2022 Summer Camp

Event Catalogue

FIELD TRIP-MUST BE 4 YEARS OLD BY 7/1 TO TRAVEL

7/5 - Bubble Dance Party-AM Show

VISITOR

An all-time favorite! This highly engaging and interactive hour of music is a hit with children and adults of all ages! Everyone enjoys dancing to this upbeat music while catching BUBBLES the entire time! The Bubble Man performs various bubble tricks, including bubble snow and bubble foam, bubbles as big as a school bus, and the ever-popular finale, "kid in a bubble".

7/5- Joel Solomon-The Magic Man-PM Show

VISITOR

Joel Solomon a.k.a. The Magic Man has been performing magic and ventriloquism for the past 18 years. His love for children goes back many, many years when he received his master's degree in early childhood special education. His understanding of child development made it simple for him to transition from a teacher to a magician/family entertainer. Hiring Joel, The Magic Man, is not only hiring a well trained, funny magician with years of experience, it's also hiring a person who understands what it takes to entertain children and adults.

7/6 to 8/24- Splash Day- Get Wet, Go Wild! Every Wednesday

Each Wednesday this summer, our beautiful playground is transformed into a "wet and wild wonderland" with numerous sand and water tables, a huge assortment of fun sprinklers, bubbles, beach balls, etc. This weekly event is a much loved and anticipated activity for all of our campers. Imaginations run wild as laughter fills the air. Even our youngest of campers enjoy fun splash time during their morning outside activity. There are plenty of splash tubs and pool toys for these little hands to play with and explore!!

7/6- Ice Cream Truck- PM Event

ICE CREAM TRUCK

We welcome the campers to our fabulous summer with Goddard with a visit from the Ice Cream Man!! Children will select the cool treat of their choice (soooo many varieties to choose from) and enjoy our ultimate (and yummy) welcome to summer!

7/7- Bob Conrad- Ventriloquist- AM Show

VISITOR

Every year since 1979, Bob Conrad has been delighting children with his high-spirited and interactive shows. Bob Conrad travels to schools, libraries, day care centers and events all across the state to educate and entertain kids. His special brand of fun, comedy, magic and ventriloquism are loved by kids and adults.

7/7- Rock with Mr. Ray- PM Show

VISITOR

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7/8- Clown N Around- AM Show

VISITOR

Clown N Around is a mobile children's entertainment firm. They craft high caliber enjoyable experiences for families and businesses. Their mission is to create fun parties and events, delivered with exceptional service. JUMP, the kids tour, was created with children in mind. It offers children self-belief, to raise them up, to entertain them while educating and building confidence in themselves. The Jump tour brings 2 hours of power-packed fun, high energy and creative events such as:

- Froggy Doodles LIVE Show
- Dancing,
- Music,
- Puppetry Lessons,
- Snacks,
- Storytelling,
- Signed Copies of Froggy Doodles & Friends Book written by De'Shon Forrest the founder

Children will be totally entertained and will leave the show empowered, smiling, happy, with inner confidence to explore new and creative things.

7/8- Mr. Scott- The Music Man- PM Show

VISITOR

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events. Along with his always grooving Original Music, and Warm, Child Friendly demeanor, Mr. Scott brings tons of Laughs and Fun, wherever he goes.

7/11- Slime Party-The Best Slime Party Ever!

VISITOR

Children will be delighted to design and create their own slime. Each child can choose to make a clear or fluffy slime, and then customize it with colors or glitter add-ins.

7/12- Field Station Dinosaurs

FIELD TRIP

A one-of-a-kind, prehistoric experience featuring over 30 life-sized, moving and realistic dinosaurs that's thrilling, educational and fun!

7/12- Cheryl Scoles Storytime- AM Show

VISITOR

Cheryl Scoles, Owner & Operator, is a Certified Preschool/Elementary Teacher and Reading Specialist (M. Ed.). Cheryl has had significant puppeteering and storytelling experience in both classroom and library settings since starting her business in 1993. Using a variety of short stories, songs and finger plays that are entertaining as well as instructional, she has appeared at numerous school assemblies, libraries, showcases, parties and other events.

7/14- John Pizzi- Ventriloquist

VISITOR

We are so lucky to have John performing for our children. He is one of the hottest rising comics in the entertainment industry and has brought his unique brand of comedy to audiences around the country! He has performed as a national headliner at comedy clubs, resorts, colleges, and theaters across the United States, and Starred in a one man show of comedy, magic and ventriloquism. John Pizzi is a high energy comedy and a regular at the Rivera Hotel in Las Vegas, the Borgata Hotel in Atlantic City and a member of the Friars Club in New York City and Los Angeles.

7/15- Young Chefs Academy- Children Cooking School

FIELD TRIP

Through workshops, Young Chefs Academy takes kids into the kitchen and teaches them not just how to cook, but how to work independently and as a team to master new skills. Children will learn to prepare and cook Pizza Potatoes and Chocolate "Meatball" Cookies.

7/15- Tropical Rain Forest- AM Show

VISITOR

Led by expert wildlife educator, campers will have up-close encounters with a variety of Tropical Rainforest wildlife. Students will have the opportunity to touch and even hold select animals. Children

will enjoy learning about a variety of animals from Tropical Rainforests, like the Carpet Python, the Water Monitor Lizard, the Tarantula, the Mata Mata Turtle and of course the big and beautiful Burmese Python.

7/18- Fit4Kids Show

VISITOR

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7/19- Ben's Extreme Comedy & One-Man Circus Show

VISITOR

Ben has a degree in Conservation Biology and a Master's degree in Physical Therapy. He is a circus performer, comedian, and personal trainer. With over 20 years of performing experience with clients ranging from Microsoft to McDonalds and every Atlantic City Casino. The show combines modern circus elements with comedy, music, dance, and audience participation to captivate audiences of all ages. Ben skills include juggling, unicycle, balance free style ladder, rolla bolla, close up magic, stilt walking and balloon sculpting.

7/21- Clay Pot Pottery

FIELD TRIP

Children have the option of painting a small bowl, small vase or small plate with the help of the potters. Once dry, the piece will be fired in the kiln. Finished pieces will be available for pick up approximately one week after our visit. Children also experience the thrill of turning a lump of clay into a fantastic piece of art by taking part in our wheel-experiences and wheel- lessons.

7/21- Mas Science-Fire & Ice- AM Show

VISITOR

This spectacular show thrills children as it introduces them to impressive science experiments. The event includes foggy dry ice storms and mind boggling vanishing paper. Students are amazed by sizzling spoons, shivering quarters, and special bubbly showers!

7/22- Foam Party

VISITOR

The cleanest fun you can have with soap is Foam. A safe outdoor experience that will have our campers wanting more. A foam party is an interactive experience with the awesome Foam Cannon that shoots out foam and can fill an area up to 30X30 ft and 5 ft high in minutes. The foam Solution is hypoallergenic, dye-free, biodegradable and safe for kids, pets and the environment.

7/25 & 7/26- Salon Portraits- Old Time Vintage Photoshoot

VISITOR

You will enjoy beautiful images of your child in vintage garb (knickers and lacy dresses), as they are transported into "yesteryear" with these classy portraits. JT and Angela Tuttle love Photographing children in their unique and exciting Theme Backdrops. Over the past 18 years, they have created three different Themes: Old Time (20's 30's Era), The Wild West, and the Fabulous 50's Diner! These truly unique backdrops, as well as their very own Wardrobe and Props, make some wonderful and quite remarkable Portraits. This is a special photography session that you won't want to miss!

7/28- Didgeridoo Down Under

VISITOR

Didgeridoo Down Under is a unique fusion of Australian music, culture, science, puppetry, comedy, character building, storytelling and audience movement / participation. The didgeridoo has been played by Aboriginal Australians for at least 1,500 years, and is known for its otherworldly sound. But DDU is much more than music -- it's an age-appropriate, interactive, educational and super fun learning experience for our Goddard Campers!!

7/29- Rockville Climbing Center

FIELD TRIP

Rockville Climbing Center is central New Jersey's premier indoor rock climbing facility. Climbing builds self-confidence, teaches both trust and self-reliance, and helps develop a better sense of body control and balance useful in more traditional sports. This activity is designed to give kids a fun and exciting experience in a safe environment. Kids are natural climbers with lots of energy. An interest in climbing will often last a lifetime, providing years of enjoyment and building strength of character that no other single activity can match.

