Roaring Brook Nature Center’s
Summer Programs 2019

Member of the Children’s Museum Group
70 Gracey Road Canton, Ct  860-693-0263

Need an Early Drop-off?
Available for all age groups  Pre-registration required
Children will be able to participate in a few morning activities before classes begin
Monday — Friday  Time: 8 am - 9 am  $10 per day or $40 per week

BUDS
Classes for Pre-school Aged Students (3 years old)
Mon, Tues, Wed Programs  Time: 9:00 - Noon
Cost per program: Members $95.00; Nonmembers $120.00  Limit: 12 students per class

Nature for Little Ones  June 17 — 19 ;  June 24 — 26 ;  August 5 — 7
Fun, fun, fun in the outdoors! Explore, laugh, sign and play during this week of exploration!

ACorns
Classes for Pre-school Aged Students (4 to 5 years old)
Mon – Thurs. Programs (except where noted)  Time: 9:00 - Noon
Cost per program: Members $130.00; Nonmembers $155.00  Limit: 12 students per class

Toad-ley Awesome!  June 17—20
Search the forests, streams and ponds for toads, frogs and their cousins, the salamanders! Where do they live? What are they doing on these summer days?

Animal Babies  June 24—27
Find out how different animals take care of their young. Look at nests, eggs, tadpoles and much more!

Butterfly Bonanza  3-Day Class  July 1, 2,3
Experience the magical journey from caterpillar to butterfly!
Search far and wide for eggs, caterpillars, butterflies and moths!
3-Day Class Cost: $95 Members, $120 Nonmembers

Dig It!  July 8—11
Let’s go digging outside and see what is happening in the world beneath our feet. With magnifiers and tools we will head out and explore what lives in the soil.

Who Goes There? (NEW)  July 15—18
Search for tracks, feathers and other clues that animals leave behind. Use our detective skills to learn who’s in our forest.

Growing up WILD!  July 22—25
Let’s use our critical thinking skills to build forts in the forest and our creativity to make mud pies! Learn about the world around us through fun, hands-on activities.

SPLISH & SPLASH  July 29—August 1
Water, water everywhere! Where does it come from? Where does it go? Enjoy a week of explorations in the ponds, rivers and streams!

Life Under a Log  August 5—8
Is anybody home? Search for salamanders, pillbugs, millipedes, and other creatures. Explore the mysteries that are hidden beneath a log and on the forest floor.

MIGHTY Minis  August 12—15
The strongest creatures in the world are often the smallest, but they are also the most unknown. Let’s discover this MIGHTY world of tiny creatures.
SPROUTS
Classes for Students entering Kindergarten & First Grade
Mon – Fri. Programs (except where noted) Time: 9:00 – Noon Limit: 15 students per class
Cost per program: $160.00 Members; $195.00 Nonmembers

Nature's Detectives  June 24—28
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.

Creepy Critters  3-day class  July 1, 2 & 3
Some creatures just look odd or behave in weird ways. Let’s learn a little more about them and find out that they are not so creepy after all.
3-Day Class Cost: $95.00 Members, $120.00 Nonmembers

Nature's Builders (NEW)  July 8—12
Unplug and use your ‘Minecraft’ skills outdoors. Using natural materials, we will test our building skills.

Fish, Frogs & Polliwogs  July 15—19
Get your boots and buckets ready and head to the stream and pond! Discover the mysterious world below the surface. Who lives there and what do they look like?

Rockin’ Rocks  July 22—26
Calling all rock hounds! Jump into geology with this rockin’ good program. We’ll start a collection, make fossils, create sculptures, and even make musical instruments to sing some rockin’ good tunes.

Busy Beavers  July 29—August 2
Busy beavers let’s get to work! Did you know that a beaver is a fantastic architect and engineer? Let’s learn beaver skills and try to impress them with ours!

Water, Wind & Sun (NEW)  August 5—9
Find your “force” and discover the forces of nature! Join us for exciting science experiments, magnets, volcanic eruptions, and much, much more!

Where the Wild Things Are!  August 12—16
Let’s take to the forests, fields, streams and ponds and search for the “Wild Things” that live in different habitats!

SAPLINGS
Classes for Students entering 2nd, 3rd & 4th Grade
Mon – Fri. Programs (except where noted) Time: 9:00 – Noon Limit: 15 students per class
Cost per program: $160.00 Members; $195.00 Non-members

Survival in the Wilderness  June 24—28
What would you do if you were lost in the woods? How would you find and make your own shelter? Discover how people and animals develop skills to survive in the wild.

Paws, Claws & Jaws  3-day class  July 1, 2 & 3
A coyote’s jaw, a squirrel’s paw, a bear’s claw - each of these animals is specialized to find food, climb, dig and more. Discover the unbelievable adaptations different creatures have and why.
3-Day Class Cost: $95.00 Members, $120.00 Nonmembers

Naturally Creative  July 8—12
Paint, draw, sculpt and more using as many natural materials as possible. Designed to help students interpret what they see in the natural world in an artful way. ART SHOW: Friday at 11:45 am for family members and friends!

Junior Naturalist (NEW)  July 15—19
Learn about the various animals in your backyard and what makes them so unique.

