

# Bethel Camp for the Arts

## Kaleidoscope

### 2009 Info Sessions

#### MARYLAND:

**Fri., Jan. 23, 2009**  
5:30 – 8:30 pm  
Courtyard by Marriott  
2500 Research Blvd.  
Rockville, MD  
(301) 670-6700

#### CONNECTICUT:

**Wed., Jan. 28, 2009**  
3:30 – 5:00 pm  
Courtyard by Marriott  
474 Main Ave., Norwalk  
(203) 849- 9111

#### MASSACHUSETTS:

**Natick**  
Sat. Jan. 31, 1-4:00 pm  
The Hampton Inn  
319 Speen Street  
(508) 653-5000

#### **Chestnut Hill**

1) Sun. Feb. 1, 1-4:00 pm  
2) Sun. Feb. 8, 4-6:00 pm  
The Farm Condominiums  
(Call for directions)

#### **Danvers**

Sat. Feb. 7, 4-6:00 pm  
Courtyard by Marriott  
275 Independence Way  
(978) 777-8630

## Making Friends:

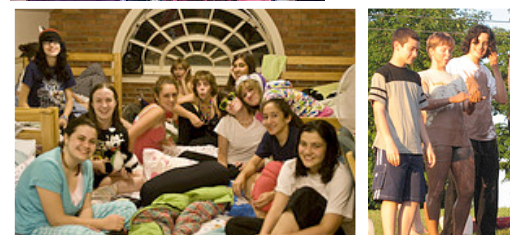
***The best reason to go to camp, even when fear gets in the way.***

Going away to camp can be scary, especially when no friends from home are there. However, when children or teens find a camp with likeminded kids, they often develop social skills that take them out of their predefined roles at home. With a little push to take the leap, even the most apprehensive campers make friends and memories to last a lifetime!

What if a child is really shy? There are tips that can help anyone make friends more easily, especially if it doesn't come naturally. Here are a few tips from [www.shykids.com](http://www.shykids.com):

**1) Smile!** When you smile, people think you're friendly and easy to talk to. If it seems hard, practice frowning and smiling in the mirror, and you'll see what a difference it makes. **2) Start an easy conversation** by saying something nice about a person. For example, say, "nice shirt!" or "great drawing!" Think about how good you feel when someone says something nice about you. And if someone compliments you, don't freeze up. Just smile, and say thank you! **3) Ask your new friends questions** about themselves. Who's their favorite singer, what's their favorite movie, where do they live? These are all good questions to ask. This is a good way to get to know what a person is like, and to let them

know that you're interested in them. Make sure you have answers to these questions, too. Think about it before you go to camp, and perhaps write them down in a journal. It's okay to put some work into this!



In many ways it can be easier to make friends at camp than it is at home. First of all, we work hard to help everyone get to know each other through ice-breaker games, closing circles on the dorm floors, stimulating conversations at the dining hall tables. And, since our campers choose their activities, you're sure to meet other kids with some of the same interests.

So what are you waiting for? It's time to put a big smile on your face and come to camp to make some amazing friends! ❄️

### **Bethel Camp for the Arts Mission Statement:**

To provide a non-competitive, nurturing environment in which children can explore and enjoy a balance of fine and performing arts, technology, enrichment activities and individual/lifetime sports as part of a small, inclusive community.

### **Our approach to the camp experience:**

We are a non-traditional camp with no team sports or color war. Campers create their own schedules, choosing from a wide variety of activities. At Bethel Camp for the Arts, we are committed to offering the highest quality program, staff and facility. We welcome all children to join us and celebrate being who they are!

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## NEW ACTIVITIES:

IN 2009 WE'LL BE ADDING A NUMBER OF EXCITING NEW ACTIVITIES! These are not finalized, but here's what we've been discussing for our Visual Arts activities:

- ◆ Art Exploration (8-11 year olds)
- ◆ World Cultures (8-11 year olds)
- ◆ Advanced Metal Jewelry
- ◆ Advanced Sculpture
- ◆ Puppetry
- ◆ Vintage Fashion Creation
- ◆ Weaving
- ◆ Cartooning
- ◆ Graphic Arts (non-computerized)
- ◆ Raku (part of our pottery program)
- ◆ T-Shirt Design/Printmaking

Potential New Technology Activities:

- ◆ Podcasting
- ◆ Advanced Robotics

Our Theater Program is undergoing some changes, and we'll be announcing new theater activities soon. ❄



## NEW T-SHIRTS!

CREATIVITY IS BEING UNLEASHED at this very moment as our talented counselor, Casey Bell designs new camp t-shirts for 2009! Owning a Casey Bell original is surely a reason to come back to Bethel Camp for the Arts! ❄

## STAFF

THE MOST IMPORTANT part of Bethel Camp for the Arts is our amazing staff! This is because we're very picky about who we hire. We try to interview potential staff members in person, with a lengthy interview process. We also

spend time checking references and doing background checks through Intellicorp. We maintain approximately a 3:1 camper to staff ratio.



## Which staff members are coming back?

We're happy to tell you that some of our best staff members are returning:

- ◆ Marilyn Barry – Visual Arts Dir.
- ◆ Ashley Hensel-Browning – Head Girls' Counselor/Dance Director
- ◆ Bethany Queior—Head Girls' Counselor/Yoga Instructor
- ◆ Katie Gibson – Assistant Head Girls' Dorm
- ◆ Lona Lee – Assistant Head Girls' Dorm/Dance
- ◆ Brant Wells– Head Boys' Counselor/Videography
- ◆ Ryan McDonald—Assistant Head Boys Dorm
- ◆ M-J White – Dorm/Martial Arts
- ◆ Amara Thomas – Dorm/Theater
- ◆ Shawna Lancaster– Dorm/Theater
- ◆ Lindsay Keyes - Art
- ◆ Sebastian Acosta–Dorm/Robotics
- ◆ Lauren Termini – Dorm/Photog.
- ◆ Brittany Davies–Dorm/Robotics
- ◆ Caterina Fisher – Dorm/Dance
- ◆ Casey Bell –Art/Videog/Dorm
- ◆ Ashley Oliver – Dorm/Pottery
- ◆ Andrés Walton – Dorm/Tennis
- ◆ Alexa Marcotte –Dorm/Kayaking
- ◆ Kate Shults – Dorm/Videography
- ◆ Drew Wendel – Dorm/Biking
- ◆ Lysanne Picarde – Dorm/Art/Guitar
- ◆ Sharikka Finley Moise – Dorm/Fitness
- ◆ Mark Ford – Ham Radio/Podcasting
- ◆ Cathi DiCocco – Culinary Arts

- ◆ Becky Swan – Nurse
- ◆ Kate Slattery – Animal Care
- ◆ Maureen Libby & her alpacas!

## New staff members:

- ◆ Lauren Raimondi – Dorm/Art
- ◆ MaryEllen McCone – Nurse
- ◆ Jeff Bell – Visual Arts

## ENHANCED ART STAFF:

Because we strive to have one of the best Visual Arts programs at an overnight summer camp in the U.S., we are greatly enhancing our arts staff this year. We're proud to announce that we've hired Jeff Bell, an experienced art teacher who will work closely with Marilyn Barry. Jeff has many years of experience teaching art including 22 years at Windham High School in Portland, Maine; 18 years at the University of Southern Maine's summer program for college students; and many years at summer camps including Artrek at the Portland Museum of Art.

In addition, Lindsay Keyes, a returning art staff member, will be moving out of the dorms to focus on teaching visual arts this summer!

We're still hiring staff, so check out our web site staff pages to keep updated. ❄



## ASK US ABOUT OUR:

