



Your weekly guide to Camp Adler's people, projects, and upcoming events.

CAMP ADLER FAMILIES,

What an amazing session so far!

We've loved getting to see your campers grow in their creativity and seeing them shine in every task they encounter.

A couple reminders:

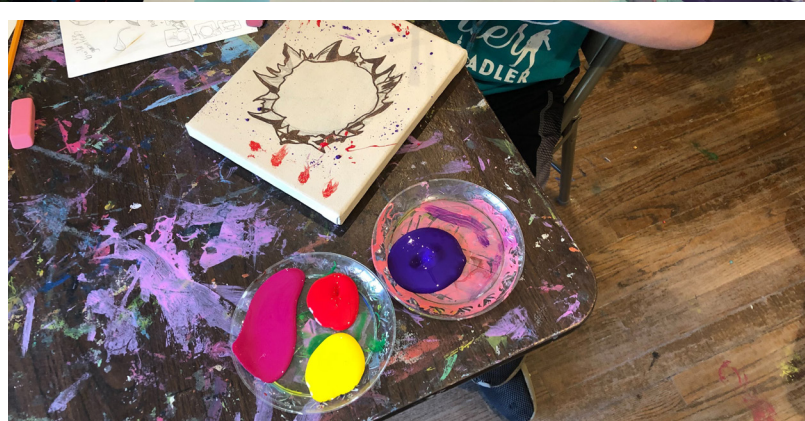
1. It's tick & bug season! Make sure to send your camper with bug spray and check for ticks when they come home in the evening.
2. Please ensure your camper brings a filled water bottle to camp each day. It's hot out there!

We will be having final performances on Friday of next week (7/1). Campers will be performing for each other. All performances will be filmed and sent to parents to enjoy. We can't wait!

All the best,

Ellen & Sarah







COUNSELOR REPORT

Top session moments and
SQUAD NAMES!



BECCA'S GUMMY BEARS

Becca's Gummy Bears have been having an absolute blast in both classes and squad time. They have been busy learning to play bucket drums and acting in the Rainbow Fish! In addition, they have made a ton of fun art projects through cool experiments and nature! The Gummy Bears are very in love with nature and using it to build up their Fairy Gardens!

SOPHIA'S SUPER SWEET SNICKEROODLES

Sophia's super sweet snickerdoodles have been extra busy this week working on a variety of projects! They've been hard at work sprucing up their beloved group fairy garden, which has been a staple of their day all week. The garden has even gotten great reviews from the fairies themselves! The campers have also made progress on projects in art, music, and drama, and are closer than ever to becoming art experimenting, bucket drumming, musical producing superstars!!



ADELE'S SMART COOKIES

Adele's Smart Cookies have been having a blast at camp! Their highlight of this week was making a fortune teller business where they made fortune tellers and "sold" them to other campers. Their favorite class is drama with Lili where they get to practice their musical they wrote themselves. We are looking forward to another amazing week of camp!!

ANDREW'S ANIMALS

Andrew's Animals have had a roaring second week at Camp Adler! They have been exploring world cultures through folktales and stories. We particularly loved learning about Vikings, the Yoruba, and how the story of Brer Rabbit related to Juneteenth. We've made amazing clay sculptures and fashion items, learned to play the ukulele, and are writing a musical in drama!



ADAM'S FIRE FERRETS

Adam's Fire Ferrets had a great second week! They enjoyed learning ukulele, crafting, and writing our musical. We especially loved playing games, bonding with our friends, and igniting our entrepreneurial spirits with Adele's squad!

MEET THE FACULTY



ANDY THOMAS - ART

My name is Andy Thomas and I am so excited for my fourth summer making wonderful art at Camp Adler! Please feel free to call me Andy, Mr.Andy or even Mr. Thomas if you're feeling formal! I am a full time kindergarten-8th grade Art teacher in Grayslake. I love art in all its forms but clay, sculpture, photography and mixed media art are my favorites. When I'm not at camp or school I am generally making art, gardening, playing with my two cats, reading a good book or watching movies (big fan of the MCU and I also enjoy scary movies as well). I can't wait to meet all of you and am confident that we will have an incredible summer!



LAURA EVANS - MUSIC

Laura is a part time piano instructor and accompanist at Adler Art Center and is excited to be a new addition to Adler's Summer Camp as a music instructor. Born and raised in Upstate NY, Laura has worked as a music teacher in private and public schools and an accompanist for youth theater groups, choral groups, and soloists for over 10 years. Laura received her bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Music Education from the State University of New York in Fredonia with a side study in Piano Collaboration. Laura loves to cook savory dishes, cross stitch, and ride her bike during her down times.



CASSANDRA CAUSEY - ART

Cassandra is one of the art teachers at camp this year focusing on 2D and mixed media art! Her undergrad degree is in Art from Western Illinois University focusing on printmaking and other 2D art forms. She has been teaching art to kids Pre k - 8th for over 10 years! Cassandra recently received her masters and teaching license from National Louis in elementary education and is looking forward to teaching in the fall! She is coming from the city and loves exploring Chicago, as well as being in nature when she is back in Libertyville, her hometown.



LILI SANNER - DRAMA

Lili ("Lee-Lee") is a vegan, chihuahua-loving, elementary music teacher that is very happy to be back for another summer at Camp Adler! She will be teaching drama again after having a blast last summer helping students grow through improv and acting games. Although she graduated from Berklee College of Music, Lili has several years of experience teaching drama classes and directing musicals. Her class is a safe space to step outside of your comfort zone, make mistakes, and have fun! She is a huge fan of The Office, watercolor painting, and relaxing by the pool.



JACQUELINE ANDERSON - WOODS

Hello! My name is Jacqueline Anderson. I grew up in Libertyville and spent lots of time at the Adler Center taking music and art classes as a child. I am a mother of two girls and many animals, a coffee roaster, and am working towards a Master's degree focus on ecological regeneration as a form of public ministry. I love smelling flowers, eating food, and swimming in Lake Michigan. I am a board member here at the Adler Center focused on the restoration of the woods to increase biodiversity and welcome the community into a reciprocal relationship with the earth. I am so excited to blend art and outdoor exploring this summer!

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

This week **Becca, Sophia, and Adele's squads** learned all about Van Gough! We discussed how he painted with feeling, movement, and lots of colors. Campers used oil pastels to paint the flowers around the grounds the the same way Van Gough painted in nature! **Adam and Andrew's squads** finished their own outfits created all out of art materials and they are awesome! We started our 3D canvases and are super excited to make more amazing art!

For our second week of **Art Experiments**, campers have been utilizing markers in unconventional ways and using coffee filters for printing.

Clay Creations class this week has been using aluminum foil and wire to create armatures for polymer clay sculptures that can be baked in your home oven. Campers that finish are taking their pieces home with instructions to bake with adult supervision.

In drama class, students have created amazing stories and songs for their musicals. They will be taking scripts and lyrics home this weekend and are encouraged to practice their lines for the big performance on the last day of camp!

In **Bucket Drumming Class**, we have created our own instruments, learned Bucket Dance, playing a song with different rhythms, and improvisation. **In Ukulele Class**, we have been practicing playing our compositions, learning the G chord, and how to sing with our playing.

Another week spent hiking through **the woods**, becoming familiar with our local flora. We collected and mashed mulberries into a paste to use as paint on fabric and paper and continue to visit our snake friends at the old reflection pond.

Questions? Concerns? Feedback? Please give us a call at 847-367-0707 and don't forget to follow us on Instagram and Facebook to keep up with all the Adler fun this summer! (@theadlercenter)