

Children Summer Camp Options 2008

Bloorview Kids Rehab-Spring/Summer Centre for the Arts

The Centre for the Arts at Bloorview Kids Rehab offers a wide range of year round art and music programs, workshops and events for children and youth of all abilities. Programs are integrated with priority given to those with special needs unless otherwise stated. A limited number of spaces are available. Programs run in 10 weeks sessions unless otherwise specified.

Phone: 416-425-6220

Address: 150 Kilgour Road Toronto

Intersection: Bayview & Eglinton

<http://www.bloorview.ca/centreforthearts>

CARD-Community Association for Riding for the Disabled

Therapeutic horseback riding for children, youth and adults with developmental disabilities. Cost is \$330 per 10 week session.

Phone: (416)-667-8600

Address: 4777 Dufferin St., North York

Intersection: Dufferin & Finch

<http://www.card.ca>

Contemporary Care Summer Camp

For campers with developmental challenges (special needs). Camp offers sports activities, weekly field trips, and swimming - all activities maintain an educational component. The camp consists of 9 weekly sessions at \$170.00 per week. Contact Elaine Johnson for further details.

Phone: 416-760-7232

Address: 20 Black Creek Boulevard, Toronto

Intersection: Black Creek & Jane

<http://www.contemporarycaresolutions.com>

DramaWay

DramaWay provides a creative outlet for both you and old. Using dramatic techniques, participants are led down the paths of discovery. Participants are given the opportunity to engage in drama and other art forms. DramaWay places emphasis on the process of creation, and the experience of the journey. For all abilities.

Phone: 416-614-1078

Address: 30 Birch Avenue & 3739 Kingston Road

Intersection: Summerhill/Yonge and Kingston Rd. /Scarborough Golf Club

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

East Metro Youth Services

Galloway summer respite program for youth between the ages of 12-24 with a mild to moderate level of functioning. Program is running Monday to Friday in July and August. Participants must be able to operate under a 4:1 ratio for support. Approx cost \$130/week.

Phone: Deborah Kernohan-Castillo at 416-438-3697 ext 259

Address: 1200 Markham Road, Toronto

Intersection: Markham Rd. & Ellesmere Rd.

<http://www.emys.on.ca>

GiddyUp! Summer Camp

At GiddyUp! campers of all abilities and ages are encouraged to develop a partnership with their horse based on mutual trust, respect and communication. Campers ride and ground work their horses twice daily. Each camper will be assigned a specific horse suited to their ability level and

they will work with that horse for the duration of the week. All riding instruction is on a on-to-one basis so that each lesson can be customized to the camper's abilities. Ages 6 and up. Cost is \$480/week and runs from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm daily.

Phone: 905-642-8001

Address: 4852 Vandorf Sideroad, Stouffville

Intersection: Vandorf Rd. & Hwy. 48

Meta Centre

Summer services are provided at all four locations depending on community demand, during the months of July and August. Services are recreation and leisure based, with an emphasis on community access, but also including centre-based activities.

Phone: 416-736-0199

Address: 401 Champagne Dr.

Intersection: Finch & Dufferin

<http://www.metacentre.ca>

Reach for the Rainbow

Reach for the Rainbow develops integrated summer camp opportunities to provide children and youth with physical and/or developmental disabilities to participate in typical summer camps.

Reach for the Rainbow contracts accessible transit companies to enable children with physical disabilities to attend day camp programs in Toronto.

Phone: 416-503-0088

<http://www.reachfortherainbow.ca>

Reena

Summer Recreation North- Located at Toby and Henry Battle Centre at 927 Clark Ave West, Thornhill. Summer recreation program for ages 7-35 with a developmental disability and who lives **NORTH** of Lawrence Ave.

Summer Recreation South- Located at Miles Nadal Jewish Community Centre, 750 Spadina Ave (Bloor & Spadina). Summer recreation is for ages 7-18 with a developmental disability who lives **SOUTH** of Lawrence Ave.

These programs are offered for eight weeks of the summer (Mon-Fri.) They offer community outings such as Wild Water Kingdom, Canada's Wonderland, etc as well as games, arts, crafts and swimming. Transportation to the program is NOT provided. Extra costs for 1:1 support

Phone: 905-889-2690 ext 2116, Leora Kaiser

<http://www.reena.org>

St. Bernadette's Family Resource Centre

Summer Camp serves children 2 ½ to 12 years old. Their programs offer recreational activities in an inclusive environment for children with intellectual/physical challenges and their "able" peers.

Activities include: free play, arts and crafts, science and discovery, sports, music/drama, group activities and games, field trips and swimming. Program runs Monday - Friday 8:00am – 6:00pm.

Registration begins first week of May.

Cost: \$90.00 per week 8am-6pm

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Phone: 416-654-9810

Address: Humber Sheppard Community Centre, 3100 Weston Rd.

