thursday, June 26 | 9:15 am - 11:45 am Monday, June 23 - Thursday, June 26 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Children have been crafting fairy houses for hundreds of years. This camp blends nature-play with arts and crafts. Some stories and folklore about fairies and other enchanted creatures will be included.

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### **Summer at the Ponds**

Monday, July 7 – Thursday, July 10 | 9:15 am - 11:45 am Monday, July 7 – Thursday, July 10 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

The ponds in summer are bursting with life and every stop at a pond brings surprises: frogs and tadpoles, turtles and muskrats, or ducklings and dragonfly nymphs. Come explore some of the diverse pond habitats at the Center through hands-on ponding experiences. You never know what you will observe!

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### **Storybooks and Animal Nooks**

Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17 | 9:15 am - 11:45 am Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

This camp celebrates some of our favorite book characters and fictional locations. Join us as we spend our days reading books, writing, and illustrating our own stories, playing with puppets, and hiking to special spots on the trails where we can let our imaginations soar to create our own stories.

#### **Magical Metamorphosis**

Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24 | 9:15 am - 11:45 am

Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Nature is full of wonder, including the amazing transformation known as metamorphosis. Each day, we will perform the metamorphosis magic trick as we learn how certain creatures such as frogs, dragonflies, and butterflies develop from eggs into adults, in a process that seems almost magical!

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### Splish! Splash! Splunk!

Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 | 9:15 am - 11:45 am Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

This camp is all about having fun with water: we'll scoop it, pour it, and stomp in it as we create art, experiment with bubbles, and see what sinks and what floats. Come prepared to get your hands and feet wet as we splish, splash, and splunk.

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

## **Footsteps in the Wild**

Monday, August 4 - Thursday August 7 | 9:15 am - 11:45 am Monday, August 4 - Thursday, August 7 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Animals leave clues to what they eat, where they have traveled, and where they live. Learn about and search for animal signs in our classrooms and beyond. For our hikes, we'll decide together where our footsteps will lead us as we visit beloved locations like the Squirrel Kitchen, Secret Forest, or Mystery Lake.

## **Nature School Alumni Camps**

# Designed for 3.5 – 5-year-old Schlitz Audubon Nature School students both current (2024/2025 school year) or alumni.

These camps are designed specifically to extend the learning, sense of community, and hiking skills developed during a school year at Nature School. Each camp features extended hikes, cooperative play, themed hands-on activities, and fun! Children must be a current or former Schlitz Audubon Nature School student.

#### **Our Favorite Adventures**

Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 | 9:15am - 11:45am Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Be ready to hike! Join us to explore the many favorite and magical places at the Center! Each day we will head out on the trails far and wide to climb the Challenge Course, pond at Turtle Pond, hike to Lake Michigan, and more!

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

## The Adventures of Chippy the Chipmunk

Monday, June 23 – Thursday, June 26 | 9:15am -11:45am Monday, June 23 – Thursday, June 26 | 12:45pm - 3:15pm

Who is Chippy the Chipmunk? If you come to this camp, you'll find out! Enjoy sending and receiving letters back and forth with Chippy and checking out chipmunk favorite spots on the trails. Discover what chipmunks like to eat, how they spend their days, and learn all about their fun adventures!

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### **Nature Artists**

Monday July 7 - Thursday, July 10 | 9:15am - 11:45am Monday July 7 - Thursday, July 10 | 12:45 pm - 3:15 pm

Many artists take their inspiration from nature. Just like them, we'll create nature-inspired art using materials from nature. We'll spend our days painting "en plein air," creating ephemeral sculptures, exploring loose parts work, and recognizing the beauty that surrounds us. Our studio classroom is all outdoors!

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

## **Ponds, Painting and Poetry**

Monday, July 14 – Thursday, July 17 | 9:15am - 11:45am Monday, July 14 – Thursday, July 17 | 12:45pm - 3:15pm

This camp is the perfect combination of things that Nature School students love: exploring the various macroinvertebrates that live in our ponds, experimenting with a variety of different paints and techniques, (even painting "en plein air"), and writing and listening to seasonal poems about the phenology of what is happening at the ponds.

