



# Summer Adventure Camp



**Up-close encounters with nature, tram rides, fun in the model railroad garden, early check-in and extended checkout, lunch from the Café, the best place for summer fun is at a Lauritzen Gardens Summer Adventure Camp!**

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## Registration and Pricing

[Click here to register](#) or visit [www.lauritzengardens.org](http://www.lauritzengardens.org)

Questions? Call 402-346-4002 ext. 212 or  
email [b.kutsch@omahabotanicalgardens.org](mailto:b.kutsch@omahabotanicalgardens.org)



### SUMMER ADVENTURE CAMP SUPER SALE! Ends Feb. 28

- **Great Price** - Buy one camp at regular price and receive 25% off the regular price of the second camp.
- **Incredible Price** – Buy two camps at regular price and receive the third camp for FREE!

See the “Regulations” section for more sale pricing information.

## Member Pricing

### Camps that meet only at Lauritzen Gardens

- Single-day, Full-day \$50
- Half-day Week \$99
- Full-day Week \$189

### Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium Partner Camps

- Full-day Week \$199
- Single days are not available



## Non-Member Pricing

For membership information, visit <http://www.lauritzengardens.org/Visit/Membership/index.asp>

### Camps that meet only at Lauritzen Gardens

- Single-day, Full-day \$55
- Half-day Week \$109
- Full-day Week \$199

### Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium Partner Camps

- Full-day Week \$209
- Single days are not available

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## Helpful Camp Facts:

- Full-day camp times are 9am-4pm
- Half-day camp times are 9am-12pm or 1-4pm
- Early check-in, extended checkout and lunch from the Café are available for many camp days
- Every camper that registers by May 10<sup>th</sup> is guaranteed a cool drawstring sport-pack with the Lauritzen Gardens Summer Adventure Camp logo (registrants after that date will receive packs while supplies last)
- Summer camps are available for children 4-12 years of age, campers will be divided into appropriate age groups
- While each camp theme can be found within multiple grade ranges, each curriculum is written to fit the ages associated with the camp

## Regulations

### Sale Pricing

Discounts are available when two or more weeks of camp are purchased in a single transaction. The discounted week of camp must be of equal or lesser value to the week or weeks of camp purchased at regular price. Discounts may not be combined with or applied to single-day purchases.

A discount may be applied when weeks of camp are purchased for one child or more than one child (ex: two weeks for one child or one week for one child and one week for a second child).

### Payment

Payment must be received within two weeks of receiving the email confirming a registration a camp reservation. If registration occurs within two weeks of the start date of the desired camp, payment must be processed before the start date of the camp to reserve a place in that camp.

### Cancelations, Transfers and Refunds

If you need to cancel or transfer a camp to another session, email or call as soon as possible:  
[h.saalfeld@omahabotanicalgardens.org](mailto:h.saalfeld@omahabotanicalgardens.org) or (402) 346-4002 ext. 263.

A refund equal to 50% of the purchase price of the camp may be given when the refund is requested a minimum of four weeks before the start of the camp. If a refund is requested within two weeks of camp, no refund will be given. The refund of one or more camps may affect the sale prices charged in the previous transaction, and therefore may affect the refund. In the event that multiple camps have been purchased, and a refund is requested, amounts refunded will begin with the least expensive camp and progress higher in purchase price as needed according to purchases within the same transaction. When possible, Lauritzen Gardens can transfer a camper to another session, although transfer requests are based on availability and cannot be guaranteed.





**Misc.**

Day-of, walk-up registrations may be accepted if space is available, and will only be accepted for week-long camp purchases on the Monday of the camp. A \$5 fee per camper in addition to the registration fee will be added to walk-up registrations.

Lauritzen Gardens reserves the right to alter the age ranges used to create rosters within a single week of camp. Altering age ranges may be used as a method to keep the number of campers in each camp at a safe and manageable amount.



## Camp Schedule and Descriptions

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### Campers may experience:

- Amazing encounters with nature and science, both outdoors and in the classroom
- 100 acres that are home to interesting insects, animals, plants and trains
- Guided tours lead by trained staff or volunteers
- Tram rides, fun activities and more!



