

## Summer Camps & Activities Information – 2016



**BC Easter Seals Camps** provide overnight summer camping experiences for children and teens with physical and/or mental disabilities throughout British Columbia. We operate three accessible camp locations: **Camp Shawnigan** on Vancouver Island, **Camp Squamish** north of Vancouver, and **Camp Winfield** in the Okanagan Valley. Every summer over 900 kids with disabilities come to camp to have the best week of their year. **Summer Camp applications will be available April 1, 2016.**

Summer 2016 Dates, Applications & More info: <http://www.eastersealscamps.ca/>



**SFU's Autism & Developmental Disorders Lab** is offering its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Social Science Camp this summer. This is a FREE, fun, and educational camp for children aged 7-12 with or without Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). These camps take place in July on SFU campus in Burnaby and camp volunteers are composed of SFU faculty, students, and community professionals. All campers receive a cool SFU Social Science Camp T-shirt!

The camp for children without ASD will take place on **Saturday, July 16, 2016** from 9am- 3pm. The camp for children with ASD will take place on **Saturday, July 23, 2016** from 9am- 3pm.

More information and registration at: <http://autismlab.psyc.sfu.ca/Camp2016>



Located on the shores of Stave Lake in beautiful Mission, BC, **Zajac Ranch for Children** is situated on over 40 acres of pristine forested land. In the summer months, Zajac Ranch provides camps for children with chronic, life-threatening and/or debilitating conditions. These experiences give participants the opportunity to explore the great outdoors and to enjoy the diversity and beauty of our wilderness surroundings. **Registration is now open for Summer 2016.**

Get the 2016 Camper Application Form [here](#) . Financial Assistance information [here](#) .

More Information: <http://www.zajacranch.com/> or see the Spring/Summer 2016 camp calendar at <http://zajacranch.com/camp/campcalendar/>



Helping kids and teens grow up healthy, active and engaged is why the **YMCA** exists. For more than 100 years, we've provided fun camp adventures that combine new friendships, physical activity and personal growth to cultivate memories that last a lifetime. We believe camp is like no other childhood experience—one that every child deserves to take part in.

**Campers with Special Needs** : YMCA Camp Elphinstone is able to assist campers with basic physical and mental disabilities. For one-on-one help, we offer integrated programs that allow children with physical, mental or developmental special needs the chance to be a part of summer camp programs. We also offer fully accessible lodges that provide wheelchair access and adjoining washrooms. If you feel your child is in need of extra attention, please contact us for more information. Early registration is encouraged as space is limited.

**Summer Camp calendar, dates and registration link can be accessed [here](#) – registration is now open.**

**Information on Day Camps, Overnight Camps & Outdoor Education: <http://www.vanymca.org/camps/>**



**Eureka Outdoor Camp** has been offering outdoor recreation programs for children and adolescents with invisible disabilities since 1980. This camp for kids with ADD, learning disabilities, obsessive compulsive disorder, autism and other invisible disabilities provides children with a sense of accomplishment through guided success. Campers are offered a chance to try new skills and make friends in an emotionally safe and friendly environment. Our staff have a good understanding of invisible disabilities and the challenges they create, and will work closely with each camper to support, encourage and celebrate every success. **Summer Camp registration is now open.**

**2016 Camp information [here](#) and Camp Subsidy [link here](#) .**

**For more information visit: [www.eurekacamp.ca](http://www.eurekacamp.ca)**



**The Canucks Autism Network (CAN)** provides year-round, innovative, high quality sports, recreational, social and vocational programs for individuals and families living with autism, while building awareness and capacity through community networks across British Columbia.

The Canucks Autism Network team consists of a diverse group of trained staff, support workers and dedicated volunteers who administer programs for families and individuals living with autism in our province.

**For more information and program listings: <http://www.canucksautism.ca/Programs.htm>**

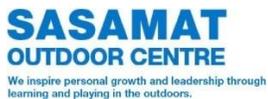


## OPERATION TRACKSHOES:

Held at the University of Victoria, Fri. June 10<sup>th</sup> to Sun. June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Operation Trackshoes (OT)** is for anyone in British Columbia between the ages of 6 and 80 who has a developmental disability. We can offer you a full length competitive track and field meet, a fun-filled weekend of family picnic type games, swimming, softball, basketball, and great social events including a fabulous dinner and dance.

More information: <http://www.trackshoes.ca/index.html>



At **Sasamat Outdoor Centre**, we believe that healthy people make a healthy society. Our programs reflect our firm belief that quality camping and outdoor experiences are key factors in personal growth and development. A progressive and socially responsible non-profit organization, we are dedicated to investing in our children, in our youth and families, and in our community.

