



# Roaring Brook Nature Center DISCOVERY DAYS Summer 2015

Roaring Brook Nature Center's "SUMMER 2015" Discovery Programs offer your child a unique blend of education and recreation that takes advantage of the curiosity and sense of wonder that all children feel towards the natural world around them.

Grade levels are those your child will enter in the fall. There is a \$5 discount for each additional class a child attends. Use the attached registration form (no phone / e-mail registrations accepted).

**Enrollment is limited so register early.**

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** A limited number of **partial scholarships** are available.

Call the Nature Center for information (860) 693-0263. **Deadline for applications – June 1**

**PAYMENT / REFUND POLICY:** A \$20.00 non-refundable deposit **must** accompany each class registration (amount of deposit is included in the total class cost).

**BALANCE IS DUE JUNE 1 FOR ALL CLASSES.**

For cancellations after June 8, balance will be refunded **only** if your child's place can be filled.

## PROGRAMS FOR 3 1/2 & 4 YEAR OLDS:      Limit: 12 students per class

Child must be four years old by January 1, 2016 OR have had one year of nursery school.

Participants should bring a snack daily (**no peanut products please**).

**Do You See What I See?      June 23 – 26<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday - Friday)      9:00 - 11:45am**

Use your senses to uncover mysteries in the outdoors.      **Members: \$120.00      Nonmembers: \$130.00**



## PROGRAMS FOR 4 & 5 YEAR OLDS:      Limit: 12 students per class

Participants should bring a snack daily (**no peanut products please**).

**Monday - Thursday Programs      Time: 9:00 - 11:45am**

**Cost per program: Members \$120.00; Nonmembers; \$130.00**



### **Mystery Animals**

**June 29 – July 2**

What secretive "critters" live in our woods? Why don't we see them? Let's try to find some!

### **Toad-ley Awesome!**

**July 27 – 30**

How is a toad different from a frog? Find out what makes amphibians so amazing!

### **Bugs, Bugs, Bugs!**

**July 6 – 9**

Grasshoppers, Dragonflies, Ants! Oh My! Join us for an exciting week exploring the wide array of sizes, colors, and shapes of bugs!

### **Splish, Splash, Plop (NEW)**

**August 3 – 6**

Where does a puddle come from? Where does the water go? What lives in water? Through games, crafts and explorations let's find out!

### **Butterfly Bonanza**

**July 13 – 16**

Experience the magical journey from caterpillar to butterfly. What happens inside a "pupa?" Can you say metamorphosis?

### **Dig It!**

**August 10 – 13**

Let's go digging in the woods and field and see what is happening under our feet. With magnifiers and tools we will explore who lives there and what grows there.

### **Life Under a Log!**

**July 20 – 23**

Is anybody home? Explore the mysteries that are hidden beneath a log and on the forest floor. What secrets are hidden there?

### **Pals of Paddington Bear (NEW) Aug. 17- 20**

It's time for black bears, sleepy bears, teddy bears and more! Our time will be filled with stories, games, and even a Teddy Bear Picnic!

## GRADE K - 1 PROGRAMS:      Limit: 15 students per class .

Each week offers a theme around which activities have been developed.

Programs include short hikes, games, stories, crafts and visits with the Nature Center's animals.

Participants should bring a snack daily (no peanut products please).

**Monday through Friday Programs                      Time: 9:00 am - Noon**

**Cost per program: \$150.00 members; \$170.00 nonmembers**



### **Animal Babies**

**June 29 – July 3**

Cubs, joeys, chicks, and even pupas! Learn the funny names of baby animals, how they're cared for, what they eat and where they grow up!

### **Forest Superheroes**

**July 6 - 10**

Time to get our capes on! Track down the superheroes of our forests and find out how we can be Werner Woods superheroes.

### **Creepies & Crawlies**

**July 13 – 17**

Together we will examine animals that creep and crawl! Discover where these bugs, snakes and other animals live and why they move and look the way they do!

### **Cozy Critters (NEW)**

**July 20 – 24**

Snug as a bug! Comfy as a cub! Where do these critters curl up to go to sleep? Find out where these animals call home and how they make these homes cozy!

### **Our Feathered Friends (NEW)**

**July 27- 31**

Birds come in all colors, shapes and sizes. We'll look at their feathers, beaks, feet, and everything in between including their "egg-traordinary" eggs.

### **Buzz, Buzz, Bloom**

**August 3 - 7**

Uncover the fascinating world of pollinators! Imagine a day as a busy bee, a hummingbird, or a fluttering butterfly. Learn the importance of these beautiful creatures.

### **Fish, Frogs, & Pollywogs**

**August 10 – 14**

Get ready to learn about these scaly, slimy, and superb creatures that we call amphibians and fish. Explore their lifecycles, why they have their special skin, and more!

### **Animal Detectives**

**August 17 - 21**

Who left these tracks? What made that sound? We live in a world of wonder, so let's explore, use fancy gadgets, and find answers to these and other questions.

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## GRADES 2 - 3 - 4 PROGRAMS:      Limit: 15 students per class

Participants should bring a snack daily (no peanut products please).

**Time: 9:00am - Noon      Note: Afternoon sessions are available on certain weeks from 1:00 - 4:00 pm**

**Cost per program: \$150.00 members; \$170.00 nonmembers**



### **Nature's Engineers**

**June 29 – July 3**

**AM Session: 9 am – Noon      OR      PM Session: 1- 4 pm**

Animals make amazing structures using only their paws, beaks, or teeth and nature's building materials. Let's learn from their handiwork and build structures of our own.

### **Survival in the Wilderness**

**July 6 - 10**

What would you do if you were lost in the woods? How would you find food and shelter? Discover how people and animals develop skills to survive in the wild.

