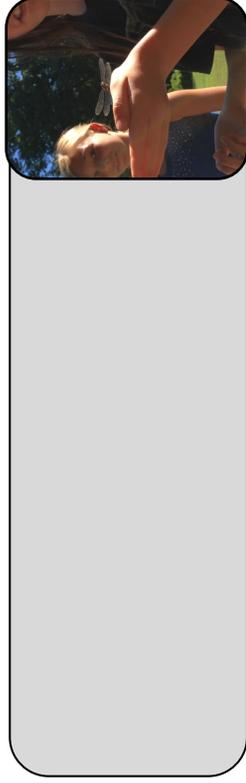
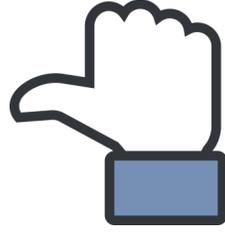


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A Connecticut State Licensed Youth Camp

Welcome to Summer Camp at Audubon Sharon!

Hello campers and parents!

We have another great year of Summer Camp planned with a fun line-up of themed sessions for 2017! Many of the logistics are the same as last year, so here's a review of what is being offered this summer:

- ◆ **Sessions for all age groups, Kindergarten through 6th grade, will be offered each week throughout the entire summer!** Sessions are being offered for K-2nd grade and 3rd-6th grade.
- ◆ **After-care from 3-5pm** (for an additional charge) to make pick up time a little less stressful for working parents.
- ◆ **Online camp registration!** You can register, pay and complete medical forms online and have a confirmation sent to you automatically. We also accept mailed or dropped-off registrations. Spaces are filled on a first come, first served basis and we *cannot* hold spaces over the phone. Visit our summer camp page on our website, <http://sharon.audubon.org/summer-camp-3> for more information or to register. **Camp registration begins March 1st.**
- ◆ **Many brand new themed weeks this year!** We have something for everyone, so check out the descriptions in this brochure!

I look forward to seeing all of the students again this summer and meeting new friends as well! If you have any questions regarding summer camp, please feel free to contact me or check out the summer camp page. See you soon!

Wendy Miller
Summer Camp Director



2017 Camp at a Glance

<u>Session Date</u>	<u>Sprouts (K-2nd)</u>	<u>Explorers (3rd-6th)</u>
June 26-30	Bioblitz Jr.	It's a Bioblitz!
July 3, 5-7	Teeth and Talons	Wild Jobs
July 10-14	Daylight/Moonlight	Wildlife in Focus
July 17-21	Wet & Wild	Beyond the Pond
July 24-28	Creature Power	The Wild Within
July 31-Aug. 4	The Best Nest	Fantastic Birds (and where to find them)
August 7-11	Audubon Go!	Audubon Go!
August 14-18	The Dirt Beneath Our Feet	Hogwarts @ Audubon
July 17-21	Early Childhood Discovery (ages 3-4 with an adult)	

Early Childhood Discovery

3 & 4 year olds accompanied by a parent or guardian
\$110 Audubon Sharon members/ \$155 for Non-members

July 17-21 9:30-11:30am

This "Mommy and Me" type program brings parents (or grandparents) and their young children together to experience the outdoors. Activities and crafts focus on helping parents introduce their children to the wonders of the natural world through the use of their five senses. We'll explore the garden in search of insects and the pond in search of water critters, meet some of the Center's birds and reptiles, read some stories and just have some fun playing games and activities on the front lawn. One or both parents must participate with children during this program.



Summer Camp After-Care

3:00-5:00pm
\$50 per week per camper

After camp care is available for our 9-3 camp sessions. ALL students must be picked up by 5:00pm or an additional \$25 will be charged for that day. Depending on the number of participants, students may participate in activities on the front lawn such as games, crafts and water fun or visit with some of the Center's animals inside the main building. After-care sign ups must be done on the registration form before camp begins.

Online Registration Available

Register, pay and complete paperwork all in one spot and don't stress about whether or not you mailed in that registration!

Visit www.sharon.audubon.org to register!

Sprouts

Campers entering Kindergarten-2nd grade in the fall

\$260 Audubon Sharon members/ \$305 for Non-members

9:00am-3:00pm

Bioblitz Jr.

June 26-30

Do you enjoy searching for critters? If so, then this is the week for you! A Bioblitz is when we find as many different types of animals and plants that we can and record them. We'll search for insects, mammals, birds, flowers, reptiles, amphibians and whatever else we can find! It's all about exploration! How many different species do you think we'll find?



