

## **SUMMER AND MORE!**

The first section has camps and activities that you can sign up for now, during spring break as well as summer. The first section also includes camps that have recently come to my attention or have been recommended by you. In this list, you will see a few things repeated due to being recommended recently and also being in a specific category. There's a lot to take in!

## **NOW, SPRING AND SUMMER...**

### **NY Historical Society** \*\*– 77th and CPW: [nyhistory.org](http://nyhistory.org)

They always have fun family activities, and many programs for teens.

<https://www.nyhistory.org/childrens-museum>

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### **GET DISCOUNTS TO THEATRE TIX AND MORE with HIGH 5 TIX**

High 5 Tickets to the Arts is dedicated to making the arts affordable for teens. Through High 5, teens ages 13 to 18 can buy **\$5 tickets** to the best of New York City dance, music, theater and visual arts events all year round.

<http://www.high5tix.org/Aspx/AboutHigh5/Default.aspx>

<http://www.high5tix.org/asp/eventsandshows/EventCalendar.aspx>

### **MAD SPORTS CAMP at The City University of NY City College**

[www.madsportsinc.net](http://www.madsportsinc.net)

#### **Spring and Summer Camps!**

-Multi-Sport Camp for children ages 5 – 14

Campers will learn, compete, and improve skills in these activities\* in a fun, safe, friendly environments. Day trips to sporting events and special activities are also planned.

### **PIXEL ACADEMY - After school, spring and summer**

<http://www.pixelacademy.org/>

The Pixel Academy is a creative space where **kids and teens** are immersed in state of the art digital technologies, from Virtual Reality Video Game Design to 3D Printing. The Pixel Academy encourages creativity with technology, enabling our members to develop proficiencies in a sampling of the very latest hardware and software available. We give them both the tools and the knowledge to explore and master important new skills that traditional schools aren't able to offer.

Read the site carefully to learn about how membership works. It's a great deal; kids who are members can drop in on classes any time they're open (but for summer it looks like you have to register for particular classes.)

<http://pixelacademy.ticketleap.com/camp-pixel-april-break/details>

<http://www.pixelacademy.org/camp-pixel>

### **BEAM CENTER**

<http://beamcenter.org/midwinter-spring/>

#### **Midwinter & Spring Break @ Inventgenuity**

Kids will explore a single concept or raw material – **“Wood”** for Spring – through different media and creative practices with Beam Center's faculty. Our faculty are artists, designers, filmmakers musicians, engineers, storytellers, makers and big idea people; all are practitioners and experts from across the creative landscape.

Kids will make connections between the disciplines they explore and collaboratively document their discoveries and creations!

#### **BEAM SUMMER CAMP**

<http://beamcenter.org/summer-day/>

#### **Summer Day @ Inventgenuity 2014**

#### **Early Registration!**

Led by our fearless Guides, kids will explore a single concept, theme, or raw material through different media and creative practices with Beam Center's faculty. **Each week is different! See the site for more info.**

## **PLAY ON! STUDIOS: Spring Break 6 – 10 y/o only**

**-Play On! Summer** has a Musical Theatre Camp for ages 8 – 13 y/o

At Play On! Studio's Musical Theater Camp we are committed to giving our campers the full summer experience! In the morning, campers will explore different aspects of theater through inspiring weekly themes. (Past themes have included Comedy-Improv, Glee Week, Musicals Through The Ages, and Tech Week). For lunch, campers get a chance to run around in a near-by park. Afternoons are spent rehearsing a full musical production - complete with sets and costumes! - to be performed in a professional NYC theater at the end of the summer. Each week culminates in an exciting local field trip, including seeing a Broadway show!

Like with all Play On! Studios programs, it is important that each child gets plenty of personal attention, ensuring opportunities to grow and shine. Consequently, space is extremely limited and we highly encourage early registration to ensure a spot for your child.

