



# Dinosaur Hill Nature Preserve

## Summer 2020 Program Guide

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### Summer Camps

#### Just Camp

June 16th - 19th, 10am-12pm

(\$100/80) (Ages 3-5)

All the big kids are going to summer camp and we don't want the little guys to miss out on the action. This is a short camp designed to be friendly, fun and welcoming for your youngest campers. Parents and caregivers are welcome, but not required to attend. We'll do crafts, play games, make snacks, play outside, catch bugs, have a campfire...the very best of camp in a shortened day format approachable for the 3-5 age set.

#### Baking Camp

June 23rd - 26th, 9am-12pm

(\$105/85) (Grades K-5th)

This isn't just the camp that you want, it's the camp you knead. Mix it up this summer and be whisked away as we stir up a little cookery. Sprinkle a little bit of flour on your hands and churn up the fun as we make our own bread, stretch out some pizza dough, and slather frosting on some delicious desserts. This camp is sure to measure up to your expectations and cake on the excitement.

#### Cooking Camp

July 7th-10th, 9am-12pm

(105/85) (Grades K-5th)

Transform your ordinary child into a culinary mastermind with this unique camp. Our specials for the day include kooky flavor warping experiments that will deceive and astonish the taste buds; putting fun twists on classic recipes to give them a fresh kick; and producing pint-sized chefs that will leave camp with the ability to craft their own after-school snacks. Join the ranks of Dinosaur Hill chefs and learn to fold a burrito, roll sushi, spin a pizza, flip a pancake, stir fudge and cook like a professional.

#### Dinosaur Disasters

July 14th – July 17th, 9am-12pm

(\$105/85) (Grades K-3)

The dinosaurs can't seem to catch a break! This catastrophic camp will jump into the unfortunate footprints of the awesome dinosaurs and experience life from their perspective. Create and ignite your very own volcano, meteor and comet! Bury and excavate a full sized juvenile *Maiasaura*. Fill your tummies with dinosaur treats. Play *Tyrannosaurs* and *Triceratops* (a variation of cops and robbers) out in the woods. Do you have what it takes to live like a dinosaur or will you wind up extinct? Participants that sign up for both Dinosaur Disasters and Splash and Splatter can have an hour lunch break indoors with a movie and crafts between the camps!

#### Splash & Splatter

July 21st – July 24th, 9am-12pm

(\$105/85) (Grades K-3)

The ultimate in colorfully messy fun; in this camp we will perfect the art of making a mess through a variety of explosive activities from watercolor waterslides and exploding paint to super soaker tie-dye and water rockets. Both left and right brainers will be pleased as punch in this, one of our favorite camps. Professional splashers will also be given the opportunity to experiment with dry ice and produce some delicious consequences. Participants that sign up for both Dinosaur Disasters and Splash and Splatter can have an hour lunch break indoors with a movie and crafts between the camps!

#### Wild in the Woods

July 28th – July 31st, 9am-12pm

(\$105/85) (Grades 2-5)

Just as the name implies, we will get out, get active and go wild! Make your own bow and arrow, build a survival shelter, start a fire with flint and steel, launch water balloons with our catapult, play 'capture the flag' in the woods, try your hand at fishing, search for buried treasure and learn about geocaching, raft the Paint Creek, picnic in the park, and prepare for the wildest of our summer camps. We promise your children will sleep like logs this week

#### Best of Camp

August 18th – August 21st, 9am-12pm

(\$170/140) (Grades 2-5)

With Summer drawing to a close and school starting up we need to jam pack as much fun summer action as we can into this week as humanly possible. We will be spending time in the creek looking for critters and fishing, building forts in the woods and crafting swords to protect them from raiders, hiking to the park for a day of field games and picnics, zip and slack lining, spending time around the skillet learning how to cook up some delicious (and wacky) snacks, and catapulting water balloons.

#### Into the Great Outdoors

August 25th - 28th, 10am-12pm

(\$100/80) (Ages 3-5)

The same shortened day format as our Just Camp program gets the preschool set into the action of summer camp and helps them develop their senses and comfort in the great outdoors. Parents are welcome, but not required to attend. In this camp we will use our imagination and senses to explore the wonderful world of outdoors through crafts, creative play and lots of outdoor activity we will set out on a new adventure into the great outdoors every day. Activities are different from Just Camp so you can sign up for one or both camps!

