

Art in Your Backyard Camp

9 am-12 pm

Ryerson Conservation Area, Education Cabins
21950 N. Riverwoods Rd., Riverwoods, IL 60015



Monday: Rocks

Campers will rock out today! Our nature walk will explore geology as campers learn some rock basics. Rocks with interesting shapes and colors will be the basis of artistic creations from pet rocks to story stones.



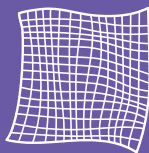
Tuesday: Plants

Plants, ranging from wildflowers to grasses to buckthorn, are the focus of our nature study and artistic creations today. On our nature walk, campers will take a closer look at where plants grow and identify invasive species. Then they'll make paper, bookmarks, and cornhusk dolls.



Wednesday: Bugs

Be quiet and careful as we look for bugs under logs and on trees. Campers will discuss what a bug is, where they live in nature, and how they survive. Our artwork will include making a bug hotel, observing worms, and making a beeswax candle.



Thursday: Textures in Nature

Explore all the textures found in nature. We will focus today on finding different ways to use natural textures in art. Campers will create nature collages, paint with different textures, and dye fabric.



Friday: Temporary Art

On our final day, we will investigate how to use nature to create temporary pieces of art. For inspiration, we'll look at examples of nature being transformed. We will use sidewalk chalk, make self-portraits using found natural materials, and create weaving structures. For our final piece, we'll make a giant collaborative sculpture inspired by artist Andy Goldsworthy.



Read This, Too!

Campers will be outdoors each day, so be sure they have sunscreen on and have a water bottle. Please send a snack with your child, as there will be time for one each morning. Please note: some activities may be substituted or modified. Cancellations or changes due to weather will be emailed to the address listed on the camp health form. If you have questions or concerns, please call Sarah Salto at 847-514-6749.