## **THE CENTER FOR ARCHITECTURE FOUNDATION - Spring and Summer Programs**

<http://www.cfafoundation.org/>

SPRING classes are sold out but check out their fun **family days!**

**SUMMER** <http://www.cfafoundation.org/summer>

*-Open House for Summer Programs: April 17<sup>th</sup> RSPV for an Open House here:*

<https://co.clickandpledge.com/advanced/default.aspx?wid=73900>

For more information: [info@cfafoundation.org](mailto:info@cfafoundation.org) or [212-358-6133](tel:212-358-6133)

Summer@theCenter architecture studio programs run Monday through Friday, 9am - 4pm at the Center for Architecture. Each week explores a different topic in architecture and design through art and building activities, walking tours, and special site visits. Students bring their own lunch daily.

Programs are for students entering 3 - 12 grade in the fall. Classes are limited to 18 students; 10 students for Digital Design classes.

A limited number of need-based partial scholarships are available. To apply for a scholarship, submit your [Scholarship Application](#), proof of financial need and also register online using the links below as a "**Scholarship Applicant**" **by April 15, 2014.**

## **AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY-Spring and Summer Programs!**

<http://www.amnh.org/learn-teach/families/adventures-in-science>

**-Adventures in Science – Camps for learning, discover and fun!**

(Also, click on other programs listed on the site to see if they are also of interest to you!)

The three-day workshops and week-long day camps or institutes explore topics such as astrophysics, human evolution, robot design, frogs and extreme mammals. Children can study constellations by star-gazing, examine the tools and cave art of our hominid ancestors, and much more in these exciting, inquiry-based programs.

Schedules and grade level can be found by selecting the workshop or camp you are interested in. Questions?

Contact:

For more information, please contact [adventures@amnh.org](mailto:adventures@amnh.org)

## **AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY – DIGITAL UNIVERSE FLIGHT SCHOOL SUMMER INSTITUTE – recently recommended.**

<http://www.amnh.org/learn-teach/grades-6-8/adventures-in-science/digital-universe-flight-school-summer-institute-grades-6-7-and-8>

Want to take a stroll on Mars? Visit the moons of Jupiter? Learn to navigate our solar system, galaxy, and beyond using cutting-edge planetarium software, Uniview, which combines three-dimensional celestial maps with breathtaking data visualization. Using advanced gaming hardware, you will have the incredible opportunity to develop your own planetarium show and teach others the science behind it.

## **MUSEUM OF MODERNT ART**

MoMA has programs for the entire family year round – click here!

[http://www.moma.org/learn/kids\\_families/index](http://www.moma.org/learn/kids_families/index)

## RECENTLY RECOMMENDED

**CAMP SLOANE** is a YMCA Camp in Lakeville Connecticut. A great all around two week sleep-away camp for boys and girls. While there are some shared activities, boys and girls stay on separate sides of the mountain in tents. Archery, swimming, tennis, horseback riding, sailing. Great counselors, nice kids.  
<http://www.campsloane.org/>

**CAMP HILLTOP** <http://camphilltop.com/>

**CAMPUS KIDS** [www.campuskids.com](http://www.campuskids.com)

A sleep away camp that is just Monday-Friday. The bus picks kids up on Monday and brings them back on Friday so you can see them over the weekend! MANY families have recommended this camp. The camp has 3 location, one of which is on a college campus in rural New Jersey.

**THE FROST VALLEY YMCA EQUESTRIAN OVERNIGHT CAMP** is excellent as are their day camps.

<http://frostvalley.org/camp/overnight-camps/horse-camp/>

**EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH, FREE SUMMER PROGRAM AT JOHN JAY COLLEGE, 7th & 8th Graders**

<http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/academics/3311.php>

Educational Talent Search at John Jay College is a federally funded college preparatory program serving low-income, first generation college-bound students in NYC. //==They are currently recruiting for their free summer program for rising 7th and 8th graders. The program application is available for download from their website:  
<http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/academics/3311.php>.

Also, for more information, click the tabs on the right hand side of the site when you visit it. Many qualifying CS students have participated in this program, which includes \*\*enrichment, academics and fun trips around NYC. \*\*If you don't exactly meet the requirements listed on the application, contact the program about applying anyway. If you know any older students who may benefit from this program, please pass it along as it serves a wide range of ages.

