Discover Science at The Children’s Museum this Summer! Vacation Science Camp Registration is Now Open.

WEST HARTFORD, CT (March 28, 2017) Keep your children entertained and educated, even when they’re out of school! The Children’s Museum has fun and learning planned throughout the summer. Each camp week has a theme and is packed with scientific investigation, experiments, crafts, and educational games all in the safe and educational environment of our museum. Of course, there’s plenty of time to explore our hands-on, interactive exhibits, see one of our amazing planetarium shows, and have an up-close encounter with a live animal.

Summer Vacation Science Camp is for children entering grade 1 through 6. Both full day (9:00am – 4:00pm) and half day (9:00am – 12:30pm) options are available. The cost is $185/half day week, $295/full day week for members and $200/half day week and $325/full day week for non-members. Our staff is experienced, state licensed with a safe and positive environment.

Topics for each week:

**June 26-30: In Cold Blood** Salamanders, turtles, snakes and frogs! Campers will have opportunities to interact with many reptiles and amphibians, including Allie the alligator. Campers will bring home a picture with a reptile or amphibian of their choice.
**July 5-7: Science in the Great Outdoors** Have a blast doing activities that include learning about plants, animals, the sky, and water habitats. *Cost: Full Day $175/wk Members, $195/wk Non-Members; Half Day $110/wk Members, $120/wk Non-Members

**July 10-14: Super Science** A week filled with interactive experiments, including making liquid nitrogen ice cream! Explore chemistry, engineering, biology & more through building structures, creating chemical reactions, & other astonishing experiments.

**July 17-21: Zoology & Paleontology** Join us for hands-on learning about major animal groups: insects, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, birds and even dinosaurs! Campers will investigate animals using microscopes, examine fossils, & learn the proper way to handle animals.

**July 24-28: Animal Keepers** Go behind the scenes & help us care for our animals. Activities will include preparing food, feeding & exercising animals. A veterinarian will be here to teach us about keeping animals healthy and how to care for injured animals.

**July 31-August 4: Instant Inventors** Up for a challenge? Put your engineering skills to the test by making contraptions that fly, float, and hold weights. We will design creations to compete in fun team challenges.

**August 7-11: Meet the Mammals** Campers will have hands-on experiences with several furry friends, including our chinchilla, rabbit, hedgehog, woodchuck, opossum, and more! Each camper will bring home a picture with a mammal of their choice.

**August 14-18: Carnival Camp** Back by popular demand! Join in the excitement of our carnival camp by learning the physics behind all the fun. Make and play your very own games and get ready to use art and creativity to host your own carnival.

**August 21-25: Ninja Training** Join us for a high energy, action-packed week of fun! Campers will test their balance, strength, & agility with indoor & outdoor obstacle courses on the ground. Campers will help design obstacle courses for our ferrets and opossum. * Please note obstacle courses will be made of safe materials including hula hoops, cones and pool noodles.
Register online at www.thechildrensmuseumct.org or call our registration department at 860.726.4008.

**About The Children’s Museum**

The Children’s Museum and Roaring Brook Nature Center are the region’s premiere destinations for exploration and education. Home to over 100 live animals, the Museum features hands-on exhibits, out-of-this-world digital planetarium shows, and programs for young children and families.

The Children’s Museum and Preschool are located at 950 Trout Brook Drive in West Hartford and Roaring Brook Nature Center is located at 70 Gracey Road in Canton. More information is available at www.TheChildrensMuseumCT.org.

For more information on sponsoring an educational exhibit or program at The Children’s Museum or Roaring Brook Nature Center, please contact Renee Hartshorn at rhartshorn@thechildrensmuseumct.org or (860) 231-2830 x230.

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