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Summer Guide for Parents

July 22, 2011

Dear Parents,

Below you will find the July-August edition of the Summer Guide for Parents. The intent of this guide is to assist you as parents/guardians, with the opportunity to plan ahead for your children's summer activities. This guide includes events, camps, and resources students can participate in to continue their learning throughout the break.

Should you have any additional questions please do not hesitate to contact us at (213) 743-4516.

Enjoy!

*Best,
ECCLA*

SUMMER GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

CAMPS:

EXPO Center Summer Day Camp

Now- August 26, 2011

EXPO Center offers several camps: Day Camp (variety of activities), Sport Camp (sports, field trips and swimming), and Dance and Cheer Camp.

Ages: Day camp & Sports camp, 6 -12 years old, teen camp for ages 13 and up.

Program Hours: 7:30am – 6:00pm.

Cost: \$120 per week. See website at <http://www.laparks.org/expo/>.

Address: 3980 Bill Robertson Lane, Los Angeles, CA 90037

Phone: (213) 763-0114 ext: 227



Hollywood Girls Camp

Now - August 19, 2011

This program offers a week-long resident camp with activities. Hollywood girls camp is located in Griffith Park, nestled in the canyon between the Hollywood sign and the Observatory. The camp is designed to provide youth in LA with camping and recreational programs, close to the city, in mountain atmosphere.

Ages: 6 - 17 years

Cost: \$375 to \$450

Address: 3200 Canyon Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90068

Contact: (323) 467-7193 or visit website at

<http://www.laparks.org/dos/camps/hollywoodland.htm> .

Email: camphollywoodland@lacity.org



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Zoo Camp

Now - August 26, 2011

This summer program at the Los Angeles Zoo offers children ages 4 -12 yrs old, the chance to explore the zoo and all its creatures, learn about conservation, animal related careers and other fun activities.

Program Hours: 9am - 3pm

Cost: members \$240, nonmembers \$300 per week

Address: 5333 Zoo Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90027

Email: zooreservations@zoo.lacity.org

Contact: (323) 644-4211 or visit the website at <http://www.lazoo.org/education/zoocamp/>.



Autry Adventurers Summer Camp

Now - July 29, 2011

The Autry Museum of the American West designs week-long sessions of historical adventures especially for children.

Cost & Ages: Half Day (9:00 am -12pm Noon; Ages 5-12) \$145 Autry Members/\$185 nonmembers: Full Day (9:00 am - 4pm; Ages 8-12) \$240 Autry Members / \$300 nonmembers

Address: Griffith Park 4700 Western Heritage Way, Los Angeles, CA 90027

Contact: (323) 667-2000 ext 275 or visit the website at

<http://theautry.org/education/summer-camp>.



Adventures in Nature Summer Day Camp (Held at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County and Page Museum at the La Brea Tar Pits)

Now - August 12, 2011

The Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County offers week-long activities and field trips from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm; half-days are available too. They also offer extended day care.

Ages: Kindergarten through 6th grade **Cost:**

\$250 members and \$300 non-members

Address: 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90007

Contact: (213) 763-3348 or visit the website at

<http://www.nhm.org/site/activities-programs/adventures-in-nature>.

Iridescent Engineering Summer Camp

Now - August 5, 2011

Students have a chance to work with and learn from engineers, build models, and conduct experiments that will help them understand physics and engineering principles.

Ages: 6 and up

Cost: \$300 (**full scholarships available**-contact Jenna@iridescentlearning.org)

Address: 553 W. 23rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007

Phone: (424) 241- 2649 or visit the website at <http://iridescentlearning.org/>.



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Griffith Park Boys Camp

July 27 - August 19, 2011

this program offers a week-long resident camp with activities. The camp is located in the Griffith Park and provides a great camping experience for boys. Campers participate in sports, arts and crafts, campfires and much more. Program runs from June -August.

Ages: Boys 7-17 yrs old **Cost:** \$350 - \$450

Contact: (323) 664-0571 or visit the website at <http://iridescentlearning.org/>.