7/29- Bugs on the Go - AM Show

VISITOR

Through dynamic and interactive presentations, children gain an understanding of the structure, characteristics, and basic needs of these often-misunderstood tiny animals. The program will motivate children to discover the little-known lives of insects and foster a greater appreciation for bugs and their place in our world. Children have the opportunity to touch a live tarantula, millipede, a hissing cockroach, and other insects and bugs.

8/1- Pinot's Palette

FIELD TRIP

Pinot's Palette is a painting studio that caters to all ages. Kids don't need any artistic skills to have fun and paint at Pinot's Palette. Experienced instructors guide them step by step through the painting, based on the ages and skill levels of the group. The painting process is closely guided and well-structured, while giving kids the wiggle room they need to be kids. Pinot's Palette loves letting children express their creativity! Kids can change colors, patterns, or other details to make the painting their own. And of course, everyone goes home with the coolest party favor ever: their very own masterpiece to remind them of all the fun they had.

8/1- Big Jeff- Singer and Song Writer-AM Show

VISITOR

Jeff, six-and-a-half-foot-tall, children's singer-songwriter began writing songs for his own young daughters 13 years ago and started playing them for the children at the New Jersey daycare center where he worked as an aide and bus driver. He developed his material by testing it with various groups of two- to eight- year-olds, and quickly transitioned into a full-time traveling troubadour. His blend of humor and "super-interactive" audience participation has been captivating young audiences across the New York Metropolitan area for the past 13 years. He's also toured up and down New England and California, sold over 10,000 CDs and DVDs, and has grown a large and loyal family fan base.

8/2- Papermaking Workshop- AM Event

VISITOR

The workshops teach the history and process of papermaking. It demonstrates the transformative process by which we break down fibers to create a slurry of water and pulp, and the step-by-step process of using the mould and deckle to pull sheets of newly formed paper from the slurry to then couch (pronounced 'cooch') onto the post, or stack of newly formed paper. The stack is then pressed to remove much of the water and dried in a number of different ways, depending on the aesthetics of what you want and the availability of a dry box. A table in the sun can even do the trick! Children will demonstrate traditional hand papermaking techniques to transform recycled materials into paper. Campers will have the opportunity to make their own sheet of paper, which Frontline Arts will process and return by mail once dry as a keepsake to do with as they please.

8/2- Scottish Highland Dance- PM Show

VISITOR

Campers will enjoy this bagpipe and Dance show with The Award-Winning Campbell School of Highland Dancers. This entertaining show comes complete with Emcee, professional bagpipers, and drummers, along with champion highland dancers, some who have performed at the high acclaimed Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Our campers will learn the rich history of Scotland and how the pipe music and highland dance tell the story of the clans of the highlands. This show will truly entertain the campers.

8/4- Circus Place - Circus Skills & Life Lessons Workshop

FIELD TRIP

Students will discover and explore a variety of circus disciplines, including aerial arts, acrobatics, flow arts, clowning, prop manipulations, and balance arts. After a dynamic group warm-up, the children will then rotate through some stations that include such things as, juggling, Chinese yo-yo, acrobatics, flower sticks, hula hoops, feather balancing, plate spinning, human pyramids, wire walking, aerial silks and trapeze. Life lessons are incorporated into each fun circus skill taught.

8/4- Dennis Thomas Magic Show: NJ Magician- PM Show

VISITOR

We are happy to once again welcome Dennis Thomas, a full-time, professional NJ magician and balloon sculptor. For the past 25+ years, he has specialized in entertaining children with his fun-filled magic

shows and balloon twisting. This NJ magician is an active member in the Society of American Magicians (S.A.M.) and was a Past President of S.A.M. Assembly 181 in East Windsor, NJ. He's also a member of KiDabra International, the Association of Family & Kidshow Performers. One of the most talented magicians in NJ, Dennis has performed his educational-themed magic shows at numerous Libraries and Early Learning Centers in the New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York areas. That's not to mention the many Birthdays Party shows he's performed at various homes and restaurants.

