



# SUMMER ZOO CAMP

**June 29-August 20, 2021 | Ages 3-16**

Kids! Looking for something to do this summer? Summer zoo camp is back! Choose from eight fun-filled weeks of hands-on activities, games, crafts and animal encounters at the Rosamond Gifford Zoo!

## **ONLINE REGISTRATION STARTS:**

**Members: April 15, 9 a.m.**

**Non-Members: April 30, 9 a.m.**

For easier registration, make sure your membership information is up to date by creating an account with our new online registration form below.

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## **SUMMER ZOO CAMP SESSIONS.**

### **Ages 3 and 4**

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#### **Wild Wardrobe**

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**\$155 Members / \$175 Non-members**

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#### **Hide-N-Seek**

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**\$155 Members / \$175 Non-members**

**Session 3A: July 12 – 16 / 9 a.m. – noon**

## **All the Big and Small**

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**Session 4A: July 19 – 23 / 9 a.m. – noon**

### **Zoo Tales**

Campers can learn about the zoo counterpart to the animals of some of their favorite books. Campers will tour the zoo, make crafts and meet animals up close in this literary wonder of a camp.

**\$125 Members / \$145 Non-members**

**Session 6A: August 2 – 5 / 9 a.m. – noon**

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### **Wild by Design**

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**\$265 Members / \$285 Non-members**

**Session 1C: June 28 – July 2 / 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

### **Beastly Builders**

Nests, combs, mounds, and bowers. No matter what you call it, animals can build some amazing homes! We'll learn about these animal architects and create some model homes of our own.

**\$265 Members / \$285 Non-members**

**Session 2C: July 5 – 9 / 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

### **Most Extreme Animals**

Do you know which bird is the fastest animal on Earth? Which insect is the best problem solver? Which mammal eats half its body weight in blood? Come explore the animal world's most extreme animals, from bodacious bugs to marvelous mammals in this extreme camp!

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### **Creative Creatures**

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### **Are You Smarter than a Zoologist?**

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### **ZSI**

Your job during this camp, if you choose to accept it, is to become a "Zoo Scene Investigator" and unravel some of the zoo's most intriguing mysteries! Investigate the lives of animals by learning about their behaviors, footprint patterns, different types of scat and other strategies that zookeepers use every day to keep tabs on their animals!

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### **Ages 10 and 11**

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### **Animal Engineers**

Did you know that garden eels dig burrows and Andean bears build nests? Animals build some very elaborate homes. We will learn about them, compare them to ours, and try our hands at creating some of our own!

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### **Care of Magic-Like Creatures**

In this camp you'll become an expert in 'magizoology' as we explore the world of magical creatures! Compare storybook creatures to their real animal counterparts, meet live animals and create your very own book of monsters in this wand worthy camp!

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## **Ages 12-14**

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### **Jr. Zookeepers**

Did you know that most of the zookeepers who work here started their careers with domestic animals? Now you can, too! The skills learned in the contact barn working with animals such as goats and chickens apply across all departments in the zoo, from eels to elephants! Campers will spend their week in the contact barn getting their hands dirty through general animal husbandry activities, trying out their training and enrichment skills, and interacting with the public daily, just like every zookeeper here does! This camp is a work experience and campers should expect to get dirty, hot, sweaty, and smelly as they face the challenges of being a zookeeper. This camp is specially designed for the camper with an animal-related career in mind.

**\$430 Members / \$450 Non-members**

**Session 3BC: July 12 – 16 / 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**\$430 Members / \$450 Non-members**

**Session 4BC: July 19 – 23 / 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**\$430 Members / \$450 Non-members**

**Session 5BC: July 26 – 30 / 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**\$345 Members / \$365 Non-members**

**Session 6BC: August 2 – 5 / 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

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## **Ages 14-16**

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### **Zoo Crew Counselors in Training**

Want to be a camp counselor some day? Love working with children? Our Counselor in Training (CIT) program will give you extensive experience in the organization of camp programs, teamwork, and group management. CITs assist in creating a positive summer camp experience for campers (ages 3-11) by encouraging participation, modeling zoo camp expectations, and assisting campers with skills during activities or crafts. All while learning important leadership and communication skills!

**\$575 Members / \$615 Non-members**

**Session 1ZC: June 28 – July 2 & July 5 – 9 / 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

### **Summer Camp Before & After Care**

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Does your child need to arrive early or stay late? We offer Before & After Care! Morning care runs 8-9 a.m. and evening care runs 4-5 p.m. You may register your camper for one or both sessions. Before & After care is not offered per diem; you must register and pay for the full week. Pre-registration is required- no drop-ins.

**\$50 Before or After per person all week**

**\$75 per person for combined care all week**