



# CAMP

# HOLLY WOOD LAND

## GIRLS RESIDENTIAL SUMMER CAMP

**June 12, 2023 -  
August 11, 2023**



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# REGISTRATION AND ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

## Is my child ready for overnight camp?

In order to participate in our program, a camper needs to be able to: move independently from place to place; meet her own personal care needs (i.e. tie shoes, brush hair, shower, etc.); and live cooperatively in a group cabin environment (which may or may not include cabin buddies).

## How to Register

Parents/guardians will be required to register online at <https://www.laparks.org/camp/camp-hollywoodland> and complete an online COVID-19 Acceptance of Risk Waiver of Liability. All youth must be registered in advance to participate in our program. Onsite registration will not be accepted unless called off of the waiting list for attendance that day.

## Late Fees

If room is available after the deadline (2 weeks prior to the start of the session), we will accept registration with a \$50 late fee. If any registration is accepted one week prior to the start of the session, there will be a \$75 late fee. Late applications are less likely to be with their requested cabin buddy. No refund or reduction in fees will be made for a camper's late arrival, early withdrawal and/or dismissal for misconduct or illness. There are NO REFUNDS for "NO SHOWS". Failure to arrive at camp prior to 9:30 am the morning of check-in is considered a no-show.

## Waiting List

If a summer camp session fills, a waiting list will be started and names will be added in the order in which completed applications are received. Parents will be notified when space is available in their child's age group. Payment is not required at the time of application submission for the waiting list. Cabin buddies are never guaranteed. When your child is called off of the waiting list, we have space in a specific cabin that may not be with your child's cabin buddy.





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## Changing Sessions

Request for changes of session will be accommodated if space is available. Fees will be charged per camper based on the earliest effected session as follows:

1. With 2 weeks or more notice, \$50;
2. Less than 2 weeks notice, \$75.

No change of session will be allowed for “No-shows”. NO session change will be made until a written request and appropriate fees are received. These fees are in addition to the difference in session prices where applicable.

## Confirmation Packet

A confirmation packet will be available to download a month before summer camp begins. This packet will include a Health History Form, Authorization Form and Doctor Visit Information. Several pages of camp information will also be included covering health procedures, check-in and out procedures, rules of conduct, reasons for immediate dismissal, what to (and not to) bring to camp, spending money, mailing letters and other pertinent policies and procedures.

## Cancellations

All cancellations must be made in writing (e-mail is accepted). Refunds take approximately 6-8 weeks. The registration fees will be refunded as follows:

1. **Two or more weeks notice will be assessed a \$50 administrative fee, per session per camper.**
2. **Less than two weeks notice will be assessed a \$75 administrative fee, per session per camper.**

Failure to cancel a session by the first day of camp will be considered a “No-Show” and NO REFUND will be issued.

## Dropping Things Off / Showing Up At Camp

No one is allowed to visit camp during a session (including parents, relatives, friends). **Coming to camp to drop something off for your daughter, or sending someone to do so, creates a security risk and can lead to homesickness among campers.** If you do decide to come to camp without prior notification or arrangement with staff, you will be asked to take your daughter home with you at that time.

# LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome to Camp Hollywoodland!

Camp Hollywoodland opened its doors as Griffith Park Girls' Camp in the Spring of 1926. It is hard to believe that we have been open for almost 100 years, serving girls from the city, state and around the world. As we approach our centennial celebration it's fun to think back on our history and the memories made by tens of thousands of girls that have attended our camp.

We are excited to open our doors yet again for the summer of 2023. We welcome your daughters, granddaughters and nieces into the traditions that are Camp Hollywoodland. Our camp has always been a place where girls can come to create memories, build relationships, challenge themselves physically and creatively, learn new skills and build their self-reliance.

We understand that choosing the right overnight camp for your daughter can be a hard decision but a session at Camp Hollywoodland is an experience like no other. Where else will your daughter get the opportunity to explore the great outdoors, make new friends from all over the city, learn new skills, make choices with a group and as an individual, and grasp the concept of having fun without the need for gadgets, phones or television?

Summer 2023 is sure to be filled with a variety of great experiences. We have a "new-to-us" Program Director, Rizzo. This will be her first official summer with us and we are so happy to welcome her into our camp family. She has some great ideas, plans and experience that we are sure will keep Camp Hollywoodland traditions alive. Rizzo and Ember have been working diligently to create exciting themes, trips, activities and special events. Whether your daughter is registering for one, two or more sessions she will have so much to look forward to.

We are also very excited to reveal all of the upgrades that have been going on in the off season. Our cabins will have air-conditioning, there will be fresh paint on all the buildings, our kitchen will have a little facelift and our dining hall will look very different come summer.