#### **Adventures of Captain Rainbow Beard**

Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24 | 9:15am -11:45am Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24 | 12:45pm - 3:15pm

A mapping extravaganza! Be ready to hike as we follow a map and clues left by the friendly Schlitz Audubon pirates and their captain, Rainbow Beard, to search the trails in all directions. Perhaps X marks the spot where treasure is hidden.

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### **Audubon Guardians**

Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 | 9:15am - 11:45am Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 | 12:45pm - 3:15pm

This camp focuses on learning how to protect the place we love: Schlitz Audubon. We'll identify invasive plants and animals, learn about native plants and pollinators, and monitor the diversity of our ponds. We'll get our hands dirty as we learn the science of what it takes to care for the land and monitor its inhabitants.

Members \$180 | Non-Members \$215

#### Herp, Herp, Hooray

Monday, August 4- Thursday, August 7 | 9:15am - 11:45am Monday, August 4- Thursday, August 7 | 12:45pm - 3:15pm

Herps is short for herptiles: reptiles and amphibians. Nature School students love to meet and learn more about all the frogs, turtles, snakes, and salamanders we find on the land. We'll take time each day to meet a different resident Animal Ambassador and learn more about their care.

# **Entering 1st grade**

#### **Reptile Round Up**

Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 | 9:00 am-11:45 am Monday, June 16 - Thursday, June 19 | 12:30pm-3:15pm

Reptiles are an important part of the world. What makes them so special? We'll spend the week meeting the resident reptile Animal Ambassadors and looking for their wild counterparts to learn about their special adaptations for life in the wild.

Members \$185 | Non-Members \$220

#### **Wild Kidds: Cool Critters**

Monday, June 23 - Thursday, June 26 | 9:00am-11:45am Monday, June 23 - Thursday, June 26 | 12:30pm-3:15pm

Have you ever imagined what it would be like to experience never-before seen wildlife moments, asking yourself "what if?" Based on the popular TV show Wild Kratts, we'll go on adventures, encountering incredible wild animals. Every day we will watch a 25-minute themed episode inside to discover a new creature and their awesome creature power before heading out on our trails to explore. See you on the creature trail!

Members \$185 | Non-Members \$220

#### **Wacky World of Water**

Monday, July 7 - Thursday, July 10 | 9:00am-11:45am Monday, July 7 - Thursday, July 10 | 12:30pm-3:15pm

Water flows through and around every one of us and we can't live without it. Come explore four great days of water fun with us. From the shore of Lake Michigan to the muddy edges of the ponds, we'll discover, experiment, and play. We'll meet live animals, catch some pond creatures, and play some fun water games. Come and enjoy a wacky week of water!

Members \$185 | Non-Members \$220

#### **Fantastic Four**

Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17 | 9:00am-11:45am Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17 | 12:30pm-3:15pm

Fantastic Four! Enjoy four memorable days of summer camp with us. Want to explore the ponds or climb a 60-foot tower? So do we! How about ponding, beach exploration, water play, and making s'mores. We love doing that too! We'll hike to fun and exciting places. Expect to have fun, get a little dirty and make new friends. Did we mention you'll meet some animal friends?

#### **Storybook Adventures**

Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24 | 9:00am-11:45am Monday, July 21 - Thursday, July 24 | 12:30pm-3:15pm

Travel the trails with our custom animal-themed story coloring books! You'll receive a different story each day and hike around the property following the animal's adventure that takes place in the story. At the end of your journey, you'll get to meet the animal ambassador that the book is based on!

Members \$185 | Non-Members \$220

#### **Audubon: Over and Under**

Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 | 9:00am-11:45am Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 | 12:30pm-3:15pm

Based on the popular book series, we will spend the week exploring over, under, above, below, and all over Schlitz Audubon Nature Center! After reading about a new habitat each day, we'll explore what animals and plants can be found there through hands-on discovery. We'll even compare some of our Wisconsin habitats to those from other parts of the world! Members \$185 | Non-Members \$220

#### **Artist in the Wild**

Monday, August 4 - Thursday, August 7 | 9:00am - 11:45am Monday, August 4 - Thursday, August 7 | 12:30pm -3:15pm

Let's take a step further into nature and become artists in the wild! We'll explore different habitats while learning what makes them unique, and creating artwork inspired by the plants and animals that live there.

