



Lutz Children's Museum  
247 South Main Street  
Manchester, CT 06040  
[www.lutzmuseum.org](http://www.lutzmuseum.org)

*Our summer program is full of fun  
and opportunities to learn  
something new.*

*Each day begins with hands-on  
activities led by an experienced  
museum educator.*

*Afternoons are devoted to playtime,  
swimming, crafts, and field trips.*

*The Oak Grove Nature Center  
offers fifty-two acres of land with  
trails, a pond, covered bridge, and a  
teaching building.*

**2015  
ECO EXPLORERS  
CAMP AT  
OAK GROVE NATURE  
CENTER**



**One Week Sessions  
Full Day Schedule  
Field Trips & Recreation**

**Ages 6 - 10  
July 6 - August 21**

# LUTZ ECO EXPLORERS SUMMER CAMP

## Fun • Swimming • Exploration • Field Trips • Friends

- ◆ Educational content delivered by experienced museum educators.
- ◆ Recreational activities include swimming, hiking, games, and field trips.
- ◆ Small group sizes mean more individualized attention.

### Daily Schedule

<b>Drop-Off</b>
<b>8:30 - 9:00</b>
<b>Educational Programs</b>
<b>9:00 - 12:00</b>
<b>Lunch</b>
<b>12:00 - 1:00</b>
<b>Organized Recreation</b>
<b>1:00 - 3:00</b>
<b>Pick-Up (Monday - Thursday)</b>
<b>3:00</b>
<b>Field Trip Every Friday</b>
<b>Pick-Up 5:00</b>

#### **July 6 - July 10 WILD BACKYARD**

Did you know that your own backyard is filled with wildlife? From fungi to mammals we will explore the diverse world of backyard habitats. We will design a garden to provide a habitat for native CT animals and explore the nature center trails to see backyard wildlife in action. Finish with a field trip to the EcoTarium in Worcester, MA.

#### **July 13 - July 17 EXTREME ECOSYSTEMS**

From the African savannah to the temperate United States forests discover the secrets of the world's most extreme ecosystems. Meet exotic animals and carnivorous plants that populate these environments. Find out what we can do to preserve the homes of the plants and animals we meet. This week's journey will take us to the Museum of Science in Boston!

#### **July 20 - July 24 INCREDIBLE INSECTS**

Explore the fascinating world of insects and discover why our ecosystems depend on them. Fossil records tell us these creatures have thrived on earth for hundreds of millions of years and are highly adaptable. We will become junior entomologists and learn how insects have adapted to the changing environment. A double field trip to the Springfield Museums and Magic Wings in Massachusetts to view live butterflies will leave us in awe of the insect world!

#### **July 27 - July 31 RAINFOREST EXPEDITION**

Discover the hidden treasures of the rainforest. Find out how humans rely on the resources and explore its diverse array of wildlife. We will take an imaginary trip to the rainforest as we transform the nature center into our very own jungle to explore. This week we will visit primates who call the rainforest home when we travel to Stone Zoo in Stoneham, MA.

#### **Aug 3 - Aug 7 WETLAND WARRIORS**

Wetland ecosystems are critical to a range of species from amphibians hiding below the water's surface to birds soaring overhead. Join us to discover why these rapidly disappearing habitats are so important to wildlife and what we can do to save them. This week we will travel to a wetland site to study amphibians and take a field trip to the CT Science Center!

#### **Aug 10 - Aug 14 OPEN OCEANS**

Oceans have intrigued humans for thousands of years but what really lies beneath the surface of the world's oceans? Find out as we explore the mysteries of the deep! We will dive into oceanography, explore the world of ocean generated energy and learn the secrets of extreme marine life like the giant squid. We will study sea life at Meigs Point Nature Center at Hammonasset and meet a real marine biologist. This week's field trip brings us to New England Aquarium in Boston, MA.

#### **Aug 17- Aug 21 BIODIVERSITY IN ACTION**

Find out how humans depend on the interactions between plants and animals in the environment. Learn about outrageous animal species like the axolotl, dingsio and the African wild dog and find out why so many species are facing extinction. Finish the week with a trip Roger Williams Zoo in Providence, RI to see endangered species up close.

*Space is extremely limited.  
Please provide your contact information so that we  
can send you a registration packet.*

Parent or Guardian's Name

Address

Town

State

Zip Code

Home Phone

Work Phone

Email

Child's Name

Child's Age

Grade Completed

**Registration Fees**  
\$225 per week / Members  
\$275 per week / Non-Members