



Nature Heroes Camp 2016
June 20–24, 1–5 p.m.

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What makes someone a Nature Hero? Is it someone who teaches others about nature? Someone who builds a park? What about someone who plants flowers in their yard from which insects can eat? Learn to explore the world in the way that Nature Heroes throughout history have and inspire new Nature Heroes in your own communities.

Monday: Getting Started

- Introductions
- What makes a Nature Hero?
- Exploring a few naturalist journal examples, making journals
- Finishing journals and exploring the rooftop.
- Overview of nature heroes we will be talking about, Journaling 'Assignment' and goodbyes

Tuesday: Observation

- Intro to the day (what's something you saw outside last night?)
- Intro to John Muir and journaling
- Intro to John Francis and planetwalking
- Explore outdoors through contemplative walking, sketching, and reflection; sharing journal
- Intro to Jane Goodall and animal behavior, how/why do we study animal behavior
- Outdoor observations: watch interaction between birds on feeders, discuss animal behaviors witnessed

Wednesday: Plants and Animals

- Intro to Roger Tory Peterson and John James Audubon, drawing and categorizing plants & animals
- Sketching activity
- Intro to Aldo Leopold and George Washington Carver, studying plants and restoration
- Scavenger hunt
- Seed planting on rooftop

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Thursday: Exploration

- Intro to Lewis and Clark
- Walking journey to the “Pacific Ocean” (Lake Mendota) activity described in separate document

Friday: Bringing it All Back Home

- Revisit question “What makes someone a Nature Hero?”
- Explore and document via drawing, journaling, creative projects
- Sharing of journals
- Taking action: nature heroes in your own life; what can kids do to protect explore nature?