Members \$185 | Non-Members \$220

#### A to Z: Insect Alphabet

Monday, August 11 – Thursday, August 14 | 9:00am - 11:45am Monday, August 11 – Thursday, August 14 | 12:30pm - 3:15pm

We'll work our way through the alphabet as we examine ants, beetles, yellow woolly bears, zebra swallowtails, and all the insects in between, in this fun filled week. You'll view insects up close, visit their homes in the forest, field and water, and discover amazing facts about them. Can you name an insect that starts with the letter X?

# Entering 2nd-3rd Grade

#### **Nature and LEGOs**

## Monday, June 16 - Friday, June 20 | 9:00am-12:00pm

Spend the week exploring nature and constructing amazing LEGO creations! Begin each day by investigating a different Audubon habitat or meeting a live animal. Following a hike, we'll use what we observed in nature to complete a LEGO building challenge.

Members \$210| Non-Members \$245

#### Wild Kidds: Fierce Fauna

## Monday, June 16 - Friday, June 20 | 9:00am-12:00pm

Have you ever imagined what it would be like to experience never-before seen wildlife moments, asking yourself "what if?" Based on the popular TV show Wild Kratts, we will go on adventures encountering incredible wild animals. Every day we will watch a 25-minute themed episode inside to discover a new creature and their awesome creature power before heading out on our trails to explore. See you on the creature trail!

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Hawkwarts**

## Monday, June 16 - Friday, June 20 | 12:30pm-3:30pm

Calling all young muggles! Hawkwarts: School of Magic and Mystery is now enrolling. Find us through Platform 9 ¾. Meet some of Hedwig's feathered friends. These powerful creatures will be our guides as wizards and muggles alike explore the enchanted forests and fields in search of their homes. Leave the Muggle world behind and join us on this magical raptor experience with daily hikes, games, and crafts.

Members \$220 | Non-Members \$255

#### **Space Explorers**

#### Monday, June 23 - Friday, June 27 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Explore the solar system at Schlitz Audubon! Each day, we'll learn about distant planets, discover the stories behind the constellations, and perform our own scientific experiments. Find out what skills you need to survive in space, discover a new planet, or operate astronomic technology.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Following Fairy Friends**

## Monday, June 23 - Friday, June 27 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Frolic through the forests in search of fairies and their friends. Let's build fairy houses, make stellar wands, and create mystical potions. Each day we will learn about a magical friend and visit them in their habitat. Bring your wings and flutter around at Schlitz Audubon!

#### Fire and Ice

#### Monday, June 23 - Friday, June 27 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Join your teachers/amateur volcanologists on a trip back in time to discover how the glaciers and volcanic fires shaped our planet earth. We will comb the beach, collect rocks and fossils, examine the rock cycle, make an active volcano, blast off rockets, and perform experiments with a cool substance called glurch. Get fired up for a cool summer explosion of fun and games.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### Bird is the Word

## Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11 | 9:00am -12:00pm

Who's that by the birdfeeder? Birds brighten up the world around us, bringing color and song wherever they go. We will discover the secrets of our feathered friends, create our own bird feeders, and design crafts meant to keep our skies wild and free. Get ready to take flight and soar over Schlitz Audubon.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

## **Nature's Mightiest Heroes**

#### Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

It's a bird, it's a plane, NO! It's Owl-man, the Schlitz Audubon's own superhero!! Join this camp to make and portray your own hero with your own powers! While we get into costume, we'll learn about the inspiration behind some of the most iconic superheroes like Hawkeye and Spider-man.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Insect Investigators**

#### Monday, July 14 - Friday, July 18 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Join us on our journey to investigate underground for the insects that we couldn't live without. Through ponding, flipping logs, and insect netting, we'll keep a record in our nature journal of invertebrates. We'll also work towards making our own entomology collection through our drawings and learn how to pin an insect to take home!

