

Let the
ADVENTURE
begin..

Great Basin Naturalists
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE CAMP in Galena Park
Ten weeks of Adventure • Learning • Fun for Youth Ages 8 - 12.

Photos courtesy of Deborah Seiler.

This summer, give your child the opportunity to become a butterfly expert, a Junior Ranger, or a paleontologist, and still have time to play and dream in the great outdoors. Our goal is to provide kids with the opportunity to explore the outdoors in a safe, fun, nurturing, and engaging setting. Each day, campers will play and explore in Galena Creek Park while learning about the rich natural and cultural history of Nevada, from streams and trees to bears and bugs. They'll meet special guests like firefighters and scientists, complete service learning projects, and enjoy Friday field trips that range from visits with a storytellers to overnight camping. Parents may register their children for individual weeks or the entire session. For more information, email dseiler@thegreatbasininstitute.org, or call (775) 849-4948.

June 13-17 **BECOMING A NATURALIST**
When you walk outside, what do you see? Learn to use your powers of observation to find and understand your plant and animal neighbors, while developing wonder and curiosity for the natural world.

June 20 - 24 **FOREST RANGERS**
Hike through the woods as you learn what it takes for forests to grow and survive in our harsh climate. As the week goes by, you'll complete training and activities to become certified as a Galena Creek Regional Park Junior Ranger.

June 27 - July 1 **ANCIENT SECRETS**
Volcanoes, earthquakes, floods, dinosaurs, and more. Discover what lies beneath the surface this week as you explore Nevada's geology, fossils, and archaeology.

July 5 - 8 **WILD WEATHER**
What causes the weather? Learn about the 'life cycle' of storms, wind, and climate patterns. In addition, you'll learn about the special weather and behavior of wild-fires and their impact. Meet forest firefighters and make your own weather report.

July 11 - 15 **BUGS AND BUTTERFLIES**
What tastes with its feet, hears with its legs, and makes the desert bloom? Swallow your squeamishness, and get ready to learn about our littlest - and most important -wildlife with a look at the insects of Washoe County and beyond.

July 18 - 22 **WATER PLANET**
Seventy percent of the Earth's surface is water, and this week you'll learn about Washoe County's aquatic world by exploring streams, ponds, and lakes. You'll also learn how to protect your desert wildlife and cities with water conservation. This will be a hot summer week in the water, so bring your water shoes and bathing suit!

July 25 - 29 **NATURE IN STORIES AND ART**
Find your inspiration in nature in this week during five days of theater, art, nature writing and poetry, and environmentally-friendly crafts. Listen to Native American storytellers, learn the life history of wildlife on forest hikes, and write and illustrate your own book.

August 1 - 5 **ECOSYSTEMS OF NEVADA**
From parched desert basins to stormy alpine ridges, Nevada hosts a wide range of conditions that plants, animals, and people have adapted to and call home. Discover the varied wild lands of Galena Creek Park and beyond.

August 8 - 12 **DESIGNATION: WILDERNESS**
By the end of the week, you'll be prepared for wilderness survival and outdoor adventures in the Sierras. Learn to cook, make shelter, orienteer, and plan expeditions, then complete the week with an overnight camping trip. *Note: Thursday-Friday will be a supervised front-country overnight camping adventure.*

August 15 - 19 **ANIMAL ADAPTATIONS**
From the biggest bear to the smallest ant, the animals of Galena Creek park have an impressive array of adaptations to deal with heat, cold, drought, and finding food. Prepare for tracking, fishing, birding and more this week as you learn how to find animals, how they live, and how you can protect them.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DISCOVERY! Great Basin Institute will provide eight full scholarships each week for eligible campers! For more information about scholarships or the summer camp program, contact Deborah Seiler, Environmental Education Coordinator at (775) 849-4948 or by email at dseiler@GBinstitute.org. *Our scholarship program has been made possible with the support of the Nell J. Redfield Foundation. We thank them for their generous support of our programs!*

Great Basin Naturalists
REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete one application per child, and return with payment to: 16750 Mt. Rose Hwy, Reno, NV 89511.

WHEN: Monday-Friday 9AM to 5PM. Upon request, parents may drop off their children as early as 7:30AM for pre-camp activities, and pickup can be extended to 5:30PM upon request. **TUITION:** \$195 per week with the exception of July 5 - 8, which is \$165. Payment is due at time of application. Sibling discount is 10% off second or more registrations from the same family. Eight full scholarships will be available each week. Contact 775-849-4948 for application instructions.

Camper Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Parent's e-mail address _____

2010-2011 grade _____ School _____

Age on arrival to camp _____ Birthday (mo/day/year) _____

- Check desired session(s):**
- June 13 - 17 **Becoming a Naturalist**
 - June 20 - 24 **Forest Rangers**
 - June 27 - July 1 **Ancient Secrets**
 - July 5 - 8 (4 day session) **Wild Weather**
 - July 11 - 15 **Bugs and Butterflies**
 - July 18 - 22 **Water Planet**
 - July 25 - 29 **Nature in Stories and Art**
 - August 1 - 5 **Ecosystems of Nevada**
 - August 8 - 12 **Designation: Wilderness**
 - August 15 - 19 **Animal Adaptations**

Great Basin Naturalists Environmental Science Camp is a program of Great Basin Institute in partnership with Washoe County Regional Parks & Open Space. For more information about Great Basin Institute or our programs, please visit our website at www.thegreatbasininstitute.org or call (775) 849-4948.