### **Gardens Gone Wild** – A Lauritzen Gardens camp

**June 1-5, 15-19, 29 – July 3; July 20-24**

**Available for ages 4-12yrs.**

The garden's 100 acres have gone wild in this uniquely entertaining camp. Campers will journey through wetlands, woodlands, tropics and more encountering more than 25 awesome animal sculptures such as a twelve-foot elephant spraying water and wrestling bears. Campers will learn about habitats, animal and plant adaptations and so much more through cool crafts, engaging hands-on activities, educational games and more.

### **My Big Backyard** – A Lauritzen Gardens camp

**June 8-12, 22-26; July 13-17; August 3-7**

**Available for ages 4-12yrs.**

Animals are building incredible homes, insects are farming their own food, plants are communicating with one another to survive and it's happening all around us. There is a lot more going on in a backyard than you might think. Join the garden for this adventurous camp as campers explore the wild world within the arboretum, woodland trail, rain gardens and more. Campers will have a blast creating crafts, learning about fun facts and discovering nature on a backyard safari!

### **Eco-Rangers** – A Lauritzen Gardens and Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium Camp

**July 6-10 or July 27-31**

**Available for ages 5-12yrs.**

Lace up your eco-ranger shoes and prepare to explore 100 acres of incredible gardens at Lauritzen Gardens, and the amazing exhibits at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium. Campers will discover amazing ecosystems from around the globe to those right here at home, and become better stewards of the planet as they learn about what they can do to help save the plants and animals that call those places home. From birds, to bugs, to sharks, this camp is sure to amaze.



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[Click here for a map of the gardens and its amazing 100 acres.](#)

[Click here to take a narrated video tour of the gardens.](#)



## A Day in the Life of a Summer Adventure Camper – An Example Schedule

This schedule is meant to be used as an example and does not guarantee that a camper will experience everything on this schedule. Morning half-day campers will experience a schedule similar to the one listed below through 12pm. Afternoon half-day campers will experience a schedule similar to the one listed below beginning at 1pm. Not all activities or options listed in the example schedule are available for all camps. See the “Details for a Great Camper Experience” section for more information.

- **8 - 8:45am: Early check-in**

- **8:45 - 9am: Regular check-in**

All campers check-in at designated area then report to assigned teacher.

- **9 - 9:15am: Handout supplies and fill water bottles**

Camp teachers will lead groups to their classroom and begin handing out camp materials.

- **9:15 - 10am: Campers tour a section of the gardens**

Camp teachers will guide campers through a portion of the garden, such as the Model Railroad Garden, and educate them on the trains, plants and animals that they see.



- **10 - 10:45am: Exciting activity**

Teachers will lead an exciting and interactive craft/experiment/demonstration related to the camp topic. Campers may have the opportunity to touch some of the animals.

- **10:45 - 11:15am: Snack/restroom break**

Teachers will choose the time and location that is most suitable for their campers to have snacks. Snacks may vary from one day to the next.

- **11:15 - 11:45am: Fun themed game**

Campers will partake in an amusing game that captures their imagination while learning cool facts.

- **11:45am - 12pm: Wrap-up and prepare for checkout or lunch**

Teachers will wrap-up the morning session for half-day campers and prepare full-day campers for lunch.



- **12pm: Morning session half-day checkout or the beginning of lunch for full-day campers**  
Morning session half-day checkout will run from 12-12:15pm and lunch for full-day campers will run from 12-1pm.
- **12:45 - 1pm: Afternoon session half-day check-in and the continuation of camp for full-day campers**
- **1 - 1:15pm: Handout supplies and fill water bottles**  
Camp teachers will lead incoming half-day groups to their classroom and begin handing out camp materials. Teachers will also begin the second half of the day for full-day campers.
- **1:15 - 2pm: Campers tour a section of the gardens**  
Camp teachers will guide campers through a portion of the garden, such as the Woodland Trail, and educate them on the trains, plants and animals that they see.
- **2 - 2:30pm: Snack/restroom break**  
Teachers will choose the time and location that is most suitable for their campers to have snacks. Snacks may vary from one day to the next.
- **2:30 – 3:15pm: Exciting activity**  
Teachers will lead an exciting and interactive craft/experiment/demonstration related to the camp topic. Campers may have the opportunity to touch some of the animals.
- **3:15 - 3:45pm: Fun themed game**  
Campers will partake in an amusing game that captures their imagination while learning cool facts.
- **3:45 – 4pm: Wrap-up and prepare for checkout**  
Teachers will wrap-up the lessons for the day and prepare campers for check-out and pick-up.
- **4 - 4:15pm: Regular checkout**
- **4:15 - 5pm: Extended checkout**