Registration for Summer 2016 is now open.

More information: [https://sasamat.org/Summer\\_Camp\\_Programs.html](https://sasamat.org/Summer_Camp_Programs.html)

Campership Subsidy info [here](#)



**Disabled (or adaptive) Sailing**, promotes freedom and independence. Even people with no movement below the neck are able to sail by themselves. Sailing is now one of the fastest-growing sports for people with a disability. Participants range from complete novices to experienced racers – sailing instruction is available, although not mandatory. Some come along for a sunny afternoon leisure activity, others are regular faces.  
**DSA-BC offers sailing experiences to children aged eight and up.**

View the 2016 [Calendar of Events](#).

For more information: <http://www.disabledsailingbc.org/about.shtml>



**Power To Be** provides adventure-based programs designed for youth and families in need of support. Through a collaborative approach and caring staff, Power To Be inspires connections with nature and the discovery of limitless ability.

We achieve our mission by providing a unique and inclusive year-round outdoor education curriculum that promotes physical health and emotional well-being, develops interpersonal and leadership skills, teaches environmental and social stewardship, supports community engagement and family connectedness.

Find more information at: <https://www.powertobe.ca/>



### **PedalHeads Bike Camps**

From training wheels to trails, Pedalheads® is a learn-to-ride bike program that has safe, fun and challenging camps for children ages 2-12. Since 1995 we have taught over 200,000 children to ride, using our own teaching method, combined with small classes and exceptional instructors. Our comprehensive program opens up a world of opportunities for a lifetime of cycling.

Pedalheads® offers bike camps from beginner (level 1) to advanced riders (level 8). Each level includes 5 learning categories: safety knowledge, safety skills, trail riding, street riding, and bike maintenance.

**2016 Summer Registration opens Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.**

Get more info at <http://www.pedalheads.com/>



### **HeroHeads SuperHero Camps**

Heroheads is a superhero themed instructional program that focuses on the development of various physical skills for children ages 4 to 8. The program is designed to allow children the opportunity to practice the Heroheads Super 7 Skills, which are based off of the Long Term Athlete Development Model (LTAD): Locomotion (run, jump, skip and climb): Agility; Throwing; Catching; Balance; Kicking; and Hand-eye coordination.

Kids will participate in a variety of skills, drills, obstacle courses, and games to build their superpowers (the Super 7 Skills), and train to take on the Super 7 Challenge and Heroheads Rescue Race on the final day of camp. Skills will be broken down into manageable chunks and will be progressive.

More details and registration at <https://www.pedalheads.com/heroheads/register-british-columbia>



Friend2Friend Social Learning Society

Fostering Play and Friendships for Individuals on the Autism Spectrum



Registration for Summer Camp is now open. Play Centre Summer Camp programs are offered early at both Play Centre locations (East Vancouver and New Westminster). Each program consists of a small stable group of novice and expert players (ratio: 2 novice / 3 expert players). A Novice Player is a child with autism or related social, communication and peer play needs. An Expert Player is a typically developing child with advanced social, communication and peer play skills. Expert Player attend all play groups program completely free of charge. Camps are offered 4 days per week (Monday -Thursdays in 2 hour sessions) led by Master Guides and Play Guides.

More information and registration here: <http://www.friend2friendsociety.org/childrens-programs/registration-spring-and-summer-camp-integrated-play-groups/>



View the **Place des Arts** Summer 2016 Program Guide here: [http://www.placedesarts.ca/documents/2016\\_Summer-Program-Guide.pdf](http://www.placedesarts.ca/documents/2016_Summer-Program-Guide.pdf) . **Summer registration begins April 3, 2016.**



Summer school is a fun and motivating program designed to provide students 10 to 20 years of age with an opportunity to continue their academic and social development during the summer. There is a special emphasis on increasing expressive language to develop social participation. The program uses age appropriate materials and provides an opportunity to increase personal responsibility to the best of each student's ability. The sessions are modular with new topics introduced during each two-week block.

The mornings are devoted to math and reading and the afternoon theme varies each two-week block.

View course descriptions and access registration forms here:

<http://www.dsrf.org/media/Summer%20School%20FINAL%202016.pdf>



**Unique Get Together Society**

Offers a variety of programs and services for children and youth with special needs – up to 18 years of age. Services include behavioural intervention, respite, social and recreational services, and various summer activities and camps. This summer, also offering “Summer Nights” – activities planned in and around Vancouver for youth aged 14 – 18 years.

<http://www.uniquegettogethersociety.com/>

View calendar of events at <http://www.uniquegettogethersociety.com/uniquegettogethergmail-com-2/>