

The
Zoological
Society
of Milwaukee's



SUMMER ZOO CAMPS

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We know you're excited about our classes, and we want to make your child's educational experience rewarding. Please read and familiarize yourself with important information and policies on the last page.

STROLLER SAFARI

Age infant–2 with one adult | \$20 Zoo Pass members
\$30 non-members

Stroll through the Zoo on these guided tours tailored for one-on-one learning time with you and your child! Programs feature songs, puppets, stories and more. We recommend wearing close-toed shoes and bringing your stroller along. All classes begin in the atrium of the Conservation Education building. Tours take place outside rain or shine.

TIME TO PLAY

It's playtime at the Zoo! Are the monkeys jumping or swinging? Which animal's wild relatives use a leaf as an umbrella? Let's go find out as we learn songs about jumping monkeys and rainy days. Stretch and wiggle with us as we move our bodies in the way that animals do!

8:45–9:45 a.m. or 10:15–11:15 a.m.

June 5, 7, 12, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27

NEIGH, OINK, CLUCK, MOO

Explore the sights and sounds of our fantastic Northwestern Mutual Family Farm. Listen to the noisy cows, hear the grunting pigs, cluck along with the chickens and see if Nelson, the horse, will "neigh" for us. Get ready to practice animal sounds with your little one!

8:45–9:45 a.m. or 10:15–11:15 a.m.

July 11, 13, 16, 19, 21, 25, 27

August 2, 4, 7

AGE 2

with one adult | \$30 Zoo Pass members
\$40 non-members

COLOR ZOO

Red, yellow, green and blue — see the colors at the Zoo! From pink flamingos to green frogs, explore our vibrant classroom and play an animal color game as you learn about colors. Get your picture taken with your grown-up for your very own Color Zoo book and meet a colorful Zoo animal.

8:45–9:45 a.m. or 10:15–11:15 a.m.

June 6, 7, 11, 13, 15, 17, 21, 22, 25

LITTLE LOVE BUG

Buzz around a beehive and crawl through an anthill in our classroom garden. Learn about beautiful bugs as you make your own bug costume and use your wings to flutter from flower to flower. Then see some friendly bugs up close!

8:45–9:45 a.m. or 10:15–11:15 a.m.

July 25, 26, 29, 31

August 3, 7, 9, 11, 13, 14

AGE 3

with one adult

\$37 Zoo Pass members
\$47 non-members

PENGUIN POWER

Dive into the world of penguins! Slide on your belly, balance an egg on your feet and “swim” after fish like a penguin. Waddle over to see the Zoo’s penguins and check out some cool penguin eggs and feathers.

8:45-10:15 a.m. or 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

June 5, 6, 10, 13, 16, 18, 21, 22

GENTLE GIANT GIRAFFES

Even grown-ups feel small next to a giraffe. Uncover fun facts about the world’s tallest animals as you create a giraffe, complete with a long neck, dark tongue and lots of spots! Bend, stretch, reach and even ‘gallop’ through the Zoo to see these long-legged creatures.

8:45-10:15 a.m. or 11-12:30 p.m.

June 27

July 2, 8, 10, 12, 13, 18, 21, 23

PODER DE PINGUINO

¡Sumérgete en el mundo de los pingüinos! Deslízate sobre tu estómago, equilibra un huevo sobre tus pies y “nada” en busca de peces como un pingüino. Acérquese para ver los pingüinos del zoológico y vea algunos huevos y plumas de pingüino geniales.

8:45-10:15 a.m. or 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

June 15

BEARS, OH MY!

Catch fish, sniff out a ‘snack’ and crawl into our cozy classroom den as you learn about bears. Touch real bear fur and make your own furry costume. Then visit the Zoo’s bears to round out a “beary” good time.

8:45-10:15 a.m. or 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

August 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12, 14



Photo by Carolyn Lewis

AGES 4 & 5

child only or with one adult

\$45 Zoo Pass members
\$55 non-members

Sign up your child for a **Child-Only** class or
or attend with your child in a **with Adult** class.