Intersection: Weston Rd. & Sheppard

<http://www.stbernadettesfrc.org>

Summerskills Camp

(STEP Program - Specialized Therapeutic Education for Physical Skills)

SummerSkills is a unique summer day camp program for children 3 to 19 years of varied abilities.

We emphasize the development of physical, social and independent daily living skills through activities such as cycling, creative arts, music, interactive games and outings.

Phone: 905-642-8001

Address: Willow Wood School 55 Scarsdale

Intersection: Lawrence & Leslie

<http://www.stepsprograms.com>

Toronto Parks and Recreation

North York Adapted and Integrated Services-(NORTH).

Registration for Summer Camp begins on **March 4th**

Phone: 416-395-6183

<http://www.toronto.ca/parks/ntorontofun.htm>

Toronto and East York District Adapted and Integrated Services- (SOUTH)

Registration for Summer Camp begins on **March 5th**.

Phone: 416-392-0743.

<http://www.toronto.ca/parks/storontofun.htm>

Etobicoke/York District Adapted and Integrated Services- (WEST)

Registration for Summer Camp begins on **March 1st**.

Phone: 416-394-8533.

<http://www.toronto.ca/parks/wtorontofun.htm>

Scarborough District Adapted and Integrated Services-(EAST)

Registration for Summer Camp begins on **March 2nd**.

Phone: 416-396-7760.

<http://www.toronto.ca/parks/etorontofun.htm>

Variety Village

Summer Camp programs (July 3- Sept 1) for individuals with and without a disability. Various Sport camps for children ages 3-20 to provide the opportunity to be physically active. Each camp is a combination of sports, games and training activities. Cost ranges from \$110/week to \$235 for members and \$125-\$265 for non-members.

Phone: (416)-699-7167

<http://www.varietyontario.ca/html/Village.htm>

Yes I can! Nursery Day Camp

Yes I Can is a non-profit integrated preschool program that offers a summer camp for children aged 2 1/2 - 5 years old living in Toronto.

Phone: (416)486-4911

Address: 100 Ranleigh Ave.

Intersection: Yonge and Lawrence

<http://www.yesicannurseryschool.com>

YMCA

YMCA Day Camps partners with Reach for the Rainbow to provide Day Camp experiences for children with a variety of special needs. A limited number of spaces are available for children requiring one-to-one staff support.

Phone: (905) 859-9622 ext. 232

<http://www.ymcatoronto.org>

Blooming Acres

Located in **Oro Station**, Ontario Blooming Acres is a residential care, respite, educational program and summer camp experience for children, teenagers and adults diagnosed with Autism, Asperger's and Pervasive Developmental Disorders. Weekly sessions are available throughout

the months of July and August. To speak to staff about availability, fees and to book a camp experience, please call.

Phone: 705-487-3076

<http://www.bloomingacres.com>

Camp Awakening

Camp Awakening offers young people with physical disabilities, ages 10 to 18, the opportunity to enjoy wilderness expeditions and outdoor recreational activities. There are two camps, Kilcoo Camp for boys in the Haliburton Highlands and Camp Oconto in **Land'o'Lakes just north of Kingston**. There are four two-week sessions during the summer and campers are grouped according to their age.

Phone: 416-487-8400

<http://www.campawakening.com>

Camp Kennebec

Camp Kennebec staff are committed to providing each camper with a positive and memorable camping experience. The summer staff consists of Special Education Teachers, Classroom Teachers, Social Workers, Parents and Experienced Camping Professionals and are selected from their experience working with children and teens, their understanding of Special Needs, their attitude towards people and their skills in Outdoor activities. Our ratio of 2:1 (campers to staff) allows for individual attention and the development of a positive learning experience. Our "atmosphere" may be zany yet combined with our staff's expertise; your child will grow individually as well as socially. Located in the **Land'o'Lakes just north of Kingston**.

Phone: 877-335-2114

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

Camp Kodiak

Kodiak campers range in age from 6-18 and include children & teens with and without learning disabilities, attention deficit disorder & Asperger Syndrome. They come from Canada, the U.S.A. and around the world.

Starting this summer, we are offering a program called Club Kodiak on our current site which is located **near Parry Sound**. Club Kodiak will provide a safe and structured environment tailored to meet the needs of young adults aged 19+.

Phone: (877) 569-7595

<http://www.campkodiak.com>

Camp Maple Leaf

Banyan Community Services has owned and operated Camp Maple Leaf since 1995. Since that time the camp has offered adventure based experiences to children from varying backgrounds.

The primary focus of our summer program is to provide a quality camp experience to children who would not otherwise have the opportunity to attend camp. At Camp Maple Leaf our summer season is broken down into seven 1-week sessions. During that time we aim to offer a summer camp experience to children who would not otherwise have the opportunity to attend camp. We offer a fun, safe and enjoyable atmosphere for children from across Southern Ontario. For children to young adults. Camp Maple Leaf is located **north east of Peterborough**. Ages 5-16.

