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Naper Settlement offers fun and educational day camps

Naperville, IL — This summer, Naper Settlement is pleased to offer an all-new season of exciting summer day camps that are sure to capture a child's imagination. The Camp Naper programs are unique, hands-on camps that will provide your child with fun and educational experiences while learning about topics such as science, art and architecture. Programs range from 1- to 5-day camps and last from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Camps will begin in June and take place at Naper Settlement located at 523 S. Webster St., Naperville, IL. Registration is required for all camps and begins March 6. To register, call (630) 420-6010. For more information, visit our website at www.napersettlement.org/camp.

Imagine That! Sampler

Allow your children's imagination to run wild, as you mix and match their summer fun with one or more of our new a-la-carte day camps. Campers can explore scientific superhero powers, create their very own rainforest and solve historical mysteries with each day having a different and exciting theme. Imagine That! Sampler will take place from June 5 to 9 for children in grades 1 to 6. The fee for each camper is \$45 per day or \$210 for the full week.

- **June 5** – Super Hero Science: Explore the history of comic book super heroes and the science behind some of the coolest super powers. Weave a spider web and create a storm in a bottle!
- **June 6** – History Mysteries: Unravel historical mysteries involving famous figures, legendary mummies and natural phenomena.
- **June 7** – Snack Science: Using a combination of scientific principles and tasty snacks, campers will complete experiments and create edible activities.
- **June 8** – Earth Explorer: Learn secrets about the natural world and make your own terrarium.
- **June 9** – Building Bonanza: Uncover historical clues of famous buildings, bridges and other structures. Design and build your own model house or bridge.

Team Extreme Sampler

Calling all creative thinkers and curious kids! Creativity and teamwork will guide campers through excavations, engineering and team building activities as part of this exciting a-la-carte camp series. Campers can test their archery skills, build machines out of pioneer era materials and use artifacts to unlock scavenger hunt clues. Team Extreme Sampler will take place June 12 to 16 for children in grades 1 to 6. The fee for each camper is \$45 per day or \$210 for the full week.

- **June 12** –Excavation Exploration: Hunt for underground clues in an archaeological scavenger hunt.
- **June 13** – Enterprising Engineering: Teams of campers use their creativity and problem-solving skills to engineer a Rube Goldberg-type machine.
- **June 14** – Awesome Archery: Partnering with the DuPage County Forest Preserve, campers will learn the basics of archery then put their skills to the test.

- **June 15** – Water Wars: Use teamwork and engineering skills to build catapults and slingshots and win the ultimate water balloon battle.
- **June 16** – Extreme Explosions: Campers will use scientific experiments to create colorful popping, fizzing and bubbling explosions.

Hip History I

Travel back in time and discover music, art, fads, TV shows, games, sports, pop culture and history from the 1950s, 60s and 70s! Exploring each decade, campers will enjoy this 5-day camp by recreating famous art, learning the popular dances, playing with popular toys and games and making a tie-dye shirt. Hip History I will take place June 19 to 23 for children in grades 1 to 6. The fee is \$210 per camper.

Awesome Architecture

Castles, skyscrapers and cathedrals! Investigate stories behind building methods and styles of architecture over time. What did culture or weather have to do with buildings? Make a map, go on a History Hunt through Naper Settlement's historic buildings, take a walking tour of downtown Naperville and find architecture that reveals some history of our city. Campers will learn about careers in architecture and build a Box City during this 5-day camp. Awesome Architecture will take place June 19 to 23 for children in grades 3 to 6. The fee is \$210 per camper.

Incredible Creatures

Animal lovers will learn how these incredible creatures have helped us throughout the course of history in a 5-day camp. Learn about animal spies, animal astronauts, presidential pets and conservation of habitats. Campers will learn about various careers working with animals and will meet a working dog and a bird of prey. Build models to learn how birds' wings help them fly, test your sense of smell to understand how dogs' noses help them solve crimes and more! Incredible creatures will have two options to attend on June 26 to 30 or July 10 to 14 for children in grades 1 to 6. The fee is \$210 per camper.

Curious Cook

Aspiring chefs will use a combination of science and creativity to conduct delicious edible experiments and surprisingly tasty chemical reactions in this 3-day camp. Learn how to use an endothermic reaction to make ice cream and apply your creative genius to mix compounds to invent your own cookies! Curious Cook will take place July 5 to 7 for children in grades 3 to 6. The fee is \$140 per camper.

Pioneers to Mars

Join in a STEM-based Mars adventure examining how space pioneers would settle the Red Planet compared to how early Naperville pioneers settled and survived the wilderness. Where would food come from? What tools would you need? What would your house look like? Learn everything there is to know about this year's coolest planet and what life was like on the Illinois frontier! Pioneers to Mars will take place July 10 to 14 for children in grades 6 to 8. The fee for this 5-day camp is \$210 per camper.

Civil War Camp

Immerse yourself in the life of a soldier from the past! Practice military drills, cook over an open fire, learn first-aid, journaling and map-making. Experience hardtack snacks and spy tactics. Campers will receive a Civil War kepi hat, small haversack and a photo of themselves to take home. Civil War Camp will take place July 14 for children in grades 5 to 8. The fee is \$95 per camper.

Camp Scrambler

Have fun experiencing a mash-up of new themed activities! This 5-day camp features 1-day each of Hip History, Awesome Architecture, Incredible Creatures, Curious Cook and Pioneers to Mars. Camp Scrambler will take place July 17 to 21 for children in grades 1 to 6. The fee is \$210 per camper.

Survive This!

Become a survivalist! Learn to build a shelter, make a slingshot and stay safe in the wilderness. Practice team building exercises and work through an obstacle course. Basic archery skills will be taught in collaboration with the Forest Preserve of DuPage County. Survive This! will take place July 24 to 28 for children in grades 3 to 6. The fee is \$210 per camper.

Kinetic Art

Get inspired by Naper Settlement, then let your imagination run wild in this 3-day camp. Campers will use recycled materials to build a wind chime, create 3-D animals and works of art and paint an optical illusion. Campers will learn some artistic basics and apply them in unique and fun ways. Kinetic Art will take place July 26 to 28 for children in grades 3 to 6. The fee for this 3-day camp is \$140 per camper.

Hip History II

Travel back in time and discover music, art, fads, TV shows, games, sports, pop culture and history from the 1950s, 60s and 70s! Exploring each decade, campers will enjoy this 5-day camp by recreating famous art, learning the popular dances, playing with popular toys and games and making a tie-dye shirt. Hip History II will take place July 31 to August 4 for children in grades 1 to 6. The fee is \$210 per camper.

About Naper Settlement

Naper Settlement is a nationally accredited, award-winning outdoor museum set on 12 magnificent acres in the heart of Naperville, where history comes to play and community comes to connect. For more information, visit www.napersettlement.org or call (630) 420-6010.

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