## Summer Nights At The Hill

We're not the type of people who stop enjoying nature once the sun goes down, and neither should you! Join us for this special series of family programs that take place right around sunset.

*\$5/3 members, family max \$20/12*

### **The Black Widow**

*June 20th, 8:30-10pm*

We're just as squeamish around arachnids as anyone here at Dinosaur Hill, but that doesn't mean our resident tarantula won't be in attendance to be handled and touched. This evening we will be meeting at the nature center to learn a little bit about native spiders while hanging out with our tarantula before heading out into the woods to go on an evening spider hunt (and of course we will patrol for bats and owls while out there!). It wouldn't be a Dinosaur Hill program without a couple of surprises!

### **The Dinosaur Hill Star Show**

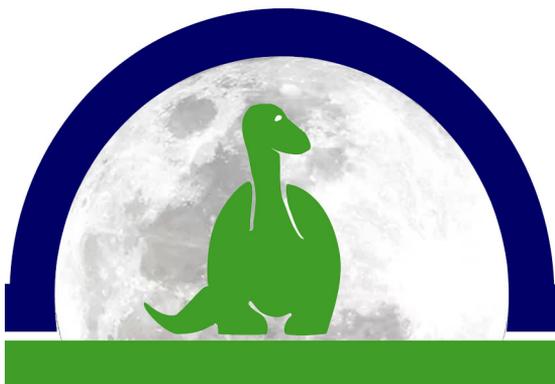
*July 18th, 8:30-10pm*

There's nothing better for stargazing than a hike without the moon's glow. With the moon starting to shy away for the cycle we feel it best to head outdoors and see if we can't locate a couple of our favorite summer constellations. We will even have our planetarium set up inside to watch a quick movie about the edge of the solar system (with popcorn bags of course). And if things couldn't get any better the Oakland Astronomy Club will be in attendance to show off telescopes along with a few other surprises!

### **Night Owls**

*August 15th, 8:30-10pm*

There's an entire world that awakens when we tuck ourselves in to recharge our batteries. For this evening we will be discussing all things nocturnal! We will be showing off our crested geckos and figuring out how they're able to see in the darkness and learning a little bit about owls and bats before heading out on a special 'bingo' themed nature walk to see if we can fill our boards with sights and sounds of the world after dark (and of course there will be prizes!).



## Family Campfires



Looking for a fun way to spend an evening with the whole family? Summer is the perfect time of year to join a Dinosaur Hill naturalist around the campfire for a relaxed evening program that includes a program by campfire and snack. *\$5/3 members with a maximum fee per family of \$15/12 members. 8:30-9:30 PM*

### **June 19th - Dinosaurs After Dark (Carnivore)**

This special evening, we will take a look at some fearsome carnivore fossils before spending some time digging for bones in our dinosaur dig! S'mores will be provided!

### **June 26th - Magic and Marshmallows**

Join us for a special campfire where we will perform a little magic show, teach you how to do a magic trick of your own, and amaze you with our balloon animal prowess! S'mores and balloon animals will be provided!

### **July 24th - Dinosaurs After Dark (Herbivores)**

This special evening, we will take a look at some herbivore fossils and learn how they defended themselves and each other! Afterwards we will venture to our dinosaur dig to unearth some fossils! S'mores will be provided!

### **August 14th - Dinosaurs After Dark (Non-Dinosaurs)**

This special evening we will take a look at some animals that lived alongside the dinosaurs that are often confused for dinosaurs (IE, pterodactyls and plesiosaurs). Afterwards we will head to our dinosaur dig to excavate some dinosaur bones! S'mores will be provided!



### **Four Feet Down the Trail (ages 2-4)**

This popular program is designed to be a special time for preschoolers ages 2-4 and their parent or caregiver. Programs have a theme and may include crafts, songs, puppets, finger-plays, learning stations and much more. Dinosaur Hill believes active outdoor play is important for a healthy child so each program includes at least some outdoor exploration. The classes are designed to meet the educational needs of the 2-4 age group. For this reason, please no siblings under the age of two or older than four with the exception of babies that will be content in a carrier. Sign-up for individual programs or save by choosing any four or more. Includes snack.