Teeth and Talons

*July 5, 6 & 7 (*three day camp only) \$200/\$245*

Munch, crunch, chew and chomp. Run, paddle, jump and stomp. During this shortened week of camp, we'll have fun learning about teeth and feet as we explore how and what animals eat and how they move. We'll discuss various predator and prey relationships and even get to observe some of the Center's animals as they eat their food.

Daylight/Moonlight

July 10-14

Not all animals go to sleep when the sun goes down. During this week of camp, we'll discuss diurnal (daytime) vs. nocturnal (nighttime) animals and learn where those sneaky nighttime critters hide during the daytime. We'll learn to look for animal clues, learn different sounds we may hear in the night, and even set up some trail cameras to catch those critters in action!

Wet & Wild

July 17-21

Join us for a week of wet water adventures as we play water games on the front lawn, learn about animals associated with all types of water habitats, and search for water critters on the Audubon property. Campers should come to camp prepared to at least get a little wet, and bring a labeled towel, extra set of clothes, and come dressed in a bathing suit or clothes that can get wet and/or dirty.

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9:00am-3:00pm

Creature Power

July 24-28

We're bringing this session back for its second year due to great feedback! Animals have amazing adaptations to help them survive in the wild. We'll explore some of these awesome "powers" as we transform ourselves and "become" the animals. This session is based loosely on the children's PBS hit TV show Wild Kratts. ***Please note the children will be watching a Wild Kratts episode during each day of camp.*



The Best Nest

July 31-Aug. 4

"In a tiny nest at the top of a tall, tall tree lived Little Owl and all his brothers and sisters. 'There's not enough room!' said Little Owl. So, away he flew to find a new home." Based on the children's book "The Best Nest" by Laura Datta and Matt Buckingham, we'll explore various homes and habitats of different critters as we learn all about birds and help our own little bird find a way back to her best nest.

Audubon Go!

August 7-11

Are you a fan of Pokemon Go? Come try out our version, as campers get out and get points in Audubon Go for every animal, plant, rock, or natural target that is the topic of the day! Some creatures are harder to find than you might think! Can you "catch'em all?"

The Dirt Beneath Our Feet

August 14-18

It can be soft or hard, wet or dry, and squishy between our toes! We'll have some fun learning all about (and playing in) dirt during this fun camp session. What is dirt made of? What lives in the dirt? How dirty can one kid get during one day of camp? We'll find out these answers and much more!

Explorers

Campers entering 3rd-6th grade in the fall

\$260 Audubon Sharon members/ \$305 for Non-members

9:00am-3:00pm

It's a Bioblitz!

June 26-30

Are you ready for some blitzin'? A Bioblitz is when we find as many different types of animals and plants that we can and record them. We'll search for, collect, identify and document all kinds of critters found throughout the Audubon Sharon property, such as insects, mammals, birds, flowers, reptiles, amphibians and whatever else we can find!



Wild Jobs

*July 5, 6 & 7 (*three day camp only) \$200/\$245*

Ever wonder what it would be like working in a job that deals with wildlife or nature? During this week of camp, we will explore some of those careers as we learn about (and work with) jobs such as wildlife rehabilitation, bird banding, wildlife conservation officers, environmental education and more. If weather cooperates, we will take a field trip to a kestrel banding site and hopefully band some baby kestrels!



Wildlife in Focus

July 10-14

During this week of camp, learn how to take a great nature photo as we look for details and patterns in all that we see in plants, animals and more! We will learn blind building techniques, how to be as quiet as possible waiting for that perfect shot, and we'll each create a beautiful photography journal with your own photos to take home. Students must bring a digital camera to camp each day.

Beyond the Pond

July 17-21

Everyone loves to dip net in the pond to look for tadpoles, snails, dragonfly larvae and the like, but this camp will take our explorations beyond the pond and focus on stream exploration, water flow and tips to find creatures that live in different areas of the water. If weather cooperates, we will even take a field trip to the Housatonic River to search for macro invertebrates!

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The Wild Within

July 24-28

Is there a wild side within you? Bring it out during this camp session as we learn some basic wild "survival skills" such as orienteering and mapping, trail marking, fire building, shelter building, hiking safety and more.



Fantastic Birds (and Where to Find Them)

July 31-Aug. 4

No magical case is needed to find and document an extraordinary array of "magical creatures" here at Audubon Sharon. If we look carefully, these colorful creatures are all around us. We'll learn how to identify various species of birds, where to find them, dangers that threaten them and what we can do to help rescue these fantastic beasts of the bird world.

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Hogwarts @ Audubon

August 14-18

Ever dream of attending a school like Hogwarts? At Hogwarts @ Audubon, campers will try their hand at classes including "Herbology," "Care of 'Magical Creatures'," and even "Potions." Suitable even for muggles, this camp will connect campers to the natural world with a literary twist.