Not sure if your daughter is ready for overnight camp? Give us a test run at one of our girl getaway weekends. These weekends will give your daughter an opportunity to attend a shorter session (Friday-Sunday) to see if she is ready for the experience. If she isn't ready to attend alone, bring her to one of our parent-child weekends.

We look forward to creating memories with you and your camper!  
Cricket, Camp Director



Camp Hollywoodland is proud to be accredited by the American Camp Association. Developed exclusively for the camp industry, this nationally recognized organization focuses on camp program quality, safety, health issues, staff development and requires us to continuously review every facet of our operation. Our camp has voluntarily submitted to this independent appraisal done by camp experts and have earned this mark of distinction.



# WHAT WE DO

**Camp Hollywoodland** is the best kept secret in Los Angeles. Offering swimming, climbing wall, outdoor living skills, nature awareness, field trips, and themed programs that include: meals, lodging, snacks, equipment and supervision. **One price covers all!**



The program schedule is from **7:30 am** (rise & shine) until **8:30 or 9:30 pm**. During the course of the day, campers will attend a variety of activities. All activities are taught by trained and experienced staff. Most sessions begin **Monday (Check-in is 8:00 - 9:30 am)** and end **Friday (Check-out is 5:30 - 6:30 pm.)** Girls **6 -14 years old** are divided into cabin groups with a 3 year age span (ages 6-8, 9-11, 12-14). Each cabin has 2-3 counselors that sleep in the cabins with their campers. The counselor-camper ratio is set by the American Camp Association. A separate **Camper Leadership Development (CLD) Program** is available for girls 15-17 years of age.

## CAMPER LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Girls 15-17 years old are eligible to apply for Camp Hollywoodland's CLD Program. This exciting program offers:

- \*Guidance in working with younger campers;
- \*Assisting with camp activities;
- \*A performance evaluation;
- \*A place for teenage girls to work together and build friendships;
- \*An extension of their experience as a camper;
- \*A place to build a strong sense of self;
- \*An opportunity to enhance leadership skills;
- \*Prepare for future counselor opportunities.





# CAMP STAFF



At Camp Hollywoodland we believe that the camp experience shapes children's lives. Our program aligns with the **American Camp Association's** "7 Camp Outcome Domains", which are **Friendship Skills, Responsibility, Independence, Family/Citizenship, Teamwork, Competence and Exploration**. Keeping this in mind, all of our staff are of college-age and chosen for their communication skills, experience or training in child development, the ability to be excellent role models and desire to create these outcomes. Our rigorous selection process follows the **ACA** guidelines and includes multiple interviews, references and fingerprint check. Our staff members undergo a minimum of one week of intensive training and are certified in CPR and Standard First Aid prior to the start of camp. During the camping season, our staff is continually evaluated and guided to enhance their skills. The relationship between a camper and her counselor is at the heart of our camp's success.



## Resident Camp Counselors Wanted!

**Qualification:** Female, at least 18 years of age with a High School Diploma or equivalent (preferably one year of college completed), desire and ability to work with children, to teach activities and work outdoors, Certification in CPR and First Aid with the American Heart Association.

## Activity Leaders Wanted!

**Qualification:** Male or Female, at least 18 years of age with a High School Diploma or equivalent (preferably one year of college completed), desire and ability to work with children, to teach activities and work outdoors, ability to lift 50 lbs., ability to work at heights of 40 ft. for extended periods of time, Certification in CPR and First Aid with the American Heart Association.



For more information or to apply, please contact us: Camp Hollywoodland

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# CABIN BUDDIES



Cabin Buddy requests have become an ongoing problem over the years. Though we allow each camper to request **one cabin buddy**, some have tried to take advantage of this by requesting 2, 3, 4+ buddies and complaining when the request is not granted. These requests have started to cause problems within the cabin groups. Campers who come to camp alone often feel left out or excluded. When too many campers know each other from the outside world it can sometimes create an **“us vs them”** mentality in the cabin, causing problems for campers and counselors. Our Camp Directors have discussed the idea of eliminating the cabin buddy system completely and even put that into practice in the past. When everyone comes without a cabin buddy, things seem to be a little more copasetic. **We also understand that for some campers, camp may be the only time they get to see certain friends or family members and so we will continue to allow one cabin buddy request.**



## THE RULES FOR CABIN BUDDIES



1. Each camper is allowed to **request one cabin buddy**.
2. A camper may only request a cabin buddy in her own age group (6-8, 9-11, 12-14). **CABIN BUDDIES ARE NOT GUARANTEED.**
3. In order for your request to be considered, **the cabin buddy you requested on your child's registration form must also request your daughter as her buddy on her registration form.**
4. **If more than one name is entered on the cabin buddy section of the registration form, all requests will be null and void and no cabin buddy will be granted.**

At Camp Hollywoodland we believe that camp is an opportunity for campers to make new friends and try new things. Sending your child to camp without a cabin buddy allows her the freedom to do both of these things without judgment from someone who knows her in the outside world.