### **CT Wild Kratts**

**July 13 – 17**

**AM Session: 9 am – Noon      OR      PM Session: 1- 4 pm**

Jump into a Wild Kratts episode to fight villains, solve problems, and save animals. Get ready to discover what lurks in our own backyards.

### **Rocks, Minerals & Dino Tales**

**July 20 – 24**

Uncover a brand new world beneath our feet. Examine creatures, rocks, minerals and fossils of the earth below. Uncover the secrets of Connecticut's dinosaurs!

### **Indian Woods Wisdom**

**July 27 - 31**

Step back in time and discover what life would be like living in a wigwam. Uncover the ancient skills, art, and culture of local tribes. Learn how to track, build and play like a Native American!

### **Spineless Wonders (NEW)**

**August 3 - 7**

See the world through the eyes of a butterfly! Tumble and spin like a dragonfly. Find out why the reputations of bugs and other spineless creatures are often undeserved.

### **Discovery Kids**

**August 10 - 14**

Why is the sky blue? How does a compass know which way to point? Why does ice float? Become a biologist, chemist & physicist to discover the answers through experiments, games & outdoor activities.

### **H<sub>2</sub>O-Whoa! A World Of Water**

**Aug. 17 - 21**

**(NEW)** Did you know that a single drop of pond water (H<sub>2</sub>O) contains thousands of living things? We'll go from puddles to streams to ponds in search of the creatures that inhabit this wet and wonderful world!

## GRADES 5 - 8 PROGRAMS:

Designed for students with a high degree of interest in the natural world, these programs include field trips to other natural areas in Connecticut. Participants should bring a snack daily (**no peanut products please**).

Unless otherwise noted, classes consist of three half-day and two full-day programs.

**Time: 9am - Noon (Monday - Wednesday); 9am - 3:30pm (Thursday - Friday) (except as noted)**

**Cost per program : Members: \$240.00; Nonmembers: \$265.00 (except as noted).**



### Chasing Dragons

**June 29 – July 3**

Connecticut's only program on dragonflies and damselflies, our fastest-flying insects, combines natural history, physical fitness and hand-eye coordination as we attempt to "catch" these prehistoric creatures in order to identify and census them. Includes physically active field trips to natural areas in the Farmington Valley and beyond.

Limit: 8 (for students entering grades 5 and up).

### Reptiles & Amphibians

**July 6 – 10**

Get ready to look for and learn about frogs, salamanders, turtles and snakes. Includes short field trips to local natural areas. Limit: 12 students

**Time: 9am - Noon (Monday - Friday)**

**Members: \$150.00 Nonmembers: \$170.00**

### Explorations I

**July 13 – 17**

An active week of hiking, canoeing the Farmington River, exploring tidal salt marshes and more! Good physical condition is required. Limit: 12 students

### CT's Hiking Trails

**July 20 – 24**

Hike to spectacular overlooks and scenic waterfalls as we explore Connecticut's blue-blazed trail system and the natural history of our forests. Participants should be in good physical condition. Limit: 8 students

### On the Trail of Endangered Species

**July 27 – 31**

Find out about Connecticut's endangered, threatened and special concern species. Includes all-day field trips to look for rare animals. Limit: 8 students

### Explorations II

**August 3 – 7**

Another week of exciting field trips to Connecticut's unique natural areas. Includes opportunities for hiking, canoeing and wildlife observation. Limit: 12 students

### Farmington River Ramblin'

**August 10 – 14**

Find out about the wildlife, ecology and history of the Farmington River. Includes a series of short field trips, plus an all-day Friday canoe trip. Limit: 12 students



## Summer Afternoon Animal Demonstrations

Join us for a 15-minute live animal demonstration each weekday afternoon at 2pm or for our special 45-minute programs on special days throughout the summer.

### Featured Creatures:

**Animal Babies – July 9**

**Frogs & Friends – July 23**

**Living Dragons – August 6**

**Snakes Alive – August 20**



### Other Summer Programs:

#### Wednesday Evening Walks:

July 8, July 22, August 5, August 19 (7:30pm – 8:45pm)

#### Annual Farmington Valley Butterfly Count:

Saturday, July 11 (Rain Date July 12)





# SUMMER 2015 Program Registration

**BALANCE OF TUITION IS DUE JUNE 1 FOR ALL PROGRAMS**

Send registration with \$20 **non-refundable** deposit for **each class** to:  
RBNC, 70 Gracey Rd, Canton, CT 06019

**PLEASE USE A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH CHILD**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in Sept: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street) (town) (state) (zip)

Daytime phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am \_\_\_\_\_ am not \_\_\_\_\_ a member of The Children's Museum / Roaring Brook Nature Center

			<i>Please circle</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Program Name: _____	Dates: _____	am pm	\$ _____	
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**T-shirt Preorder** (by June 6) (please fill out order form below) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Check  Credit/Debit MC/VISA #: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ ( / ) 3-digit PIN# \_\_\_\_\_  
exp. date back of card

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print Name of Parent/guardian

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Signature of Parent/guardian

## Roaring Brook Nature Center Summer T-Shirt Offer

A long-time tradition at Roaring Brook, we offer our pre-shrunk 100% cotton t-shirts with our logo at a special discount to families registered in our summer programs!

**Available at discounted prices only if pre-ordered by June 8.**

Your class balance and t-shirt total may be combined into one payment.

*T-shirts will be distributed on the first day of class or may be picked up in RBNC store by June 22*

<b>YOUTH: \$10 each</b>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Small (6-8)	_____	_____
Medium (10-12)	_____	_____
Large (14-16)	_____	_____

<b>ADULT: \$11 each</b>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Small	_____	_____
Medium	_____	_____
Large	_____	_____
X-large	_____	_____