

City of Los Angeles
Department of Recreation and Parks

Camp Hollywoodland



Residential Girls Camp
June 15 - Aug. 7, 2026

Summer '26

For girls six to
fourteen years old



100 Years Later

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Letter from the Director

Dear Camp Hollywoodland families,

I am so excited to be the director at Camp Hollywoodland for our 100-year anniversary. It is an absolute privilege to have spent my entire adult life working at Camp Hollywoodland and to have shared so much laughter and joy with thousands of girls and young women over the years. Camp Hollywoodland has offered me the opportunity to grow and realize dreams, and I hope we can do the same for your camper.

Camp Hollywoodland is only as great as our staff and we tend to have the best. The kitchen staff, led by our beloved Rozeta, works diligently to create meals that appeal to all different taste buds and dietary needs. Our treasured senior staff (Froggy, Toucan, Sage, Ozone and Ladybug) have been working tirelessly preparing for another amazing summer. Then there is the fabulous program director Amoeba who has put her entire heart into creating an eclectic program of themes, trips and activities to give even the pickiest of campers something to look forward to.

Our camp program encourages girls to try new things, make new friends, build self-reliance, and live in a supportive and spirited community. From arts and crafts, nature, and science to dance, drama, swimming, outdoor cooking, and so much more, our activities are designed to spark curiosity and help every camper find something she truly loves. While at camp your daughter will have the opportunity to build important life skills including confidence, resilience, teamwork, independence and form friendships that can last far beyond her week at camp. At the heart of every camp memory are the experiences and relationships built while here.

Whether your family has been part of our community for generations or you are beginning your camp journey with us this year, we are thrilled to share this historic summer with you. Thank you for entrusting us with your daughter, for believing in the power of camp, and for helping us carry forward a legacy 100 years in the making.

Here's to a summer filled with adventure, friendship, and unforgettable memories. With excitement and appreciation,

Lynette "Cricket" Smith



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.

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Registration

Our Camp

Camp Hollywoodland's mission is to provide our campers a place where girls can come to have fun, meet new friends, face new challenges, learn, improve new skills, experience group living, learn to express their creativity, and build a positive self-image. Methods we use to achieve this mission include creating community, building relationships, leading by example, helping build self-reliance, providing opportunities to learn and master new skills, and teaching coping skills to move through new or uncomfortable experiences.

We believe that our camp is a place where girls can find their own sense of self, experience independence, practice facing fears, be inspired by and participate in a diverse community of young women, overcome challenges, and seize opportunities to develop both hard and soft skills. If you're unsure if our camp is for you, please call the office to discuss prior to registering.

Readiness for Our Camp

In order to participate in our program, a camper needs to be able to move independently from place to place, meet their own personal care needs (i.e. tie shoes, brush hair and teeth, shower, use the toilet, feed themselves, etc.), carry their own luggage, and live cooperatively in a group environment (that may or may not include a cabin buddy).

When campers are ready for overnight camp, it can be a transformative, learning and growing experience. We have found that campers acclimate best when they are able to vocalize their needs and self-advocate (e.g. I don't understand what to do, I need water, I need help, I feel...). To best set your camper up for success, please consider reviewing these concepts with her prior to attending camp. We can most effectively work to find solutions in real time when campers are able to share the discomforts or struggles that they're experiencing as they occur.

Registration

Parents/guardians will be required to register on our website and complete all listed forms. 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. It is understood and agreed that no refund or reduction in fees are made for late arrivals, early departures, withdrawals or requests to leave due to misconduct.

The rules of acceptance and participation in camp programs are the same for everyone, without regard to race, color, religion or national origin. Please allow a minimum of 2 weeks prior notification for interpretive services. If you are a person with a disability and require accommodation to participate in a City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks program, service, or activity, requests may be made by calling the facility (323-467-7193), or 711 for CA Relay, ten days in advance of the event. We will do our best to fulfill requests with less than ten business days' notice.

