

Description of Camp

Camp Hollywoodland is located in Griffith Park nestled in a canyon between the Hollywood Sign and the Griffith Park Observatory. Operated by the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks, the camp was designed to provide camping and recreational programs for girls. The facility includes 10 cabins, rest rooms, showers, a craft-room, dance studio, adventure challenge course, and main lodge.

Activity Leaders arrive on Monday mornings and work a varying schedule depending on program needs. The week is filled with theme-based activities and everyday camp activities which include swimming, crafts, games, outdoor cooking, dance and many more. The majority of an Activity Leader's time is spent working on the ropes course, climbing wall, at the pool or leading games. Camp Hollywoodland provides overnight camping experiences and outdoor recreational programs for girls ages 6-17.

Camp Hollywoodland has maintained a high reputation of quality supervision and care for over 90 years. As an Activity Leader on our staff you will be expected to adhere to all the guidelines set in our camp manual. Every minute of our weeks are planned with fun activities, and all staff are expected to adhere to those schedules. To ensure that we keep quality staff throughout the season all Activity Leaders are subject to weekly performance reviews. In the review process you will be evaluated on things such as: punctuality, enthusiasm, supervision, communication and participation. Employment for the entire summer is not guaranteed. If we feel as though you are not meeting our expectations, or are not actively trying to improve as the summer goes on, you may be given a week or more off to ensure our quality of service is being upheld. Please consider these details when applying for a position at Camp Hollywoodland.

Director's Message

Camp Hollywoodland has been offering quality programs since 1926. Our most popular program is our overnight summer camp for girls. We also offer parent/child weekends, movie nights, family day camps, girl getaway weekends and winter camp. Each spring we hire 30-40 counselors, in addition to support staff for the kitchen, ropes course and swimming pool to help run our programs. Working at Camp Hollywoodland is more than just a summer job. Every member of our staff is important to the success of our program and we are very selective in hiring the right team for our camp family. We are looking for multi-talented individuals who can work well in groups as well as independently, providing personalized attention and instruction to our campers.

We respect the unique skills and experience each staff member brings to camp and welcome new ideas to enhance our traditions. Directors and Senior Staff work closely with activity leaders to ensure they will have a positive and meaningful summer with all the support and guidance they need. Serving as an activity leader can be a very rewarding experience for both the activity leader and campers. You will come away from camp having had a variety of experiences, memories and friendships that you will cherish for many years to come.

Thank you again for your interest in Camp Hollywoodland. We look forward to receiving your application.

Sincerely, Lynette "Cricket" Smith Camp Director



Job: Activity Leader

Activity Leader Purpose: An Activity Leader's purpose is to help create community, help campers build relationships, to be a role model, help campers build self-reliance and provide campers opportunities to learn and master new skills.

Being an Activity Leader means putting campers needs ahead of your own, being organized, on time and reliable with planning and leading activities, following safety procedures, providing an emotionally and physically safe environment so campers feel they are taken care of and are at their home away from home, and giving campers the attention they need to grow. As an Activity Leader the majority of your job will be working on and running the high ropes course and climbing wall but it will also include leading games, and assisting many different activities when needed.

Desired Qualifications

- At least 18 years of age
- High School Diploma or equivalent and preferably one year of college
- Some paid or volunteer experience working with children is desired but not mandatory
- Ability to identify and put campers needs first
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Present a neat and professional appearance
- Ability to lift 50 pounds
- Have an enthusiastic and positive outlook
- Ability to accept supervision and guidance
- Good character, integrity, judgment and adaptability
- Have a strong desire to make a positive difference in a child's life
- Develop fun and positive relationships with campers and co-workers
- Ability to communicate and work with a variety of ages and skill levels
- Ability to work at heights up to 50 feet (in trees and on climbing walls) for extended periods of time
- Ability to supervise children in an all day and overnight environment
- Ability to speak and perform in front of large groups
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to be patient, sensitive, understanding and nurturing
- Posses critical thinking skills and techniques to be applied to situations that may arise with campers
- In accordance with the City's Ordinance 187134, a future City employees must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