**ID TECH CAMPS (Ages 7-17) at COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY**

<http://www.idtech.com/locations/new-york-summer-camps/new-york/id-tech-columbia-university/>

Our summer computer camps for Kids & Pre-Teens ages 7-12, and Teens ages 13-17 are segmented by course and age. Teens will study, socialize and eat with other teens, but may be in the vicinity of younger students during lab time. Yes, we're a tech camp, but we do not sit in front of digital devices all day. We provide a well-balanced, fun summer camp experience that is age-appropriate for kids, pre-teens, and teens.

Imagine a small group learning environment where the curriculum is tailored to *you*. A place where you build your STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) skills in intimate clusters of just 8 students maximum per instructor, and collaborate with new friends.

You'll gain confidence, explore a unique college campus, and get a taste of the collegiate experience. This isn't just camp. It's a portal to a fulfilling future, in college and beyond. Join us this summer at our kids camps and teen camps—learn iPhone® and Android™ app development, programming with C++ or Java™, video game design, web design, moviemaking, robotics, and more. Get inspired by energetic, tech-savvy instructors, and build critical 21<sup>st</sup> century STEM skills. Beginner or advanced, we offer a customized learning experience. Do something big this summer!

## **YMCA CAMPS in NYC and off-site camps!**

### **WEST SIDE YMCA** day camps (63rd street)

<http://www.ymcanyc.org/westside>

<http://www.ymcanyc.org/association/pages/summer-camp>

### **92nd Street Y Day Camps** - several for different age groups).

1395 Lexington Avenue, NYC, Tel: [212-415-5600](tel:212-415-5600) <http://www.92y.org/>

Recently recommended at 92Y:: Camp Yomi , Yomi Seniors, Camp Tevah

### **CAMP SLOANE – recently recommended**

<http://www.campsloane.org/>

### **New Jersey Y Camps – Some are SPORTS ORIENTED, SPECIAL NEEDS and more**

<http://www.njycamps.org/>

### **NJ Y Camp Cedar Lake**

[http://njycamps.org/camps/html/cedar\\_lake\\_camp.html](http://njycamps.org/camps/html/cedar_lake_camp.html)

### **TEEN TRAVEL CAMP TRAILBLAZERS** run by the 92nd Street Y.

The kids go on daily trips (beaches, amusement parks, community service, etc.) and overnights (one city trip i.e. Boston, Club Getaway, white water rafting).

<http://www.92y.org/camps/trailblazers.aspx>

### **CAMP BECKETT** Excellent sleepaway camp - very rural, simple - (no electricity in the bunks!) and wonderful!

Because it's a YMCA camp, it's a bit less than others...and scholarships are available.

**Chimney Corners** A parent writes: good for kids who like diversity of activities: cooking, yoga, dance, musical theater, photography, wood-working.

Girls only. The brother camp for boys is Becket camp for Boys.

<http://www.bccymca.org/> website for both Camp Beckett and Chimney Corners

### **YMCA Camp Mohawk for Girls**

<http://www.campmohawk.org>

### **YM-YWHA of Washington Heights-Inwood**

[www.ywashhts.org](http://www.ywashhts.org)

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## **MORE DAY & SLEEPOVER CAMPS**

### **NYC PARKS & RECREATION ACTIVITIES**

<http://www.nycgovparks.org/kids/>

There's a lot on the site for adults and families, too! Click here: <http://www.nycgovparks.org/events>

### **CAMP HILLTOP – recently recommended** <http://camphilltop.com/>

### **OASIS CHILDREN has MANY PROGRAMS!**

<http://www.oasischildren.com/>

**OASIS TEEN TRAVEL.** It's for 12-14 year olds. The kids get on a bus every morning and go to a different part of the city for various events and activities.

