

# 21st Annual Nature Camp Adult Session

## *“Shapes and Patterns in Nature”*

June 11-15, 2010

NATURE CAMP’S ADULT SESSION:

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Nature Camp,  
Vesuvius, VA  
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Join us for an exciting environmental education experience in the cool green mountains of the George Washington National Forest of Virginia. The three-day session features classroom lectures, field studies and craft projects. Classes are typically one or two hours in duration with most of the time spent outdoors or in hands-on activities. Structure is informal, with questions and input from other instructors and attendees encouraged.

Our volunteer instructors, many of whom are former campers and now professionals in the sciences, will tell us about the basic processes that control natural forms, from the crystal structure of snowflakes to the logarithmic spiral in sea shells to the branching pattern of river valleys.

The \$210 fee per person includes great food, lodging in rustic single-sex cabins, insurance, and all materials and supplies. Tenting space is available, and the Days Inn in Raphine is available at your own expense for those who desire more luxurious accommodations. You can make reservations with them at (540) 377-2604.

Some of the classes and activities we will be offering:

- Snowflakes and Sea Shells: The Math and Physics of Natural Shapes - Terry Richardson, University of Charleston
- Getting Stoned on Primitive Technology -Walter Mehring, Primitive Crafts Specialist

- Animal Sound Patterns - Peter Mehring, Naturalist
- Mushroom Shapes and Spore Patterns - Leonarda Brunst, Naturalist
- Shapes in Silver: Making Jewelry with Natural Materials - Nell Fredericksen, Silversmith
- Leaf Prints in the Nature Journal -Betsy Bangle, Artist
- Stream Shapes and Patterns: The Basics of Fluvial Geomorphology- Gerald Pottern, RJGA Environmental
- Patterns in the Forest - Tom Dierauf, Forester
- Nature Images in Children's Poetry - Sharon Spangler, Writer
- Using Shape and Pattern to Identify Plant Families - Julie Moore, US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Morning bird walks
- Evening stargazing
- Evening walks for salamanders
- Half-day field-trip
- Sharing of favorite nature books
- Folk-singing
- Short hikes around the camp site

Attendees will arrive on the afternoon of Friday, June 11 and depart after breakfast on Tuesday, June 15.

Early registration is recommended, because we can only accommodate 50 people,

Camp is located about halfway between Staunton and Lexington, VA, east of I-81.

REGISTRATION for Nature Camp's  
21st Adult Session

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone (evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Send me info by   Email   Post   (circle one)

- I request a lower-berth bunk (check if Yes)

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(\$210 per person)

Make your check payable to:  
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