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**Registration for 2009 Summer Camps
At the Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary
Starting March 16th! Camp Schedule: June 8-August 7
&
“Sneak a Peak” at the Heard (2009 Events and Programs)**

The days of kids enjoying their summer outdoors are not lost to the past! The Heard offers an in-depth nature education in our 289 acre Wildlife Sanctuary, where kids can learn about nature and animals during guided hikes. Choose from Camp Diamond, Camp Shark Tooth, Eco-Explorers, an Audubon naturalist summer art camp, plus a range of specialty camps! Studies will include geology, herpetology, forestry, paleontology, Nature CSI and many more.

Extended day activities available. Details and registration forms are online in the Education section at www.heardmuseum.org. Summer camps will be available June 8-August 7.

Registration schedule

- Registration for museum members begins March 2nd
- Early Public registration begins March 16th
- Register by April 1st to be eligible for \$10 discount

Summer campers will also have the opportunity to see the summer exhibits. Exhibits will include *Treasures from the Earth*, a *Native Texas Butterfly* exhibit and *Live Animals of the World: A Conservation Exhibit*.

The Heard 2009—Sneak a Peak!

| Events | |
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| Heard Photo Contest | <i>Submissions accepted:</i> February 1-14 <i>Photos on display:</i> February 22 – March 27 <i>Reception:</i> March 1 |
| Take a Hike! for your Community (fundraiser) | March 28 |
| Big Bend Trip | April 1-5 |
| A BRAND NEW indoor exhibit: Treasures from the Earth: Diamonds, Gold and Dinos | Coming in April |
| Spring Plant Sale | <i>Members Only:</i> April 17 <i>Open to Public:</i> April 18-19 |

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| 3rd Annual Green Living Family Festival | May 2 |
| Native Texas Butterflies & Animals of the World | Summer Exhibits |
| Dinosaurs Alive! | Coming in October |

| Education Programs | |
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| Preschool/homeschool classes | Now-April 16 |
| Night Hikes | March 7 (<i>Owl Prowl Night Hike</i>), April 25, July 18, October 24 |
| Summer camps | Early public registration begins March 16 Registration for members begins March 2 Camps available June 8-August 7 |
| Scouting Programs | Programs available each month and by reservation |
| Ropes Course | 14 challenging elements in the beautiful Heard forest. By reservation only; check heardmuseum.org Also have 4 “open to the public” Saturdays per year—check website for details |

Address, Contact & General Admission

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General Admission: \$8 adults; \$5 kids 3-12 & seniors; Members are free

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