**Please note:** Not all activities or options listed in the example schedule are available for all camps. See the “Details for a Great Camper Experience” section for more information.



## Details for a Great Summer Adventure Camp Experience!

### Gardens Gone Wild and My Big Backyard Camps Only

— Lauritzen Gardens Only Camps

#### EARLY DROP-OFF, REGULAR DROP-OFF, REGULAR CHECKOUT AND EXTENDED CHECKOUT

For drop-off and pickup, please park in visitor parking at the Lauritzen Gardens, and walk with your camper(s) inside the Visitor and Education Center. Please do not leave your camper(s) until a member of the Education Department staff has assumed supervision of the camper(s). Parking is not allowed in the circle drive directly in front of the Visitor and Education Center.

- **Full-day camps**

- Early morning check-in
  - Staff will be in place from 8am to 8:45am. The doors will not be unlocked before 8am.
- Regular morning check-in
  - Staff will be in place from 8:45am to 9am for morning check-in.
- Regular Full-day checkout
  - Staff will be in place from 4pm to 4:15pm.
- Extended full-day checkout
  - Staff will be in place from 4:15pm to 5pm. If the person picking up the camper is going to be late they must call the security cell phone at 402-740-4902 and notify security of the anticipated arrival time. \$5 will be charged to the adult that registered the child for the first one to five minutes that they are late, and an additional \$1 per minute for every minute thereafter.



- **Half-day camps**

- Morning check-in
  - Staff will be in place from 8am to 8:45am. The doors will not be unlocked before 8am.
- Morning checkout
  - Staff will be in place from 12pm to 12:15pm.
- Afternoon check-in
  - For afternoon check-in, staff will be in place from 12:45pm to 1pm.
- Afternoon check-out
  - Staff will be in place from 4:15pm to 5pm. If the person picking up the camper is going to be late they must call the security cell phone at 402-740-4902 and notify security of the anticipated arrival time. \$5 will be charged to the adult that registered the child for the first one to five minutes that they are late, and an additional \$1 per minute for every minute thereafter.



## SIGN-IN AND SIGN-OUT FORM

The sign-in/sign-out form is located on the last page of this packet. Please complete the form and bring it with your receipt (proof of purchase), when you check-in your camper. This form will also be used to sign-out your camper. Please allow about 15 minutes for the check-in process.

## LATE DROP-OFF AND EARLY PICKUP

When dropping off late or picking up early, please follow the guidelines listed within the “EARLY DROP-OFF, REGULAR DROP-OFF, REGULAR CHECKOUT AND EXTENDED CHECKOUT” section, and allow an additional 15 minutes for garden staff to either contact a member of the Education Department or locate the group in which the camper belongs.

For early pick-up, please notify the camp teacher during check-in. When picking up early, go to the Visitor and Education Center.

## LUNCH (FULL-DAY CAMPS ONLY)

Children will have lunch prepared by the Café and served to them. Outside food is not allowed in the gardens except in cases where medical/allergy reasons will prevent the camper from eating what is provided.

Lunch Menu - All meals include a main dish, fruit, desert and juice box or water. The vegetarian option is a veggie wrap. Campers may choose either the menu listed below or the veggie wrap, but not a combination of the two.

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Chicken Fingers	Macaroni and Cheese with Chicken	Pepperoni Pizza	Hot Dog	Chicken Fingers

## HYDRATION AND SNACKS

Please BE SURE TO SEND A REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE with a lid with your camper. Campers are responsible for keeping track of their water bottle throughout the day. The camper, and the individual picking up the camper, are responsible for collecting and washing the water bottle at the end of each day. Please let the instructor know of any food allergies on the first day of camp. If the child has allergies or is a picky eater, we encourage you to pack your camper a snack. Water will be provided throughout the day.