Enrollment Information

How to Register

Registration will become available on our website in March. Camper registration (campers ages 6-14) will begin at 11am and become available over the course of four days, as follows:

Tuesday March 17, 2026 - Register for Session 1 & 2

Wednesday March 18, 2026 - Register for Session 3 & 4

Thursday March 19, 2026 - Register for Session 5 & 6

Friday March 20, 2026 - Register for Session 7 & 8

Our website is: recreation.parks.lacity.gov/camp/camp-hollywoodland/ Please be aware that thousands of patrons partake in this process when registration opens. Reviewing your account prior to registration (confirming correct information on your child), familiarizing yourself with the website, and checking the e-mail you'll receive post-registration (which confirms whether your spot is **either** on the waitlist (\$0 sale) or in the session (session price paid). Please take note of both the fees for altering sessions (canceling, switching, etc) as well as the guidelines for requesting buddies before registering your camper.

Waiting List

The waiting list will become available on our website for you to join once a session is filled. You must add your own camper to the waitlist through our website as there are waivers to sign. Parents will be notified when space is available in their child's age group. Please confirm the phone number and e-mail connected to your profile are your primary forms of communication. We are not responsible for missed contact. 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.

ePact Invitations after Registration

We are now using ePACT, a secure online emergency network, to handle much of our camp paperwork. You will receive a link to register once you have been accepted into your first residential session. It must be updated with changes, but can carry your information over to multiple sessions to save you time. Your submission online does not provide camp with an adequate record. You will need to download, print, and bring your ePact record with you to check-in, or fill out new paperwork when you get on site. Returning campers can access their ePact account at <https://portal-us.epactnetwork.com/login> . Please note that day camp ePact records and residential camp records are not the same.

Dropping Things Off / showing Up At Camp

No one is allowed to visit or drop anything off at camp during a session (including parents, relatives, friends) without arranging with the proper staff. It presents security risks and can lead to homesickness among campers. If you do decide to come without prior arrangement, you will be asked to take your child home with you at that time.

Confirmation Packets, Late Fees, Changing Sessions & Cancellations

Confirmation Packet

A confirmation packet will be available to download one month before summer camp begins. At check-in, you will be required to turn in a Confirmation Packet form (available for download on our website), confirming in writing that you have read and understand all information presented in the packet.

Attention to New Policy Updates

The City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks has updated the rates and fees for the Camping Division. Please read this section carefully to note the changes. The fees listed in this brochure reflect the updated changes.

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**.

Cancellations

All cancellations must be made in writing (e-mail is accepted).

Refunds take approximately 6-8 weeks. The cancellation policy is as follows:

Requests 14+ days prior to the start of the program	85% Refund of Fees
Requests 7-13 days prior to the start of the program	50% Refund of Fees
Requests 6 days or less prior to the start of the program	No Refund of Fees

The first day of the camp session (at 8:00am) constitutes the start of the program.

Switching Sessions

Request for changes of session will be accommodated if space is available.

The switching session fee is the cancellation fee plus the price difference between sessions.

Fees will be charged per camper based on the earliest effected session as follows:

1. With 2 weeks or more notice, you will be charged 15% of your original session fee, plus the difference in session prices where applicable.
2. Less than 2 weeks notice, you will be charged 50% of your original session fee, plus the difference in session prices where applicable.

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.

The Heart of Hollywoodland

Our Camper Program (6-14 years old)

Camp Hollywoodland is the best kept secret in Los Angeles. Offering swimming, crafts, cooperative living skills, nature awareness, field trips, and themed programs that include: meals, lodging, snacks, equipment and supervision.

Girls 6 -14 years old are divided into cabin groups with a 2 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.

The program schedule is from 7:30 am (rise & shine) until 8:30 or 9:30PM. During the course of the day, campers will attend a variety of activities. All activities are taught by trained and experienced staff. Check-in each week is Monday 8:00 - 9:30AM and check-out is 5:00 - 6:30PM on the last day of session.