THE DINOS AND ME

Take a trip to the past and explore the fascinating world of dinosaurs! Dig for dino bones, practice your stegosaurus stomp and make your own prehistoric costume. Then, take a trek to visit the Zoo's special dinosaur exhibit, where you'll come face to face and see how you size up to some of these mysterious creatures.

Child Only

9:15-11:30 a.m. or 1:00-3:15 p.m.

June 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20

With Adult

9:15-11:30 a.m. or 1:00-3:15 p.m.

June 22, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29

TIGERS

Do you spend your day stalking, springing, scratching and swimming? You would if you were a tiger! Discover how tigers mark their territory and use their tails to communicate. Make your own tiger costume, practice stalking prey and pounce over to see the Zoo's tigers in action.

Child Only

9:15-11:30 a.m. or 1:00-3:15 p.m.

July 1, 3, 19, 20, 21

With Adult

9:15-11:30 a.m. or 1:00-3:15 p.m.

July 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18



Photo by Peter Zuzga

JUNIOR ZOOKEEPER

Do you want to be a zookeeper when you grow up? If so, this class is just for you! We'll work hard as we practice the three main jobs of a zookeeper: feeding, cleaning and helping. Join us as we learn about these fun (and messy!) zookeeper jobs.

Child Only

9:15-11:30 a.m. or 1:00-3:15 p.m.

June 10, 12, 14

July 1, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

August 12, 13, 14

9:15-11:30 a.m. ONLY

July 2

JR. WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST

Craft your own binoculars and nature journal to use as you journey around the Zoo like a wildlife biologist "in the field." Which animals did you see on your adventure and what captured your interest the most? Trek back to the classroom to design a model of your favorite animal in the wild or in their zoo habitat.

With Adult

9:15-11:30 a.m. or 1:00-3:15 p.m.

July 27, 28

August 3, 4, 10, 12, 13



Photo by Garrett Hopkins

AGE 4 & 5 WEEKLONG CAMP

child only | \$285 Zoo Pass members
\$325 non-members

ZOO TRAVELERS

Let's explore the natural world and the plants and animals that call it home. With the Zoo as our backyard follow your curiosities as you explore scientific concepts in a new way. Together, we'll build a strong sense of community as we embark on this scientific journey.

8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 12:30-3:30 p.m.

July 15-19

July 22-26

July 29-August 2

August 5-9

8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m ONLY

July 8-12



Photo by
Richard Brodzeller

AGES 6 & 7 SINGLE DAY

child only

\$85 Zoo Pass members
\$95 non-members

UNCOVERING DINOS

Travel back in time to when the dinosaurs roamed the Earth! Become a dinosaur expert as you explore the Zoo's special dinosaur exhibit. We will learn about dinosaur adaptations, how fossils are formed and visit their living relatives. Toss on your paleontologist gear as you practice digging for and identifying fossils!

9:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

June 11

July 1, 3, 15, 16, 25, 26, 29, 30

August 12, 13, 14

ZOO AWAKENS

Come aboard our starship to explore the planets and ecosystems of galaxies, far, far away! Hone your skills, build your crew and become a master in order to save the animals and restore freedom to the galactic empire! May the Zoo be with you!

9:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

June 10, 11, 12

July 1, 3, 10, 11, 12, 29, 30

August 8

CALLING ALL ZOO ARTISTS!

Love art? Love animals? Why not bring the two together as you explore the Zoo, searching for and creating art inspired by animals! Get creative and learn about how to use shapes, textures and colors to create some animal masterpieces!

9:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

June 12, 13, 14

July 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 31

August 1, 2

BIG CATS

Crazy about cats? Make some new feline friends as you visit the Zoo's big cats. Take a tour around the world as you learn about the cats' habitats and adaptations that help them survive in some extreme climates. Plus, discover what makes these big cats some of the toughest predators in the world. Cat AND dog lovers welcome!

9:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

June 10, 11, 12, 24, 25, 28

July 1, 8, 16, 17, 18, 19

August 12, 13, 14



Photo by
Garrett Hopkins

AGE 6 & 7 WEEKLONG CAMPS

child only

\$330 Zoo Pass members

\$380 non-members

NEW!

ZOOKEEPERS IN TRAINING

Get the inside scoop on how keepers care for the tiniest, largest, furriest, slimiest, most dangerous and cutest animals at the Zoo! Join us for a thrilling weeklong adventure as we immerse ourselves in the world of zookeeping. Practice your zookeeper skills by learning the art of animal training, creating animal puzzles and even going behind-the-scenes!

9:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

June 17–21, 24–28

July 15–19, 22–26, 29–August 2

August 5–9

ZOOOPER HEROES

Look up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's a Zooper Hero! Lightning speed, strength and invisibility – superheroes have awesome powers to help save the world. In this weeklong camp, become a Zooper Hero as you complete challenges and discover "super-powered" animals around the Zoo!

9:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

June 17–21

July 8–12, 22–26, 29–August 2

August 5–9



Photo by Brian Luttamus

AGES 8 & 9 SINGLE DAY

child only

\$85 Zoo Pass members

\$95 non-members

WHAT'S UP, DOC?

Aspiring animal caretakers, grab your gloves and get ready to learn about one of the most important jobs at the Zoo! As a veterinarian in training, you'll learn how to keep more than 2,000 animals happy and healthy! Practice conducting health reports and learn about important medical tools. Give this camp a shot and see if being an animal "doc" is in your future!

9:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

June 17, 18, 19

July 24, 25, 26

August 1, 2

A DAY IN THE PAWS

An ant might see us as towering giants; an elephant might see us as an ant on the ground! Every day zookeepers must put themselves in the "paws" of animals in order to care for them and learn how they may be thinking or feeling. Put your perspective goggles on as we investigate how different critters experience the world!

9:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

June 13, 14, 24, 25

August 5, 6, 7

NATURE CAN BE GROSS

Explore the weird and wild side of nature! From scat, to mucus, to special animal relationships, nature sure can make us say "ewww." Discover how animals are connected and depend on one another - including their poop!

9:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

June 13, 14, 26, 27

July 3, 15

AGES 8 & 9 3-DAY CAMPS

child only

\$200 Zoo Pass members

\$230 non-members

ANIMALS AFTER DARK

Picture yourself on the night shift in this 3-day camp! Dive into the mysterious world of nocturnal creatures and unlock their secrets. Explore the Zoo to witness exotic night-dwellers and rise to the challenge to create the ultimate nocturnal animal. Get ready for an unforgettable journey into the darkness!

9:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

June 26-28

July 22-24

August 12-14





Photo by Garrett Hopkins

AGES 8 & 9 WEEKLONG CAMPS

child only

\$330 Zoo Pass members
\$380 non-members

LET'S GET WILD: KOHL'S WILD THEATER CAMP

Love being creative and telling stories? Immerse yourself in the captivating world of theater! Hone your acting skills, delve into creative roles like playwrighting and design, master puppetry and seek inspiration from the wonders of the Zoo to fuel your artistry. Join us for an week of fun and become a Junior Member of the Kohl's Wild Theater company!

9:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

June 17-21
July 15-19

NEW!

MAKERS FOR A MISSION

Grab your pencil, paintbrush and creativity as we go on a mission to save habitats all over the world! Learn about different Zoo animals and their cousins that live in the wild. In this weeklong adventure, you will use your artistic skills to create projects that inspire others to protect these magnificent creatures and their homes!

9:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

June 17-21, 24-28
July 8-12
August 5-9

AGES 10 – 13 SINGLE DAY

child only

\$85 Zoo Pass members

\$95 non-members

VET CAMP

An elephant with an earache? A tiger with tendonitis? A fish that needs a physical? Zoo veterinarians meet challenges like these every day in order to keep animals happy and healthy. Through hands-on activities, learn skills to help prevent, diagnose and treat injuries and illnesses in animals. Discover how the Zoo's healthcare specialists treat the largest and smallest of the animal patients that live here!