<http://www.oasischildren.com/camp.php?id=3>

### **GODDARD RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER**

<http://www.goddard.org/>

<http://www.goddard.org/page/summer-day-camp-88.html>

Goddard also has many resources to help families in a variety of ways – please explore their website.

### **DAY CAMP IN THE PARK – Recommended by many!**

<http://www.daycampinthepark.com/>

The cost is in the moderate, but not cheap, range; the fees are competitive.

The camp is smaller (around 550 kids) and very well run. Good behavior is mandatory. "My son has been so happy there since he was 7. Programs range from drama to art to archery to soccer to baseball to Native American studies to boating to karate and more. "

### **DWIGHT SUMMER CAMP NYC [www.dwightsummercamp.org](http://www.dwightsummercamp.org)**

### **BONJOUR FRENCH SUMMER DAY CAMP, NYC, ages 3.5 – 11**

Open Houses at PS84 Manhattan: Monday, May 12th at 6:30 pm

<http://bonjourny.com/summer-camp/>

### **CAMP KILLOOLEET - Hancock, VT [www.killooleet.com](http://www.killooleet.com)**

This camp is in a very rural part of Vermont, literally off the grid for cellphones etc. It takes about 100 boys and girls, ages 10-14, for a full (7-week) summer with an emphasis on cooperation rather than competition. Killlooleet offers swimming and diving (the camp has its own small lake), canoeing, hiking, horseback riding, soccer and baseball, drama, music and art. It has been run by the Seeger family for two generations. The current director, Kate Seeger, is a niece of the folksinger Pete Seeger and an accomplished musician herself. There is a lot of folk singing at Killlooleet.

### **NASHOBA NORTH - Raymond, ME [www.campnashoba.com](http://www.campnashoba.com)**

This is another traditional co-ed camp, on the shores of Crescent Lake, about an hour from Portland, Maine. It is bit bigger and more sports-oriented than Killlooleet, with swimming, diving, water-skiing, soccer, baseball, hockey, lacrosse and basketball, among other things. It also offers music and arts. You can enroll for a four-week session or the whole summer.

### **CAMP TIMBER TOPS in Pennsylvania <http://www.timbertops.com/>**

### **NOCK –A MIXON SLEEPAWAY CAMP**

It is located in Kintnersville, PA - Bucks County. <http://www.campnockamixon.com/>

It's just under 2 hours from Manhattan (at least from the Upper West Side). This camp does not advertise or participate in fairs - it is strictly word-of-mouth. This is a private, fully accredited camp. You do not have to be Jewish to attend, however, they do have Friday night dinner complete with matzoh ball soup and a brief (5-10 minutes) Shabbat prayer service.

### **CAMP JRF, a Jewish overnight camp in the Poconos. <http://www.campjrf.org/>**

### **FROST VALLEY – Recommended by many! <http://www.frostvalley.org/about/index.html>**

... is just so great for middle schoolers and it is fairly reasonable compared to many summer camps. Offers specialty camps including farm, horses community service, and trips for teens to Maine, the Cape, etc.

### **CAMPUS KIDS: [www.campuskids.com](http://www.campuskids.com) - recently recommended**

A sleep away camp that is just Monday-Friday. The bus picks kids up on Monday and brings them back on Friday. The camp has 3 locations and one is on a college campus in rural New Jersey.

### **CENTRALPARK CONSERVANCY <http://www.centralparknyc.org/calendar/>**

Central Park Conservancy sponsors all kinds of cool free activities or very low cost - fishing on 110th street with instruction, arts and crafts, sports and more!

## PERFORMING, MUSIC & VISUAL ARTS

### TRIPLE ARTS 2014 MUSICAL THEATRE SUMMER INTENSIVE

**With Terrance Mann and Charlotte d'Amboise (stars of Broadway's Pippin!)**

@ The National Dance Institute

Get one-on-one instruction with TOP industry professionals in ACTING, SINGING and DANCE. Spaces fill quickly – check it out now!

-August 11<sup>th</sup> – August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

### PLAY ON! STUDIOS - as mentioned above

[www.playonstudios.com](http://www.playonstudios.com)

[347.709.4149](tel:347.709.4149)

Play On Studios offers musical theatre to kids from 9 – 13 years old. They're wonderful!