Our Teenage Leadership Development Program (15-17 years old)

Girls 15-17 years old are eligible to register for Camp Hollywoodland's CLD Program. This exciting program offers guidance in working with younger campers; assisting with camp activities; a place for teenage girls to work together and build friendships; a place to build a strong sense of self; an opportunity to enhance leadership skills, disconnect from technology; and to better prepare for future counselor opportunities. See the CLD brochure on our website for information. This program does not qualify for school service hours.

Our 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 at least 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 a background check. Our staff members undergo a minimum of one week 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 their counselor is at the heart of our camp's success.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in working at Camp Hollywoodland, please visit <https://recreation.parks.lacity.gov/jobs> under "Camping Section." See page 7 for more info.

Buddy Requests

Our Philosophy

Cabin Buddy requests have been an ongoing consideration for us. While we embrace the idea of campers requesting one cabin buddy to enhance their experience, we've noticed instances where some campers have sought multiple buddies, leading to complications when their requests couldn't be accommodated. This has occasionally caused challenges within cabin groups, where campers arriving alone may feel a bit disconnected.

We've observed that when campers arrive without pre-established buddy groups, it fosters a more inclusive environment. We recognize that camp can be a unique opportunity for campers to reunite with cherished friends or family members, so we will continue to honor single cabin buddy requests; requests of more than one cabin buddy per week will not be honored. Our aim is to ensure that everyone feels welcome and part of the camp community.

Guidelines for Requesting a Buddy

1. Each camper may request exactly one cabin buddy.
2. A camper may only request a cabin buddy in her own age group (6-8, 9-11, 12-14).
3. In order for your request to be considered, the cabin buddy you requested on your child's registration form, must also request your child as their buddy on their registration form. It must be mutual to be considered as a cabin buddy request. If changes need to be made, e-mail camp.hollywoodland@lacity.org at least 10 days before the start of program.
4. To be considered, cabin buddy requests can only be mutual requests between two buddies. If more than one name is entered on the cabin buddy section of the registration form or buddy request e-mail, all requests will be null and void and no cabin buddy will be granted.
5. Cabin buddy requests are requests only; cabin buddies can NEVER be guaranteed.

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 them the freedom to do both of these things without judgment from someone who knows them in the outside world.

How to go about Requesting a Buddy

There are two ways to request a cabin buddy for your child:

- 1.) Include the buddy's name and age when prompted while registering on our website
- 2.) Send an e-mail to camp.hollywoodland@lacity.org with the subject line "Cabin Buddy Request - Session name or Number" In the body of the e-mail, include both your daughter and her buddy's FIRST NAME, LAST NAME, AND AGES. Both camper's guardians must confirm the pairing (via Rectrac during registration or e-mail).