8/5- Steve The Magician

VISITOR

Steve uses his unique sense of humor to entertain all ages. He brings excitement to any occasion using attractive props including silks, ropes, balloons, and even water! Steve will amaze the campers with his trained doves, which magically appear at every show! Every child is an active participant in Steve's magic act. All our campers are made extra special throughout the entire show! Steve also teaches magic to youngsters. He has conducted several magic classes for many organizations.

8/8- RVCC Planetarium

FIELD TRIP

Children discover a world of wonder and excitement when they journey into the planetarium at RVCC. Campers will enjoy an astronomy program and a laser concert.

Rockin' Rocket Ride - Children will adventure into space to learn about the Sun, Moon, planets, and stars. Young explorers use their imaginations to become astronauts and travel around our solar system. Songs from Jane Murphy's "Journey into Space" CD enhance campers experience with "The Planet Song" and "Moon Rock Rock."

Laser Magic concert- during the laser concert, lasers draw pictures on the dome while the children listen to family friendly songs including "We Will Rock You" by Queen and "Fireworks" by Katy Perry.

8/8- Nappyspuppets Presents Shadows Around the World- PM Show

VISITOR

This exciting show explores the history of shadow puppetry and its development throughout the world. The program has an engaging focus on world cultures and history and the development of Shadow Theater as an art form.

8/9- Kids Fun DJ

VISITOR

This interactive music and dance program is designed to stimulate and get kids up and moving. The Limbo, Macarena, Chicken Dance, Hokey Pokey, Cha Cha Cha and Electric Slide are a few of the dances that will be demonstrated by the DJ. Games will also be coordinated by DJ.

8/11- The Bugseum of NJ Insectropolis

FIELD TRIP

Insectropolis creative displays entertain children as they learn about these fascinating creatures. It has over a dozen exhibit areas that are sure to educate and entertain. Children can view thousands of

beautiful and bizarre exotic insects from all over the world. They can Play bug games on the touch-screen computers. Children can Pretend they are a termite as they crawl through the mud tube. Children can safely get up close to the observation hive and see the busy bees. Or spy on many other live insects. Touch presentation occur daily. Children can touch a live tarantula, millipede, and a hissing cockroach before they leave the place.

8/11- Music Play Patrol Presents Ready, Teddy, Go! - AM Show

VISITOR

Children will get ready for some interactive bear stories and songs including a musical version of Goldilocks and the Three Bears!

8/12-Hunter Brook Horse Farm

FIELD TRIP

The horse is the official animal of the State of NJ, and Hunter Brook 50+ horse farm, located in Howell, NJ, offers our campers the opportunity to "Learn about Horses" firsthand. Our tour at Hunter Brook Horse Farm includes a barn and facility tour to see dozens of horses. Students will learn about the parts of a horse, what a horse eats, how to groom and tack, and the proper day to day basic care of a horse. Our campers will also participate in "leadline" led by a trained instructor, walk horses thought obstacle course and riding.

8/12-Mad Science- Wacky Science- AM Show

VISITOR

This show is a crowd favorite and especially suited to younger children. It introduces several science concepts, including super absorbents, polymers, static electricity, and Dry Ice. A fantastic show for all ages.

8/15-Camden Aquarium

FIELD TRIP

One-Of-A-Kind Experiences! Children will experience the wonder of one-of-a-kind exhibits throughout two million gallons of water. Campers discover unique exhibits around every turn as they explore the underwater world with over 15,000 aquatic animals. This exhibit includes the largest collection of sharks in the Northeast, Little Blue penguins, Nile hippos and more. They will experience exciting attractions, like the Shark Bridge, Shark Tunnel, touch tanks and much much more!

8/15-Music Play Patrol Presents African Drum Circle- PM Show

VISITOR

Students learn about a variety of West African hand drums, including the djembe, talking drum, and more! Children will sing songs, participate in music and movement activities, and experience playing the various hand drums.

8/16-Rock with Mr. Ray

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8/19-The Hilarious Magic of Sam Sandler

VISITOR

The Hilarious Magic of Sam Sandler is America's only full time Deaf Illusionist. His fast paced, high energy family fun show is filled with comedy, award winning magic and tons of audience interaction and participation. Sam has perfected his blend of magic and comedy with a powerful and dynamic inspirational message. Our campers will absolutely enjoy this heartwarming show!

