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FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

FOR THE LOVE OF NATURE

PLAY, LEARN, SERVE, WORK OUTDOORS

The YMCA of Greater St. Louis, in strong partnership with the U.S. National Park Service, is excited to introduce four new, fun and educational camp opportunities.

Register at ymcastlouis.org or contact your local branch.





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GATEWAY TO THE WEST

Ages 5-13. Even before the Arch was built, the St. Louis Riverfront was a happening place to be! In partnership with the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial and U.S. National Park Service, campers will experience the rich history and exciting times that made it the Gateway to the West. Campers will take part in fur trading, pioneer games, colonial St. Louis, riverboats, and the Old Courthouse. Journey to the top of the Arch and get a behind-the-scenes look at westward expansion, area settlers, historical hiking trails and much more!

June 8-12

1863 AND ME: THE CIVIL WAR EXPERIENCE

Ages 5-13. Campers will experience an exciting week of what life was like in 1863, during the Civil War. In partnership with the U.S. National Park Service and the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site, campers learn about not only the Civil War but all that was connected to that era: railroads, Grants Farm, White Haven Farm, Father Dickson's Cemetery, hiking the Grant Trail, reenactments of the Civil War and the nation's longest operating Armed Services location at Jefferson Barracks.

June 29-July 3

ROLLIN' ON THE RIVER

Ages 5-13. Explore two of the greatest rivers in the world right here in St. Louis! In partnership with National Great Rivers Museum, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, The Audubon Center at Riverlands, and National Audubon Society, campers will explore the actual locks & dams on the rivers, drive a simulated barge, ride a ferry, hike the Mississippi River Trail, learn water safety and environmental stewardship, and discover how the confluence of the two rivers creates the heart of one of North America's great migratory flyways.

June 15-19

BEYOND THE CONCRETE

Ages 5-13. This exciting week will provide campers with a love and appreciation for everything outdoors through experiences at local parks and conservation areas! Campers get to fish, hike, and gain orienteering and mapping skills. Campers also will learn nature survival skills, identify trees, trails, habitats, cook in the great outdoors and explore both urban and rural trails.

July 20-24

*Camps will be based at the South City YMCA with transportation to and from base camp provided from the Carondelet Park Rec Complex, Emerson, Monsanto and Downtown YMCAs. Fun Club participation will be located at camper's home branch.

*Campers will be sworn in as NPS-Junior Rangers and receive badges at the end of each camp week.

*Campers who participate in the YMCA-National Park Service Partnership Camp/s will be invited to attend a culminating event at the end of the summer. This exciting evening will feature a family camp fire with a youth overnight camp out in one of our state parks!

*YMCA-NPS Campers will be required to complete both YMCA and National Park Service enrollment forms to participate.

Camp Costs Y Members: \$120; Non-Members: \$140 Includes Fun Club