Phone: 905-545-0133

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

Camp Prospect

Offers year round and summer camp experiences to children, teens and adults with special needs. Located **outside of Barrie**, they offer a tiered support system based on an individuals needs. Cost for a week of summer camp ranges from \$900-\$1600 based on support need.

Phone: Camp Director is Giancarlo Marchi at (705)-735-0129

<http://campprospect.com>

Camp Robin Hood

Camp Robin Hood's programs allow campers to experience a wide variety of activities during their stay at camp. Camping is a great social experience for all of us. It is even more gratifying when you see staff and campers of all abilities able to accept each other as they are. They are very proud of their inclusion program and their Director Sari Grossinger, a pediatric Occupational Therapist and her team of professionals, continue to coordinate their efforts and work with the counselling staff to ensure a successful summer for all. Please contact Sari to discuss registration options for you child as soon as possible. Day camp is located in Markham and overnight is located **near Bancroft**. Ages 7-16 years old.

Phone: 416-736-4443

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

Camp Winston

A special needs camp located on **Sparrow Lake in Muskoka**. They serve children with Tourette's, ADHD, ODD, Learning disabilities, OCD and Anxiety Disorder for July. For August, they accommodate boys and girls aged 6-15 with a diagnosis of Autism/P.D.D.

**Camp Winston has an extensive waiting list for our summer camp program. To be eligible for future camp spaces your child must be on our waiting list (can access via website). Each February we select campers by order of the date they were registered on our waiting list. If a space opens up for your child we will contact you directly. You can expect a two to three year wait for our summer camp program. This wait can be less, so don't be discouraged. We strongly suggest younger children to be placed on our waiting list (4 to 5 year olds) **

Phone: 905-707-3427

<http://www.campwinston.com>

HandiCamp

HandiCamp is staffed by fun-loving, caring, godly men and women. Summer staff members are hired as counselors and activities leaders only after undergoing a careful application and screening process. The program is planned and supervised by staff who have a variety of educational backgrounds and experiences working with people with disabilities. They provide a 1:1 staff/camper ratio. Ages 9-19.

Phone: 1-905-549-9810

<http://www.bcmintl.ca/HV/handicamp.htm>

Kinark

A supported residential summer camp experience in **Haliburton** for Children aged 10-16 who require a high level of social and/or behavioral supports including high functioning Autism and Asperger's Disorder.

Phone: 705-286-3555 Toll-Free: 800-805-8252

<http://www.koc.on.ca>

Ko-Ach Adventures

Ko-Ach Adventures is a non-profit organization catering wilderness adventure and therapeutic programming for persons with autism, persons with special needs and persons at risk. Their clients include both organizations who sponsor an organization focused trip as well as individuals who are matched based on their need to specific trips. The camp is located in **Temagami**.

Phone: 416-763-6339

<http://www.ko-achadventures.com>

Reena

Weekend Retreat at Camp Northland- Reena has an integration opportunity with Camp Northland, located on **Moose Lake in the Haliburton Highlands**. It is a fully functioning overnight camp that offers many land and water activities. There are three weekend options available for Summer Recreation participants. For participants in the North or South summer program for the week, the participants will be going up to Camp Northland on Thursday and

returning to Reena on Monday Transportation to and from Camp Northland is provided. The camp is NOT accessible for wheelchairs. Judaism is an integral part of camp culture and every Friday evening campers dress in blue and white to observe Shabbat. This program is for children ages 7-15.

Phone: 905-889-2690 ext 2116, Leora Kaiser

<http://www.reena.org>

Shadow Lake Camp

Residential camping program for people with a disability ages 7 and up. Located in **Stouffville** and run by Community Living. Average staff to guest ratio is 3 to 1 but they have limited support available for 1 to 1 staffing.

Phone: (905)-640-6432

<http://www.shadowlakecentre.ca>

The Easter Seal Society

Camp Merrywood

Easter Seals Camp Merrywood is located on a beautiful peninsula stretching out into Big Rideau Lake. The camp sits on 30 acres of land between Smiths Falls and Perth in Eastern Ontario.

Three camper cabins accommodate up to 72 campers per session. At Merrywood, campers are exhilarated by adventurous activities on land, on the lake surrounding the camp, or off-site on a canoe or overnight trip. Merrywood boasts sailing and kayaking facilities as well as a full waterfront program. A specially adapted swimming pool is on site.

Camp Woodeden

Overlooking the Thames River on the **outskirts of London**, Easter Seals Camp Woodeden is situated on 106 acres of beautifully landscaped ground that includes an accessible tree house, collection of trees/plants from around the world, and beautiful Japanese influenced architecture. At Woodeden, campers expand their leadership abilities through a myriad of creative arts programs and multi-sports activities As well as North America's only fully accessible high ropes course. Approximately 64 campers attend Woodeden per session.

Phone: 1-800-668-6252 ext 325

<http://www.easterseals.org/services/camp/#>