Fee: \$13/11 members for individual class (\$3 add sib) ***Meets 9:30-10:30***

### **June 22nd – Summer is a Blast!**

We did it, it's officially summer! Let's waste no time and head outside to play some water games with our toes, put together hiking sticks and see all the animals of the woods!

### **July 6th – Fishing in the Air**

What sort of animals could we catch fishing in the air? Let's build our own special poles and play with balloons while enjoying a light snack!

### **July 13th – Planting a Rainbow**

Fruits and vegetables can grow in every shade of the rainbow! Let's learn a little about how plants grow and put together our own rainbow craft to take home! We will even play with our food!

### **July 20th – The Giving Tree**

There are so many ways to show someone that you care about them so let's learn a little about friendship and support. We will be playing a special game with our umbrella to simulate falling apples!

### **July 27th – Little Owl's day**

Some animals are awake when we're asleep! Let's learn a little about the animals that keep us safe at night by patrolling the forest! We will even make a moon craft to celebrate the owls!

### **August 10th – The Little Explorer**

There's nothing more exciting than a treasure hunt! We will be putting together our own binoculars and exploring the woods in search of amazing treasure with our friends!

### **August 17th -- The Grouchy Ladybug**

We all wake up on the wrong side of the bed sometimes! We will read a classic Eric Carle story before making our own special ladybugs. We will even go out on the trail in search of bugs!

### **August 24th – Should I Share My Ice Cream?**

With the temperatures steadily rising all summer we all ask ourselves: should I share my ice cream? We will be making our own ice cream in the building before playing some games with ice!

### **August 31st – The Four Foot Storybook Party**

With a literary summer this year the only way to celebrate properly would be by bringing our favorite books to class, enjoying a special four-foot tea party and playing lawn games as we bid an amazing summer adieu!

## Birthday Parties

### Super Adventures Birthday Parties

A birthday party at Dinosaur Hill is a memorable experience, sure to be special for your child. You may choose between several topics or ask for a special request. Party fee includes paper goods, decorations, juice, party favors and your own "adventure guide". Parties last two hours. Please call or visit the nature center for more information.

**Fee: \$150      Limit 12 children**

### Can't Find Just What You Were Looking For???

Are you a teacher, leader of a playgroup, member of your church group, organizing a neighborhood activity or...??? Consider contacting Dinosaur Hill to have us put on a program designed just for your group! We can do programs geared for preschoolers, families, adults or seniors on many different topics. The program can be held here at our award-winning nature center and serene nature preserve or can be held conveniently at your site.

### Office Hours

Tues-Fri 9 am - 3pm

333 North Hill Circle  
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## Registration Information

Summer camp registering NOW.

Member registration for all other programs begins: February 14th

Public registration begins for all other programs begins: February 21st

\*Please register at least one week prior to start of program. Some programs fill-up quickly so please contact us early to make sure you get in the classes you are interested in!\*

Register online at [www.dinosaurhill.org](http://www.dinosaurhill.org) or by mail or in person or check  
Credit Cards accepted online only  
Make checks payable to "DHNP".

Refund policy: full refund if class is canceled by DHNP. If registrant withdraws at least one week in advance of program start date a refund minus \$5 processing fee will be given. No refunds will be made after the one week advance deadline.

### Directions to Dinosaur Hill

Dinosaur Hill is located at 333 North Hill Circle in the City of Rochester. From Rochester Rd. go West on Woodward (there is a light at this intersection. This is a residential side street, not the Woodward that runs through Detroit). From Woodward, turn right (North) on N. Oak Street. From N. Oak St. turn left (West) on North Hill Circle. North Hill Circle will dead-end in the Dinosaur Hill parking lot.

Adults Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

City and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Resident of (circle one):    Rochester Hills    Oakland Twp.    Rochester    Other

Family Membership:      \$40                      \$30 (must be resident of City of Rochester)

Enrollee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age (if child): \_\_\_\_\_

Class 1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class 1 Time and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Class 2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class 2 Time and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Dinosaur Hill is a nonprofit educational organization