Address: 4730 Crystal Springs Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90027



Woodcraft Rangers Summer Camp

August 2011

Woodcraft Rangers has a proud 87 year history of providing innovative and creative programs for children in the under-served areas of greater Los Angeles. Currently, Woodcraft Rangers reaches out to over 18,000 at-risk young people annually through enriching after-school and camping programs. The organization's programs are responsive to social trends and designed to help children and youth mature into healthy, productive adults through positive experiences and age-appropriate challenges. They provide residential camp services to nearly 300 boys and girls. This camp is one week camping experience for youths of ages 7-11. Activities include hiking, archery, scavenger hunts, arts & crafts, stargazing and nature studies.

Address: 1625 West Olympic Blvd., Suite 800, Los Angeles, CA 90015

Email: camp@woodcrafrangers.org

Contact: (213) 249-9293.



MUSEUMS & RESOURCES:

Adventures in Nature @ Natural History Museum

Now to August 12, 2011

Adventures in Nature is a day camp offered every summer. In it, children K through Grade 6 have the opportunity to explore a wide variety of Museum topics — Earth's features, creatures, and cultures from around the globe. Enroll your children in our hands-on, interactive classes and they will learn about fascinating topics through active encounters that spark children's natural curiosity and creativity.

Hours: All camps are from 9 am to 3 pm daily and are one week in length. **Cost:** Members (per week): \$250; Non-members (per week): \$300

Additional Information: <http://www.nhm.org/site/activities-programs/adventures-in-nature>.



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The Butterfly Pavilion @ Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County Now - September 5, 2011

Tickets are sold in half hour intervals throughout the day. Admission for this pavilion only is \$3, and children 4 and under are free. Museum Members are free of charge. Tickets can be purchased at any Museum admissions desk or at

the Pavilion of Wings itself. The Pavilion is open each day from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, with the last tickets sold at 4:30 pm. Exhibit runs through Sept. 5, 2011. For more information please visit the website at <http://www.nhm.org/site/explore-exhibits/special-exhibits/butterfly-pavilion> or call (213) 763-3466.



The Autry School Tours/ Family Programs

Ongoing

The Autry National Center offers engaging, one-of-a-kind educational experiences for students of all ages. With over 20 years of educational experience, the Museum of the American West offers a unique interactive environment which invites students and teachers alike to experience the art, history, and cultures of the American West. The California Gold Rush, Life in the West Plains Indians, The Art of the West and Westward Expansion are just a few of the many museum teacher taught programs available.

Cost: Daily K-12 tour - \$1 per person. Docent guided tours and programs are available in the morning or afternoon.

Exhibits: The Autry also has American Indian Culture Day (First Sunday of the Month) for families and Family Sunday at the Autry (Third Sunday of the Month).

PERFORMANCES & EVENTS:

Houdini: Art & Magic

Closes: September 4, 2011 (companion exhibit "Masters of Illusion" continues thru mid-January)

Skirball Cultural Center - 2701 N. Sepulveda Bl., Los Angeles. Magician, escape artist, and showman extraordinaire Harry Houdini (1874–1926) has remained an object of fascination for generations. The exhibit explores Houdini as an individual and an enduring cultural phenomenon, documenting the period in American history when the young Jewish immigrant helped shape the cultural landscape and became a mass-market star. Featuring more than 150 objects—including film clips, stunning period posters, dramatic theater ephemera, rare photographs, original props (including a straitjacket, milk can, and Metamorphosis Trunk used by Houdini), and the work of select avant-garde artists—the exhibition reveals Houdini's legacy as an iconic figure, both in his time and in ours.

Hours: 12:00-5:00 p.m. Tues.-Fri.; 10:00am-5:00pm Sat. & Sun.

Cost: Free with Museum Admission: \$10.00 adults; \$7.00 seniors and students; \$5.00 children 2-12 (Includes admission to all other exhibitions). The Museum is free to all on Thursdays, but free admission does not include this exhibit.

Additional Information: www.skirball.org.



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Noah's Ark @ Skirball Cultural Center

Ongoing

Imagine yourself immersed in a favorite childhood tale. Five years in the making and occupying an 8,000-square-foot gallery, Noah's Ark at the Skirball welcomes children and families to take this journey together. Inspired by the ancient flood story, which has parallels in diverse cultures around the world, this one-of-a-kind new destination invites visitors of all generations to have fun—and to connect with one another, learn the value of community, and help build a better world.