### JAZZ CAMP – For young students and adults, too!

Is your child a budding musician? Check out this new jazz camp for children age 12 – 16 years old. You'll learn how to play jazz tunes, music theory, ear training, transcribing & listening, improvisation, ensemble (playing as group), composition and performance.

#### Teen Jazz Camp

<http://www.newyorkjazzworkshop.com/teens/>

#### Classes for Adults

For the adults who would like to learn an instrument, sing or play with others:

<http://www.newyorkjazzworkshop.com>

### NYC ROCK CAMP - YEAH!

<http://nycrockcamp.org/>

**N.Y.C.R.C.:** n. 1 A popular music-camp for boys and girls ages 10-17, taking place in New York City. The camp allows kids of all skill levels and backgrounds a chance to **ROCK!**

### WILLIE MAE ROCK CAMP FOR GIRLS – as in Rock 'n Roll!

<http://williemaerockcamp.org/>

A friend of mine recommends this highly!!

### WET PAINT ART STUDIO IN TriBeCa – Great reviews from parents!

Excellent for portfolio prep for high school applications!

<http://wetpaintartstudio.com/id3.html>

### THE ARTS STUDENTS LEAGUE OF NY -- A NY Institution!

215 West 57th Street New York, New York 10019 [212-247-4510](tel:212-247-4510)

### APPLE FARM – ART AND MUSIC CAMP!

Creative and Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Fun Activities

<http://www.appelfarmartscamp.org/>

**LONG LAKE CAMP FOR THE ARTS** It's mainly performing arts- way upstate- beautiful and an amazing experience. I have heard great things about it from students and parents! <http://www.longlakecamp.com/>

**BELVOIR TERRACE**, a camp for visual and performing arts in Lenox, MA. [belvoirterrace.com](http://belvoirterrace.com)

**BUCKS ROCK PERFORMING & CREATIVE ARTS** <http://www.bucksrockcamp.com/>

**USDAN** – day camp; for those who want to specialize in art, music, theater – lovely location on LI.

<http://www.usdan.com/>



## **SPORTS**

Many of the camps mentioned above have sports programs, too.

### **KIDS OF SUMMER BASEBALL**

<http://www.kidsofsummer.com/>

**HARLEM RBI** <http://www.harlemrbi.org/>

### **THE BASEBALL CENTER**

<https://www.thebaseballcenter.com/camps/summer-camp/>

### **RANDALLS ISLAND SPORTS CAMP**

<http://randallsislandsportscamp.com/>

### **CHELSEA PIERS**

<http://www.chelseapiers.com/camps.cfm>

### **BASKETBALL CITY**

<http://basketballcity.com/bbc.php?misc=youth&city=newyork&page=summercamps>

"They have a summer day camp; you can go for one week or all summer. NBA players come in to work with the kids. They also have a CLYDE FRAZIER camp that my daughter loved."

### **NY KNICKS BASKETBALL CAMP @ BARUCH**

<http://yhst-14884623790530.stores.yahoo.net/new-york-knicks-summer-basketball-camp.html>

### **FUTSAL - SOCCER**

<https://www.milanjuniorcamp.us/default.aspx>

<https://www.milanjuniorcamp.us/plugins/camp/campdetail.aspx?campid=37>

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## **WRITING \* ACADEMIC**

**EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH at JOHN JAY** Listed Above

### **WRITOPIA LABS SUMMER PROGRAMS! Day and Sleepaway!**

<http://www.writopialab.org/summer-programs-landing-page.html> Write plays, musicals, study acting and performance; write fiction ,poetry; visit a publishing house or take a graphic novel or comic book seminar. There is a litany of literary learning happening!

### **CITY CAMP THROUGH JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY**

You need to take a test to qualify for this camp.