### Dirty Jobs Camps Only – A Lauritzen Gardens and Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium Camp

## EARLY DROP-OFF, REGULAR DROP-OFF, REGULAR CHECKOUT AND EXTENDED CHECKOUT

- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – Drop-off and pickup at the Lauritzen Gardens – 100 Bancroft Street, Omaha, NE 68108, (402) 346-4002
  - For drop-off and pickup, please park in visitor parking at the Lauritzen Gardens, and walk with your camper(s) inside the Visitor and Education Center. Please do not leave your camper(s) until a member of the Education Department staff has assumed supervision of the camper(s). Parking is not allowed in the circle drive directly in front of the Visitor and Education Center.
  - Early morning check-in
    - Staff will be in place from 8am to 8:45am. The doors will not be unlocked before 8am.
  - Regular morning check-in
    - Staff will be in place from 8:45am to 9am for morning check-in.
  - Regular Full-day checkout
    - Staff will be in place from 4pm to 4:15pm.



- Extended full-day checkout (available only at Lauritzen Gardens)
  - Staff will be in place from 4:15pm to 5pm. If the person picking up the camper is going to be late they must call the security cell phone at 402-740-4902 and notify security of the anticipated arrival time. \$5 will be charged to the adult that registered the child for the first one to five minutes that they are late, and an additional \$1 per minute for every minute thereafter.
- Thursday and Friday – Drop-off and pickup at the Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium - 3701 S 10th Street, Omaha, NE 68107, (402) 733-8400
  - Please park in visitor parking at the Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium. Staff will be in place from 8:45am to 9am for check-in. For check-out, staff will be in place from 4pm to 4:15pm. **No early drop-off or extended pick-up is available at the Zoo and Aquarium.**
  - Day camp teachers will meet you by the **green bike racks in the passenger loading area.**
    - To get to this area, follow the passenger loading signs.
    - Plan for traffic and parking at the Zoo & Aquarium during drop-off and pick-up. This is the peak of busy season.
  - Parents/guardians are required to sign their child in and out with an ID card.
    - If there is someone different picking up than dropping off, please inform us.



## LATE DROP-OFF AND EARLY PICKUP

- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – Late drop-off and pickup at the Lauritzen Gardens – 100 Bancroft Street, Omaha, NE 68108, (402) 346-4002
  - When dropping off late, please bring the camper(s) to the Visitor and Education Center. Front desk staff will contact the Education Department. The person dropping off the camper(s) must stay with the camper until a member of the Education Department staff arrives to supervise the camper.
  - For early pick-up, please notify the camp teacher during check-in. When picking up early, go to the Visitor and Education Center. Staff will contact the Education Department. Please allow at least 15 minutes for staff to get the camper(s), and their belongings to the Visitor and Education Center.
- Thursday and Friday – Late drop-off and pickup at the Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium - 3701 S 10th Street, Omaha, NE 68107, (402) 733-8400
  - When dropping off late, please bring the camper(s) to the visitor entrance at the front gate. Front gate staff will contact the Education Department. The person dropping off the camper(s) must stay with the camper until a member of the Education Department staff arrives to supervise the camper.
  - For early pick-up, please notify the camp teacher during check-in. When picking up early, go to the visitor entrance at the front gate. Front gate staff will contact the Education Department. Please allow at least 15 minutes for staff to get the camper(s), and their belongings.



### **LUNCH WHEN MEETING AT LAURITZEN GARDENS**

Children will have lunch prepared by the Café and served to them. Outside food is not allowed in the gardens except in cases where medical/allergy reasons will prevent the camper from eating what is provided.

Lunch Menu - All meals include a main dish, fruit, desert and juice box or water. The vegetarian option is a veggie wrap. Campers may choose either the menu listed below or the veggie wrap, but not a combination of the two.

#### **Monday**

Chicken Fingers

#### **Tuesday**

Macaroni and Cheese with Chicken

#### **Wednesday**

Pepperoni Pizza

### **LUNCH WHEN MEETING AT THE ZOO**

Children will need to bring their own sack lunch.