9:15 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

June 24, 25

July 1, 11, 12, 31

ZOO CAREERS: EXHIBIT DESIGN

Desert, rainforest, tundra or ocean. How do we make our animals at the Zoo feel at home in Wisconsin? Explore the intersection of engineering and animal science by learning about the specialized work involved in designing animal exhibits! Examine habitats, peek behind the scenes and design your own exhibit to meet the needs of an animal!

9:15 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

June 20, 28

July 9, 10, 29, 30

AGES 10 – 13 2-DAY CAMP

child only

\$140 Zoo Pass members

\$160 non-members

VERSUS

NEW!

Lion vs. tiger; American badger vs. honey badger. If some of the fiercest animals were to challenge each other, who may be victorious? We'll take a closer look at what adaptations it would take to be the victor in such a match. Be prepared... the answers may surprise you! Then create your "ultimate" animal capable of besting the rest of the animal kingdom.

9:15 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

June 10-11

July 15-16

August 5-6

ANIMAL SYMBOLISM

NEW!

To many cultures, animals hold special meanings. They can reflect our wisdom, power, humor and even things like evil! Explore the world of animal symbolism – how human cultures give special meaning to animal traits and skills. Learn about animals that live right here at the Zoo and the cultures where they are important symbols. Make an animal mask, learn about your Chinese zodiac animal and find out what animal symbolizes you!

9:15 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

July 8-9

August 1-2



AGES 10 – 13 3-DAY CAMP

child only

\$200 Zoo Pass members
\$230 non-members

NATURE THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

Explore global and local nature while learning how to use a map and compass. Practice water quality monitoring by performing water testing at the Zoo's Lake Evinrude. On the final day design a stewardship poster of how you take care of your favorite green space in nature.

9:15 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

July 17–19

August 12–14

AGES 10 – 13 WEEKLONG CAMPS

child only

\$330 Zoo Pass members
\$380 non-members

NEW!

LET'S GET WILD-ER! KOHL'S WILD THEATER CAMP PART II

Want to dive deeper into being a Junior Kohl's Wild Theater member? Level up your performance skills and learn more about how storytelling creates empathy for animals and inspires audiences to take conservation action. By the end of the week, you will have the skills and the experience to inspire change through theater, just like Kohl's Wild Theater! *No previous experience necessary.*

9:15 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

July 22–26

August 5–9



Photo by Brian Luttamus

AGES 13 – 15 3-DAY CAMP

child only

\$250 Zoo Pass members

\$280 non-members

NEW!

ZOO CAREERS: IF I RAN THE ZOO

Conquer the ropes course, feed the Zoo's gentle giants and be immersed in the world of Virtual Reality as we dive deep into the world of zoo operations. Every day will be filled with excitement and new discoveries as campers learn about our conservation programs and collaborate to envision a brand-new experience for future Zoo guests. Join us as we explore, create and innovate together.

Camp price includes all attraction tickets.

9:15 a.m.–3 p.m.

July 30–August 1

August 12–14



Photo by Bob Wickland

FAMILY CLASS

all ages

\$17 Zoo Pass members

\$27 non-members

While we welcome family members of all ages, the content of these classes are intended for children ages 3–14. Minimum of two registrants required and must include one adult (18 years or older) and one child. Children under the age of 1 are free to attend and do not need to be registered.

NOT ALL FAMILIES WHO WANDER ARE LOST

Prepare to go on your own Wisconsin wildlife hike after learning how to use a compass, spot birds with binoculars and identify key plants. Bring your family to the Zoo and learn from our animals what it takes to survive in the forest in Wisconsin.

9:15–11:30 a.m. or 1:00–3:15 p.m.

June 23, 29

TALES OF TAILS

What stuns and swats? What explains and entertains? Tails and tales! Discover fascinating tales about animals and test out different tails to see if you can use one as well as an animal can. We'll grab hold of some gripping tales about tails out in the Zoo before you create your very own tale and tails!