<http://cty.jhu.edu/summer/summer-programs.html>

Once you qualify, you have the opportunity to study a subject in great length that you are interested in for about 3 weeks. The great part about this is the courses are held at Universities throughout the country. Your child stays in a college dorm with other kids in his age group for three weeks. Besides the classes, they also have fun camp activities throughout the session. For example, a CS student stayed at Mount Holyoke in MA and studied Forensics. A friend of his went to Stanford University in CA and took a fun math class. They even offer courses at a college in Hawaii.

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## ENVIRONMENTA, ANIMALS AND BEYOND NYC

### Summer Sailing on the Hudson!

A number of CS kids have participated in and loved City Sail!

[hudsonsailing.org/citysail](http://hudsonsailing.org/citysail)

### CAMP CLEARWATER

It's an adventure-based leadership program based in Beacon, NY on the historic Hudson River. Students will develop self-confidence and learn new skills by being challenged both physically and mentally. They will develop a knowledge and respect for the natural world and leave the program having experienced first hand the history, ecology, and the culture of the Hudson River Valley. Co-ed, ages 13-15. Scholarships available.

<http://www.clearwater.org/education/education-pipeline/>

### PETIT GALOP- FOR HORSE LOVERS

[www.Petitgalop.com](http://www.Petitgalop.com)

It is horses 24/7. The girls take care of the horses, take riding lessons and have other chores. The small group dynamics are great! The camp does not have any other real facilities. They have a small above ground pool. It is located in Goshen, NY, near Harriman State Park. They usually go to the lake there about once a week. In the course of any two week session they typically also take them to a movie, go bowling or to a local amusement park. Last year the camp had students from France, and counselors from France, Germany and New Zealand. It is perfect for girls who just want to ride!

### Sea World Day Camp in Florida, California or Texas

<https://tinyurl.com/seaworldcamps>

### SeaCamp: <http://www.seacamp.org/default.htm>

in the Florida Keys - it's been around for 40 years. It is a Marine Biology Center located in Big Pine Key, Florida. They have a day camp and an overnite camp. While there the camper explores marine biology thru projects and classes, they snorkel in the waters of the Keys, learn to wind surf, kayak, & sail. Because it is a day camp and in Florida it is very reasonably priced. *SeaCamp also has an overnight program.*

### RECOMMENDED by "FRIENDS of the CHILDREN", a non-profit organization in NYC

*The top sleep away camps include:*

· Fresh Air Fund [www.freshair.org](http://www.freshair.org) (they offer home stays and sleep away camp - all free)

<http://www.freshair.org/summercamp>

· Star Lake Camp [www.starlakeyouthcamp.org](http://www.starlakeyouthcamp.org) (Sleep away in NJ run by the Salvation Army, \$25 for the week I believe)

· Trailblazers [www.trailblazers.org](http://www.trailblazers.org) (Sleep away in Sussex County NJ; very outdoorsy/large financial aid packages available)

· Camp Interactive [www.campinteractive.org](http://www.campinteractive.org) (technology and outdoorsy day & sleep away camp located in the Bronx)

· Mont Lawn Camp [www.montlawnretreats.com](http://www.montlawnretreats.com) (Bowery Mission - Kids with a Promise Program Camp; Christian Camp\*)

*Top Day Camps they recommend:*

Children Aid Society Sites (Drew Hamilton, Rhinelander, Milbank, Frederick Douglas, East Harlem Center)

<http://www.childrensaidsociety.org/camps>

Harlem Children's Zone Beacon Sites (Countee Cullen, Booker T, etc.)

<http://www.hcz.org-family-community-and-health/beacon-community-centers>

Oasis Children's Services <http://www.oasischildren.com/>

Camp Minisink <http://www.campuskids.com/CKMinisinkPage.htm>

YMCA (Harlem, Bronx and Manhattan) [http://www.ymca.net/find\\_ymca\\_camps/?state=NY](http://www.ymca.net/find_ymca_camps/?state=NY)

Parks Camps <http://www.nycgovparks.org/kids/>

Police Athletic League Camps

<http://www.palnyc.org/800-PAL-4KIDS/Program.aspx?id=16>