### **SIGN-IN AND SIGN-OUT FORM**

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### **HYDRATION AND SNACKS**

Please **BE SURE TO SEND A REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE** with a lid with your camper. Campers are responsible for keeping track of their water bottle throughout the day. The camper, and the individual picking up the camper, are responsible for collecting and washing the water bottle at the end of each day. Please let the instructor know of any food allergies on the first day of camp. If the child has allergies or is a picky eater, we encourage you to pack your camper a snack. Water will be provided throughout the day.

## **Additional Guidelines for Days when Campers are at Lauritzen Gardens**

### **SUPERVISION AND SAFETY**

All Lauritzen Gardens staff are screened before they are hired. In addition to teachers and Garden staff, trained volunteers assist teachers with camp. At no time is any child left unsupervised. When possible, class sizes will be limited to an average of 12-15 students per teacher. In addition, the Gardens' full-time staff are able to assist in an emergency situation. Only adults are hired to teach the camps.

### **BEHAVIOR**

Behavior is monitored to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all. Children are expected to behave appropriately. In the event a child is disruptive, time-out may be used. If disruptive behavior continues the parent will be called to help find a solution. If improvement is not realized, the child may be asked to not return to camp.

### **MEDICATION**

Garden staff cannot dispense medication; campers must be able to self-medicate and carry their medication with them.

### **CAN PARENTS STAY WITH OR APPROACH CAMPERS ONCE THEY HAVE BEEN DROPPED OFF?**

Our camp program is designed for children who are able function well in group oriented programs without parental involvement.



**WEATHER**

Camp will be held rain or shine unless weather forces the Garden to close for the day. In the event the Garden is closed due to weather, we will contact you. Clothing should be appropriate for the weather. Camp groups spend the majority of the day on the Garden grounds rain or shine, so don't forget rain gear or sunscreen. Shoes should fit well and already be broken-in as there will be a lot of walking each day of camp.

**ENTERING THE GARDEN AFTER CAMP**

Individuals cannot enter the Garden for free unless they are covered within a membership to the Lauritzen Gardens. If an individual is not a Garden member, they must pay admission. This guideline includes campers following the completion of camp, or after care.

**BRINGING ITEMS TO CAMP**

Please do not let your children bring money or toys to camp. Camp groups will not visit the gift shops. We cannot be responsible for any lost items.

**LOST AND FOUND**

If items are lost in the Gardens, and then found, they will be turned in to the Front Desk of the Visitor and Education Center. To check on lost items after your child's camp week, call (402) 346-4002.

**FOR ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES FROM A PARTNER ORGANIZATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATION**

- Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium - 3701 S 10th Street, Omaha, NE 68107, (402) 733-8400



## Summer Camp Sign-In/Sign-Out Form - Pick-Up Authorization 2014

Camper's Parent or Legal Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Camper: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Special Needs:

Please list any health problems, allergies, physical or behavioral conditions that might require special planning or consideration for your child's participation in camp:

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### Emergency Contact Information:

In case of emergency, please list the name and phone number of whom you would like us to contact:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Other contact information: \_\_\_\_\_

### General Release:

I hereby authorize Lauritzen Gardens and Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium and their agents to use photographs of my child and artwork created by my child for the specific purpose of publication in both print and electronic media (to include use as a still photograph or transparency or use in a motion picture, video, or on television, or any other similar media). In giving my consent, I hereby release and hold harmless Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium and the Joslyn Art Museum and their agents from any and all responsibility or liability, to include any claim for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or any other claim. I understand that I will not receive compensation, should the media be used.

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### Pickup Authorization:

The following people may pick-up my child when camp is finished each day:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT fill out this section until the camper is picked up from camp.**

Date	Signature of Person Picking-up the Camper
____/____/____	_____
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____/____/____	_____

Camper's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Camp Start Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Please print clearly

### **Please Read:**

- Please complete this form and bring it with you on the first day of camp.
- Campers without a super pass will need one completed form per camper per week of camp.
- Campers with a super pass will only need one completed form during the duration of their super pass.