Nature’s Engineers  July 22—26
Nature has some of the best problem solvers. Let’s learn from them and see who is the best builder.

Indian Woods Wisdom  July 29—August 2
Step back in time and discover what life was like 600 years ago for the Native Americans who lived here. Learn how to build shelters, make tools, and more.

H2Oho! A World of Water  August 5—9
Did you know that a single drop of water (H2O) contains thousands of living things? We’ll search of the creatures that inhabit this wet and wonderful world!

Trail Blazers (NEW)  August 12—16
Take to the trails for a grand exploration! Let’s follow our curiosity and search for animal signs, watch for birds, and peek at plants.

Summer Send-off  for students K– 5th Grade (see page 3 for description)
August 19, 20, 21 3-Day Class Cost: $95 Members, $120 Nonmembers
OAKS
Classes for Students Entering Grades 5 through 9
Designed for students with a high degree of interest in the natural world,
These programs include physically active field trips to other natural areas in CT.
Unless noted: Three half-day (Mon, Tues, Wed) 9—Noon / two full-days (Thur. & Fri). 9—3:30 pm
Cost per program: $250.00 Members, $290.00 Nonmembers

Chasing Dragons  Grade 5 & up  June 24—28
CT’s only program on our fastest-flying insects, it combines natural history, physical fitness and hand-eye coordination as we attempt to “catch” these prehistoric creatures and add to CT’s dragonfly database.
Limit 12 students

Saving CT’s Wildlife  July 1, 2 & 3
NOTE: Class runs from 9—3:30 pm each day
How do we help protect CT’s wildlife? Discover the world of conservation and different steps we can take to preserve our native animals and their habitats.
3-Day Class Cost: $220 Members, $260 Nonmembers
Limit 12 students

Explorations I  July 8—12
An active week of hiking, canoeing the Farmington River, exploring tidal salt marshes and more.
Limit 12 students

Junior Vets  July 15—19
Interested in animals or becoming a vet or wildlife rehabilitator when you grow up? Join us to learn about caring for exotic animals and wildlife. Take an in depth look at what it means to be an animal caretaker.
Note: Junior Vets I and II are similar classes
Limit 8 students  Cost: $265 Members, $310 Nonmembers

Reptiles & Amphibians  July 22—26
Get ready to look for and learn about frogs, salamanders, turtles and snakes. This program includes short field trips to local natural areas.
NOTE: Class runs from 9 - Noon (Monday - Friday)
Cost: $165 Members, $200 Nonmembers
Limit 12 students

Junior Vets II  July 29—August 2
Interested in animals or becoming a vet or wildlife rehabilitator when you grow up? Join us to learn about caring for exotic animals and wildlife. Take an in depth look at what it means to be an animal caretaker.
Note: Junior Vets I and II are similar classes
Limit: 8 students
Cost: $265 Members, $310 Nonmembers

Farmington River Ramblin’  August 5—9
Find out about the wildlife, ecology and history of the Farmington River. Includes a series of short field trips, plus an all-day canoe trip.
Limit 12 students

Explorations II  August 12—16
Another week of exciting field trips to CT’s unique natural areas. Includes opportunities for hiking, canoeing and wildlife observation.
Limit 12 students

Summer Send-off for students K– 5th Grade  August 19, 20, 21
Spend the final days of summer exploring the forest, fields and streams around the Nature Center.
3-Day Class Cost: $95 Members; $120 Nonmembers

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:
Online Registrations: Go to roaringbrook.org
Phone Registrations: Call 860-693-0263
Mail-In Registrations:
Print and fill out registration form (available online), make check out to “RBNC” and mail to 70 Gracey Road, Canton, CT 06019
Call first or go online to make sure the class still has room for registrations.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:
Full Payment is due at the time of registration with check, cash, Visa or Mastercard.

SCHOLARSHIPS:
A limited number of partial scholarships are available.
Call the Nature Center for information. Deadline for scholarship applications—June 3rd
UPCOMING EVENTS
at Roaring Brook Nature Center

Summer Solstice Nature Trivia & Pizza Night
Friday, June 21  6 – 7:30 pm

Firefly Fun
Thursday, June 27  1:30 – 3 pm

Paws, Claws & Jaws — Animal Demonstration
Tuesday, July 2  2—2:45 pm

Butterfly Tea Party & Story Time
Wednesday, July 10  1:30—3 pm

Snakes Alive! — Animal Demonstration
Wednesday, July 17  2—2:45 pm

Farmington Valley Butterfly Count
Saturday, July 27  7:30 am

Trails @ Twilight
July 24 & August 7, 21  7:30—8:30 pm

Lady Bug Lunch & Story Time
Friday, July 26  1:30—3 pm

Turtles BIG & small — Animal Demonstration
Thursday, August 1  2—2:45 pm

Teddy Bear Tea Party & Story Time
Tuesday, August 6  1:30—3 pm

Winged Jewels
Wednesday, August 14  1:30—3 pm

Houses & Homes for Fairies & Gnomes
Monday—Saturday, August 19—24  10 am—4 pm

Ancient Reptiles—Animal Demonstration
Thursday, August 22  2—2:45 pm