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Dig into Dinos!**

#### Monday, July 14- Friday, July 18 | 12:30pm-3:30pm

Dig into dinosaurs with our raptor ambassadors! Our understanding of dinosaurs progresses as we discover more and more. We will spend the week exploring dinosaur traits, practicing evidence-based paleontology, and meeting the surviving relatives of dinosaurs: modern birds!

#### Game on at Audubon!

#### Monday July 21 - Friday, July 25 | 9:00am-12:00pm

Let the games begin at Schlitz Audubon – you won't be "board" in this camp! Play a variety of board games, card games, yard games, and other camp classics like charades with different options each day. In addition, we'll be doing our favorite nature activities like ponding, hiking, and visiting Lake Michigan! By the end of the week, everyone will have discovered their favorite new game to play.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Winged Wonders**

## Monday, July 21 - Friday, July 25 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Calling all raptor fans! Join us for the week as we explore what characteristics make a raptor a raptor. Each day we will meet live ambassador raptors and will learn about each species' survival skills through crafts, activities, and games.

Members \$220 | Non-Members \$255

#### **Nature's Treasures**

## Monday, July 28 - Friday, August 1 | 9:00am -12:00pm

Treasure isn't just hidden under an X on a map, it is all around us! This week, explore the ponds, beaches, forests, and more to learn about the plants and animals that live there. Each day, we'll read our map to help lead us on our adventure to find interesting trinkets to put in our very own treasure boxes to take home!

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Naturalympics**

#### Monday, July 28 - Friday, August 1 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Let the nature games begin! We will spend the week doing a series of Audubon challenges such as a scavenger hunt, creature ID in Mystery Lake, trivia, and more! Working in teams, you'll get to decide your own banners, names, and anthems to use throughout the week. Join us to see which teams conquer the Audubon challenges.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Fossils and Bones**

#### Monday, August 4 - Friday, August 8 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Join us on our journey to investigate the fascinating world of fossils and bones. During the week we'll dissect owl pellets, conduct our own dinosaur dig, look at real animal skulls and more! We'll even have the chance to create our own fossils to take home.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Mythology at Audubon**

## Monday, August 4 - Friday, August 8 | 12:30 - 3:30pm

Journey to the ancient world of Greek mythology right here at Schlitz Audubon! Each day we will learn the stories of mythic figures like Zeus, Artemis, and Poseidon, hike to locations related to each god or goddess, and play games or complete challenges of epic proportions. Prepare yourselves, young heroes!

#### Wonderland

## Monday, August 11 - Friday, August 15 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Fall down the rabbit hole and join us for some mad adventures! Stroll through the flowers and find caterpillars, walk along the beach with the Walrus and the Carpenter, and have a mad tea party. Each day will be curiouser and curiouser!

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Fantastic Five**

## Monday, August 11 - Friday, August 15 | 12:30-3:30pm

Enjoy five memorable days of summer camp with us. Climb the tower, catch frogs in Mystery Lake, and explore the beach of Lake Michigan and find treasure of beach glass and fossils. Meet some of the center's animals up close and make new friends while spending five fantastic days at Schlitz Audubon.

# Entering 4th-6th Grade

#### **Fantastic Audubon Beasts**

#### Monday, June 16 - Friday, June 20 | 9:00am -12:00pm

Dive into the magical world of creatures at Schlitz Audubon. Young witches and wizards receive their wands, quills, and parchment while searching for creatures around the property to document them, just like the famous Magizoologist, Newt Scamander.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### Gotta Catch 'Em!

## Monday, June 16 - Friday, June 20 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Gotta catch 'em all at Schlitz Audubon! Discover real-world Pokémon and register them in our pokédex. We will identify strengths and weaknesses of the different types each day and by the end of the week, campers will create their very own Pokémon. It is optional that campers can bring along their Pokémon GO games, but it will only be played at certain specified times.

# Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### Fire and Ice

## Monday, June 23 - Friday, June 27 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Join your teachers/amateur volcanologists on a trip back in time to discover how the glaciers and volcanic fires shaped our planet earth. We will comb the beach, collect rocks and fossils, examine the rock cycle, make an active volcano, blast off rockets, and perform experiments with a cool substance called glurch. Get fired up for a cool summer explosion of fun and games.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Talon Trek**

#### Monday, June 23 - Friday, June 27 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Delve deep into the world of raptors – birds of prey! Spend the week learning about these specialized predators through bird meet ups, games, and activities. Campers will get an introduction to training, care, and enrichment of the Center's resident birds and get an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at the Schlitz Audubon Raptor Facility.

Members \$220 | Non-Members \$255

#### **Junior Ornithologist**

#### Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Ever wonder what makes owls so stealthy or how Cowbirds got their name? Join us in unlocking the secrets behind Wisconsin's native birds and their many adaptations. We'll create our own birding journals, develop skills to find and observe birds, and learn about our favorite birds and how we can help protect them. Grab your favorite binoculars, field guides, and water bottles and let's go birding at Schlitz Audubon!

#### **Astro-Adventures**

#### Monday, July 14 - Friday, July 18 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Explore the solar system at Schlitz Audubon! Each day we will learn about distant planets, discover the constellations we can see from our hemisphere, build, and launch our own rockets, create a scale model of our solar system, and operate a telescope.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Marvelous Mammals**

## Monday, July 21 - Friday, July 25 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Explore the unique adaptations of the magnificent mammals found here in Wisconsin. Learn about mammal characteristics, search for mammals in the wild, write in nature journals, and more! At the end of the week, you'll be able to take your nature journals home to make future mammal memories.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Nature's Gamers**

#### Monday, July 28 - Friday, August 1 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

If you're a gamer, this is the camp for you! Nature's Gamers offers a glimpse of how video game themes and nature can be combined. Game-inspired days like Minecraft Monday and Fortnite Friday will have you playing in real life! We won't be on devices, but we're sure to have fun with all the activities!

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Animated Nature**

#### Monday, July 28 - Friday, August 1 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Create a feature stop-motion video with nature as your inspiration! We will create our own stories and characters during the week after learning about different animation styles. Most of our time will be spent inside filming our movies. Friday will feature a movie premiere for your families to enjoy your film. Let the magic of animation inspire your summer!

#### **Lord of the Tree Rings**

## Monday, August 4- Friday, August 8 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Inspired by Tolkien's legendary works, join us as we go on our own epic quest to acquire the one tree ring to rule them all. Journey through new lands, and be the Ranger, Dwarf, Wizard, Elf, or Hobbit you've always wanted to be. Through prairie, forest, and pond, learn the skills of the Fellowship to aid you and your fellow adventurers in your epic quest to be the lord of the tree rings.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Schlitz Audubon: Animal Crossing**

#### Monday, August 4 - Friday, August 8 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Come visit a very special Animal Crossing Island in real life! We'll spend the week filling our Critterpedia by catching bugs, ponding, and searching for animals all around us. We'll also work on our museum collection, discovering fossils for Blathers on our beach! Isabelle will provide us with some unique DIY recipes for building tools and items. Along the way, we'll meet the animal villagers that call this island home. We won't be playing on our devices, but we are sure to have fun with all the activities planned!

# Entering 6th-8th Grade

#### **Nature's Chocolate Factory**

## Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11 | 9:00am -12:00pm

Get the golden ticket and sink your teeth into the natural world of chocolate! Spend time indoors creating a nature scene out of fruit gummies, cotton candy, and plenty of chocolate! As our treats set, we'll explore the plants and animals' preferences in treats in their habitats and discover the Oompa Loompas who will give us more insight into their edible world. (Please note that campers will be working directly with food products during this camp, so take food allergies and dietary restrictions/choices into consideration.)

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Creature Care 101**

## Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11 | 12:30pm - 3:30pm

The Center is home to many animals that make up our Animal Ambassador Teaching Team, including snakes, turtles, salamanders and more! Now you can experience first-hand what it takes to care for these animals, and how we train them to interact with people. Working indoors most of the week, you will prepare diets, clean enclosures, and learn safe animal handling techniques. Your new skills will be put to the test as you are given the opportunity to teach the other camp groups, and even your parents, about these animals.