9:15–11:30 a.m. or 1:00–3:15 p.m.

July 20

August 3, 4

AGES 14-18

Unlock an exciting summer adventure! Are you 14-18 years old, passionate about science, animals and community involvement? Join us as a High School Assistant and support our amazing Zoo Camps. It's a chance to grow, make like-minded friends and contribute to wildlife education. Visit zoosociety.org/HSA for more details! Don't miss out on the opportunity to learn, inspire and have a blast volunteering at the Zoo.



Photo by Richard Taylor



Photo by Garrett Hopkins



Photo by Bob Wickland

A.M. & P.M. Care

Need to drop your child off early or extend the camp day? We have A.M. & P.M. Care for ages 6-15!

A.M. & P.M. Care participants are supervised in our camp classroom with free-choice activities such as coloring, puzzles, books and games. Please note: A.M. & P.M. Care are only available for children who attend camps for ages 6-15.

- A.M. Care: 8 a.m. until the start of the camp day (\$15 per session).
- P.M. Care: 3 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. (\$20 per session).
Late fees apply after 5:15 p.m.
- A.M. Care & P.M. Care will NOT be offered on July 2nd and 3rd.
- **Space is limited.**

Financial Aid

The Conservation Education department is committed to providing a welcoming and inclusive environment for all our guests, ensuring that everyone can access our Zoo education opportunities. Financial Aid is an opportunity for families and individuals to receive funds for Zoo Classes and Camps. Award is based on demonstration of financial need and is offered on a first-come, first-served basis within the application window.

Visit zoosociety.org/education/financial-aid for more information.



Photo by Paul Ruffolo



Get your Zoo Camp T-shirt for Summer 2024!

Zoo Camp T-shirts aren't just for campers! It's more fun when you match with family and friends. This year's design was inspired by our Rhinoceros Hornbill's Victor and Vianna. You can purchase T-shirts via our registration site until **April 12, 2024**.

Youth sizes | \$13

Adult sizes | \$15

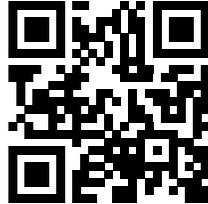
All T-shirt sales are final.

Join us for an exclusive open house on June 4 (1-5 p.m.) or June 8 (10-2 p.m.)! Pick up your pre-ordered shirts, explore our education building on a guided tour and conveniently complete any necessary medical paperwork. We hope to see you there!

Register Online for Priority at [Zoosociety.org/summer](https://zoosociety.org/summer)

Member online registration begins February 21 at 9 a.m.
Non-member registration begins February 28 at 9 a.m.

Check our FAQ by
scanning the QR Code!



Call our staff with questions or concerns at 414-258-5058.

PLEASE READ!

GENERAL CLASS POLICIES

- Participants must be the appropriate age for a given class and no unregistered children may attend (including siblings). Exceptions on age are only made for children with special needs (please call Education prior to registration).
- If your child is attending a child-only class, an adult (18 years or older) must check the child in and provide the following information: emergency phone number, allergies/medications and names of adults authorized for pickup.
- Only authorized adults with valid identification may pick up children.
- Please do not meet or follow your child's group into the Zoo, as this is a distraction to the educational experience.

ANTICIPATE ENTRANCE GATE LINES

The time required to enter the Zoo can vary depending on weather, road construction, school groups and events. Please plan to arrive early. You may check your confirmation email or call the Conservation Education Department in advance of your registered education program for the most up-to-date entry information. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

CANCELLATIONS & REIMBURSEMENT

You Cancel – If you're unable to attend class, call at least 3 days before the class date and we will try to reschedule your child for another available date this season. We do not issue refunds; however, you can offer your child's class to a friend of the same age.

We Cancel – The Conservation Education Department reserves the right to cancel classes. We will attempt to reschedule, accommodate your child in another class, or process a reimbursement. For weather-related cancellations, refer to local news stations or call **414-258-5058**.



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