Hours: 12:00-5:00pm Tues.-Fri.; 10:00am-5:00pm Sat. & Sun.

Cost: \$10.00 adults; \$7.00 seniors and students; \$5.00 children 2-12 (Includes admission to all other exhibitions). The Museum is free to all on Thursdays.

Location: Skirball Cultural Center - 2701 N. Sepulveda Bl., Los Angeles, CA.

Additional Information: Please call (310) 440-4500.

"Magic Strings" @ Bob Baker Marionettes

Ongoing

Children and adults will enjoy Bob Baker's staging of this circus-themed show featuring over 100 marionette puppets.

Hours: 10:30am Tues.-Fri.; 2:30pm Sat. & Sun.

Cost: \$20.00. Recommended for all ages.

Location: Bob Baker Marionette Theatre - 1345 W. First St., Los Angeles, CA.

Additional Information: Please call (213) 250-9995.

Masters of Illusion: Jewish Magicians of the Golden

Ongoing through mid-January 2012

Skirball Cultural Center - 2701 N. Sepulveda Bl., Los Angeles. Spotlighting celebrated innovators during magic's "Golden Age" (1875–1948) whose stories have largely been forgotten, Masters of Illusion: Jewish Magicians of the Golden Age is the first museum exhibition to investigate the significant contributions of Jewish magicians to entertainment history and to American and European culture at large. Through more than 150 treasured artifacts, the exhibition highlights the accomplishments as David "Papa" Bamberg (1843–1914), Herrmann the Great (1844–1932), The Great Leon (1876–1951), Carl Ballantine (1917–2009), and many more leading Jewish magicians of the day.

Hours: 12:00pm -5:00pm Tues.-Fri.; 10:00am-5:00pm Sat. & Sun.

Cost: Show included with Museum Admission. The Museum is free to all on Thursdays.

Da Vinci Hollywood Exhibit @ Hollywood & Highland Center

Ongoing

A unique exhibit of machines described, designed, and developed by Leonardo da Vinci, in addition to reproductions of his most important artistic contributions. The exhibit includes: more than 60 full-sized interactive replica machines; more than 20 reproductions of his works of art in three art galleries (with two devoted to the Mona Lisa and The Last Supper); activity



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area with more than 30 intriguing games to play and models to build; plus books, puzzles and more!

Hours: 10:00am-6:00pm daily.

Cost: \$18.00 adults; \$16.00 seniors; \$13.00 students; \$11.00 children. Recommended for ages 5 and older.

Location: Hollywood & Highland Center - 6801 Hollywood Blvd., Suite 201, Hollywood, CA.

Additional Information: Please call (323) 464-3300.

20,000 Jobs Under the Sea: A History of Commercial & Fishery Diving

Ongoing

Los Angeles Maritime Museum - Berth 84, Foot of 6th St., San Pedro. Most people associate the word "diving" with recreational activities such as scuba or snorkeling. But diving is a profession as well. The work of underwater construction, inspection, salvage, and repair all require special skills and equipment. The people who perform these jobs are known as "commercial divers." Professional divers who harvest sea life such as abalone, urchins, or sponge are called "fishery divers." Their skills and equipment are specific to the requirements of underwater fishing, and for that reason a fishery diver is not the same as a commercial diver. This exhibit is an introduction to just a few of the thousands of jobs performed by commercial divers and fishery divers in the South Bay, and is the inspiration of Torrance R. Parker, noted commercial diver and author of 20,000 Jobs Under the Sea.

Hours: 10:00am -5:00pm Tues.-Sun. Closed Mondays.

Cost: Free with Museum Admission: \$3.00 adults; \$1.00 seniors, youth and students (with ID); FREE for children. Recommended for ages 6 and older.

Additional Information: Please visit website at www.lamaritimemuseum.org.

REMEMBER TO VISIT:

Find more resources at the ECCLA Blog at <http://ecclablog.blogspot.com/>.

New information every week on programs for educators at the museums, colleges and community organizations here in our own neighborhood.