Members \$220 | Non-Members \$255

#### **Naturalist in Training**

# Monday July 14 - Friday July 18 | 12:30pm-3:30pm

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a teacher? You'll get a behind the scenes look at how to be an environmental educator at a nature center! Learn the basics of reptile handling and interpretation, plant and animal identification, canoeing, and public speaking. Professionals will also share how they became a naturalist and insight into the future of the field. After a week of guided hikes, games, and activities, you will get to lead your own interpretive nature activity for your friends and family on a Friday guided hike!

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Science of Creativity**

#### Monday, July 21 - Friday, July 25 | 12:30pm-3:30pm

Explore the sciences and incorporate them into art! Throughout the week you'll participate in a variety of STEAM (science-technology-engineering-arts-science) projects based on different topics. Some of the projects include making natural dyes out of plants, spinning wool fibers into yarn, and tracking phenology in your own nature journal.

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

#### **Wilderness Survivors**

#### Monday, August 4 - Friday, August 8 | 12:30pm-3:30pm

What skills do you need to survive in the wilderness? Practice fire building, shelter construction, and many more outdoors skills. From beach to forest, you'll develop the expertise necessary to survive in a variety of environments.

#### **Audubon Academy of Arts**

## Monday August 11 - Friday, August 15 | 9:00am-12:00pm

Calling all artistic creators! Using nature as our inspiration, we'll write poetry and stories, create illustrations and art, and perform. We'll explore our various habitats through a variety of activities, games, and crafts. By the end of the week, you will be part of writing, illustrating, and acting out short stories about nature!

Members \$210 | Non-Members \$245

## **Audubon Quest**

#### Monday August 11 - Friday, August 15 | 12:30-3:30pm

Welcome to the quest of the whimsical world of Audubon! Create a character and step into the magic of nature that surrounds us. Unlock new skills to level up in your journey to take on new nature related challenges. You will be gaining knowledge, skills and clues each day that will prepare you for your final quest.

# Entering 7th-12th grade

#### **Raptor Trainer 101**

Monday, June 16 – Friday, June 20 | 9:00am-12:00pm Or

## Monday, July 14 - Friday, July 18 | 9:00am-12:00pm

Registration priority for this popular camp will be given to campers who have not been previously enrolled in Raptor Trainer 101.

Just for older kids, this camp will get you working and caring for our resident raptors. Campers will learn the basics of captive wildlife care: preparing diets, cleaning enclosures, and making enrichment for owls, eagles, hawks, and falcons. Working with Raptor Educators, they'll also learn animal training skills, have hands-on experiences with the birds, and present an educational program for families!

Members \$240 | Non-Members \$275

## **Raptor Trainer 201**

## Monday, June 23 - Friday, June 27 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Pre-requisite to this camp: participants must have completed Raptor Trainer 101 camp either this year or previous years. Registration priority for this popular camp will be given to campers who have not been previously enrolled in Raptor Trainer 201.

For campers who have had a taste of working with the birds and are hungry for more! You will be actively training our birds, making equipment, prepping food, and doing the tasks required to keep the birds safe, healthy, and enriched. You will learn about careers with animals and advanced ornithology. A hands-on camp, you will spend the entire morning at the Raptor Facility. The last day of camp will highlight what you have learned in a presentation for family and friends.

Members \$240 | Non-Members \$275

#### **Birding Academy**

# Monday, July 7 - Friday, July 11 | 9:00am -12:00pm

Get ready to embark on outdoor adventures as we learn to identify different bird species by their distinct calls, plumage, and behaviors. Equipped with binoculars and field guides, we'll embark on exciting excursions within various habitats and participate in citizen science projects. Through engaging discussions and hands-on activities, you will gain the skills to identify your feathered friends by sight and sound, turning every nature walk into a thrilling birdwatching adventure.

Members \$240 | Non-Members \$275

#### **Working with Wildlife**

## Monday, July 21 - Friday, July 25 | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Calling all critter enthusiasts! Do you want to work with animals when you grow up? You'll meet people in the Milwaukee area that professionally work with animals in many different capacities. Join us to spend time with some of the Center's animal ambassadors, learn about further schooling to consider, practice team building with other animal lovers, and more.