# 2023 SUMMER CALENDAR

**#1 June 12-16 Little Wizards Universal Studios \$600**

Calling all wizards! We will sort your cabins into houses, attend classes, make wands and practice the many spells we learn during the week. At night we'll celebrate with a Yule Ball, and enjoy "Butterbeer" in Hogsmeade. So grab your robes, and get ready for a week of magical living at the Hollywoodland Magic Castle.

**#2 June 19-23 Hollywoodland's Got Talent No Trip \$500**

It's time to show-off your hidden talents! This week will be filled with painting, singing, dancing, creative writing and drawing. We will have an art gallery, an epic dance battle and a spectacular talent show!

**#3 June 26-30 Galaxy Defenders Magic Mountain \$575**

Join us as we travel 2.5 million light-years away....just past the Milky Way Galaxy to visit Planet Hollywoodland! Campers are in store for an action-packed week as they complete Sally Walker's Space Training Academy, a variety of STEM challenges, and work together to defend the galaxy! So pack your space suits, and get ready for an out-of-this-world experience!

**#4 July 3-7 Sally in Wonderland Disneyland \$650**

Spend your week living with us in a fairytale. We will have a scavenger hunt through the Enchanted Forest, a Mad Hatter Tea Party, Under The Sea pool party and an enchanted ball under the stars. There will be archery, sword fights, and much more.

**#5 July 10-14 Hollywoodland Runway No Trip \$500**

It's Fashion Week here at Camp Hollywoodland. Join us for a week of sketching, cutting, gluing, tying, and sewing as we create masterpieces for our ultimate camp fashion show. We will also celebrate our individual style and uniqueness with our very own summer camp night gala.

**#6 July 17-21 Road Trip USA Knott's Berry Farm \$550**

Join us on a cross-country trip through the USA. We will start off on the east coast visiting Coney Island in New York, stop in New Orleans for beignets, head over to Texas for some delicious barbecue, go to a coffee house in Seattle, and visit everywhere else in between.

**#7 July 24-28 Camp-Con California Adventure \$650**

Are you ready for a week celebrating all things pop culture? Whether you're into action and adventure, anime, or sci-fi and fantasy, there is something for everyone. There will be skits, animation, playing live action video games and dressing up like your favorite movie/TV characters!

**#8 July 31-Aug 4 Camp CSI Soak City \$550**

Something strange is happening here at Camp Hollywoodland. Misdeeds are on the rise and supplies have come up missing. Even a counselor has gone missing! Help us solve these crimes, and use your detective skills to assist with looking for fingerprints, collecting evidence, and interrogating suspects.

**#9 August 7-11 Girls Just Wanna Have Fun No Trip \$575**

It's our final week of the summer and it's time to have some fun with all of the friends that we've made. We will fit as many of our favorite things at camp into one week, including a drive-in movie, and an epic pool party. As always, we will end summer with a bang with our end of camp celebration!

**\*\*All programs are subject to change or cancellation with or without prior notice.\*\***



# CAMPING SECTION

For more information about any of the other great camp facilities the Department of Recreation and Parks has to offer visit us at: [www.laparks.org/campgrounds](http://www.laparks.org/campgrounds)



## GRIFFITH PARK BOYS CAMP



While Griffith Park Boys Camp, affectionately called Boys Camp, primarily focuses on giving young men ages 7 - 14 a great summer experience, they offer a whole lot more. From traditional family-based camp weekends, and the now famous Boys Break Weekends, to rental opportunities, Boys Camp has something for all nature enthusiasts.

**Boys Camp offers friendship and a lifetime of memories through its camping programs.** Popular activities include archery, nature, crafts, hiking, outdoor cooking, high ropes, camp songs and theme events. Along with summer camp and boys break retreats, camp offers similar weekend adventures for parents and their school-age boys to get to know each other better through an atmosphere of casual fun and relaxation. **Griffith Park Boys Camp Summer Residential Camp Program** is Monday through Friday, June 11th - August 11th, 2022. For more information, please call: (323) 664 - 0571 .

## CAMP SEELY

**Camp Seely is located in the San Bernardino Mountains, 65 miles from City Hall, nestled in a forest of tall pines at an elevation of 4,200 feet.** Close to Lake Gregory and the Village of Crestline, it is located on Highway 138, four miles from Lake Silverwood. Camp Seely is owned and operated by the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, under permit from the National Forest Service. The facility includes 60 cabins (each sleeps 4 - 5 people), a large kitchen, dining hall, rustic lodge, modern restroom/shower facilities, playing field, game room and children's play area.



**For more information, please visit online at:**  
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