8/22- Turtle Back Zoo

FIELD TRIP

Essex County Turtle Back Zoo is in West Orange and is accredited by the American Zoo and Aquarium Association. This distinct honor places Turtle Back Zoo amongst the elite zoos and aquaria of the United States and means that the zoo adheres to the highest standards for zoos in the country. Campers will be introduced to the extraordinary world of animals, nature, and science. The zoo houses approximately 1400 animals, including several hundred birds in a free-flight aviary and more than 100 different species of native and exotic animals from five continents. The best part of the zoo is that most of the animals are very active, not just sleeping all day. Children will love the hands-on farm and aviary, where the budgerigars hop on the campers' hands as they feed them.

8/22- Nappyspuppets Presents Sing-A-Long- AM Show

VISITOR

Moms and dads, how many of these songs do you know?

Little Bunny Foo-Foo, Five Little Ducks, The Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly, and Five Little Monkeys Jumpin' on the Bed?

Jim Napolitano has gathered together the greatest Sing-A-Long songs of all time! Children will join in the fun as Nappy's Puppets presents some of the silliest songs around. Children will have so much fun!

8/23- Carnival Fun visitor

Children will experience Tons of Fun at the carnival. They will enjoy the Stilt Walker, who, not only tall and amusing, can also juggle while elevated on his tall stilts. The face painter will create full and partial face paintings, complete with glitter and gemstones, and finally, be it Pink, Blue or Yellow, there is no better treat to be offered than the cotton candy at this fabulous carnival.

8/25- Holi in August

SCHOOL EVENT

Holi is a popular ancient Hindu festival, also known as the Festival of Spring, the Festival of Colors or the Festival of Love. Some families hold religious ceremonies, but for the Goddard School's campers, Holi is more a time for fun. We will be celebrating this festival of love with dancing, singing, and throwing of powder paint and colored water all over each other and also drenching unsuspecting passers-by with a deluge of water. Everyone is fair game for fun and a little flirtation in the August sunshine. Mr. Bruce loves This!

8/26- Fit4Kids Show

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8/29- Pony Rides & Petting Zoo

VISITOR

What better way to wind down our "Fun-tabulous" Summer Camp Experience than with a Petting Zoo brought right to our door. All campers will delight in petting and feeding some favorite furry farm friends!! And, no petting zoo would be complete without a memorable Pony Ride!!

8/30- Noah's Ark Animal Workshop

SCHOOL EVENT

Our campers will create and take home their own new best friend during our Noah's Ark Animal Workshop. Their new furry friend will be personally hand stuffed. These adorable creations are conveniently closed with a locking zipper, but not before adding their very own "wish star" into the cavity of the animal. Past workshops at our Goddard School have proven to be a big hit!

8/31- Farewell Ball- Dress to Impress- AM Event

SCHOOL EVENT

Closing activities for our fabulous Summer Camp will include this special Farewell Ball. Similar to a "prom", this unique event invites our youngsters to "dress to impress", and then enjoy time with dear friends as they dance the time away. Children will love showing off their fancy clothes and their unique dance moves! This is a "picture perfect" event that provides a lifetime of memories!

8/31- Ice Cream Truck- PM Event

ICE CREAM TRUCK

And finally, we put the "cherry on top" of a fabulous summer experience, with a visit from the Ice Cream Man!! Campers will choose the cool treat of their choice and enjoy our ultimate (and yummy) farewell to summer!

9/1- Nappyspuppets Presents BubbleMania JR!

VISITOR

A unique and interactive entertainment program that contains many exciting bubble skills to make kids (and their caregivers) giggle, laugh and say "wow"!!

Presenters demonstrate how everyday objects, such as bracelets, cardboard tubes, hair bands and even shoelaces can be used to make bubbles. The show concludes to music with lots of great big bubbles and tricks; dancing bubbles, bubbles inside bubbles, bubble tubes, arches and a bubble fountain. WHAT A FUN WAY TO BID FAREWELL TO THIS AWASOME SUMMER!!!