Summer 2026 Themes

Dates	Weekly Theme	Field Trip	Price
#1 June 15-18	Time Travelers	No Trip / 4 Day Week*	\$650
	Once upon a time, long before there were cellphones, social media or AI.... there was camp. Come celebrate a week of activities from the (g)olden days – butter churning, candle making, capture the flag, bocce ball, tie-dye, outdoor cooking, jazzercise, old school crafts, ice-blocking, a play on tug-o-war, prisoner ball, water fights and so much more.		
#2 June 22-26	Fairytales Festival	No Trip	\$650
	Have you ever wished you were in a fairytale? Here's your chance! Filled with magic, wonder, and the ever-grappling forces of good and evil, you can look forward to a Fairy Garden Party, develop a tower-reaching braid ladder, construct a chair that is “just right,” and search out magic beans! This will be a week of enchanted storybook quests, activities, and memories.		
#3 June 29- July 2	Everyday's a Holiday	No Trip / 4 Day Week*	\$650
	Camp Hollywoodland is entering our Hallmark-era as we celebrate a year of holidays in one week. Get ready for wreath making, inventing holiday recipes, egg hunting, preparing for Random Acts of Kindness day, designing ugly holiday sweaters, dressing up for Halloween, and throwing camp an unofficial birthday party. This week is going to be a present in itself. Happy holidays!		
#4 July 6- July 10	Extreme Olympics	No Trip	\$650
	Get ready to get your game on! Join the line up as we fill our week with all of our favorite sports and skills from the Summer Olympics (and from the CrazZzy Camp Olympics). We'll have swim challenges, gymnastics, obstacle courses, a “cabin craft-off”, minute-to-win-it games, and more. With team challenges around every corner, we invite you to come to play, and play to win!		
#5 July 13-17	Doorway to Different Dimensions	No Trip	\$650
	Something very weird is happening at Camp Hollywoodland, and we need your help! Come together to run secret experiments, munch on waffles, learn to communicate through flickering lights, perfect your sundae, and train to be a superhero. Spend the week protecting our beloved camp from all things strange and unknown (as well as any dema-monsters that may come our way)!		
#6 July 20-24	Camp Candywoodland	No Trip	\$650
	We are taking “game night” and transforming it into a full week experience! Get ready for a sweet twist on camp classics like crafts, sports, nature and climbing. We'll be playing indoor games, outdoor games, giant board games, making miniature board games, playing life size versions of games where we're the pons, inventing our own games and even adding new twists to old favorites!		
#7 July 27-31	Cruise the World	No Trip	\$650
	Come celebrate all of your favorite festivals from around the world! We'll learn how to make pasta at the Feast of Camp Gennaro, check out the integrative art experience at our “Nuit Blanche,” get excited to celebrate both the Festival of Colors and Festival of Lights. Come along for a week chalk full of diverse culture and celebration! You won't want to miss it.		
#8 Aug 3-7	100 Years of Hollywoodland	No Trip	\$700
	Not only will we be celebrating our last week of summer camp 2026, but we'll also be celebrating our 100 th year! Before you go back to school, it is time for one last week of all of our favorite special events – over the last 100 years!! Think crazy campfire, all camp obstacle-course, color war, cabin versus cabin challenges, performance battles & our beloved closing ceremony, formal dinner.		

We strongly encourage reading and understanding our updated cancellation fees (page 3) before registering your camper to any session. All activities are subject to change without prior notice.

Camping Division Updates & News

We're hiring now for Summer 2026!

Residential Camp Counselor Qualifications: 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.

Activity Leader Qualifications: Any gender, 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.

Cook Qualifications: Any gender, at least 18 years of age with a High School Diploma or equivalent. Has working knowledge of kitchen methods and procedures for preparing, cooking, baking, and serving foods in large quantities. Two or more years' experience as a cook in a large camp, restaurant, hotel, armed forces or similar preferred.

Kitchen Assistant (SPA II) Qualification: Any gender, at least 18 years of age; must be responsible, dependable, able to understand and follow directions, and to work under minimal supervision. Some knowledge and experience working in a commercial kitchen is desirable.

For more information and/or to apply:

Visit recreation.parks.lacity.gov/camp/camp-hollywood , call the office (323-467-7193), or e-mail camp.hollywood@lacity.org. Candidates for all positions must be able to attend in-person interviews on site, and be able to be fingerprinted at one of our Los Angeles locations by May 5th, 2026.

Other City of Los Angeles Campgrounds/Programs

Griffith Park Boys Camp offers friendship and a lifetime of memories through its camping programs. Popular activities include archery, nature, crafts, hiking, outdoor cooking, high ropes, and theme events. For info, call: (323) 664 - 0571 or visit <https://www.laparks.org/camp/griffith-park-boys-camp>

Camp Seely is located in the San Bernardino Mountains, nestled in a forest of tall pines at an elevation of 4,200 feet. 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 info, email Camps@lacity.org or visit [laparks.org/camp/camp-seely/](https://www.laparks.org/camp/camp-seely/)



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