General Responsibilities

- Supervise children through activities
- Responsible for the general safety and wellbeing of campers
- Identify and meet campers needs
- Carry out and follow camp programs
- Provide a safe, friendly, loving, encouraging environment to campers and co-workers
- Camp runs from June 10, 2024 August 9, 2024. Dates may vary depending on LAUSD Schedule.
- Work on/run high ropes course, low ropes course and climbing wall



Job Description:

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities

- Ability to ensure the health, safety and well-being of all campers in your group
- Ability to relate to campers of different age groups in a positive manner
- Ability to create, plan and lead a variety of activities
- Ability to relate to and work with peers in a positive manner
- Ability to take direction from supervisors
- Ability to communicate with campers, coworkers and supervisors
- Ability to speak in front of groups both large and small, leading activity orientation, activities and all camp events
- Ability to be punctual to camp and to activities
- Ability to follow all camps policies, procedures and rules
- Basic CPR, first aid and AED knowledge (must obtain certification before 6-9-24)
- Ability to recognize and respond to emotional, physical and personal needs
- Ability to make appropriate decisions based on the training received when it comes to campers, parents and staff
- Ability to pass the certification training to run the climbing wall and high ropes course after the training

Relationships:

The success of our camp program is dependent on the relationships staff build with campers, parents and other staff members. It is expected that Activity Leaders, when interacting with others, are respectful, encouraging, friendly and easy to talk to. It is important to help campers, parents and counselors feel at ease when using the climbing wall and high ropes course.

Physical Requirements of the job:

- Physical endurance to walk/hike long distances
- Physical ability to participate in activities some requiring prolonged standing, sitting, and bending
- Physical ability to participate in activities with campers such as running, swimming, climbing and playing games
- Ability to lift 50 pounds
- Ability to work up to 50 feet in the air for extended periods of time.
- Comfort with exposure to animals including dogs, coyotes, mountain lions, bobcats, snakes, bugs, rabbits, and squirrels.
- In the presence of campers, ability and willingness to eat food provided by the camp
- Ability to pick up and move camper luggage



Our Ideal Candidate

We are looking for people who have a sincere desire to work with children, people who are caring, nurturing and patient, people who are capable of leading activities, people who are willing to act silly, dress in costume and people who are truly kids at heart. Our ideal candidate will understand the importance of building relationships, have an outstanding work ethic and believe it is their job to make a positive difference in a child's life.

Hiring Process

- 1. Fill out an application and submit to: Camp Hollywoodland 3200 Canyon Dr. Hollywood, CA 90068, or email to camp.hollywoodland@lacity.org
- 2. If your application is selected, you will be contacted for an **in-person** interview. The interview process could include up to 3 interviews. An interview does not guarantee a position.
- 3. Applications will be accepted January 8, 2024– April 19, 2024 or until positions are filled.
- 4. If you are selected to be an Activity Leader you must fill out an official City of Los Angeles hiring application, get a TB test and be fingerprinted at an official City of Los Angeles fingerprinting facility.
- 5. Once selected to be an Activity Leader you will need to be certified in infant, child and adult CPR, First Aid and AED by the American Heart Association. Classes must be completed in 2024. Activity Leaders will also need to take and pass our Ropes Course and Climbing Wall Certification training. Dates to be announced.

Training

Our first mandatory staff meeting is Friday May 17,2024. Our Mandatory in-service training is the week of June 10-14, 2024. The High Ropes Course and Climbing Wall training will be towards the end of May or the beginning of June. All Ropes Course staff must attend training.

Salary

\$20.00 an hour; hours vary weekly (usually 15-30 hours/wk) depending on program needs. Meals and snacks provided while on duty.



Activity Leader

Personal Information

Permanent Adress:						
			City	State	Zip	
Cell Phone () Home Phone ()						
Email Address						
Camp Experie	nce					
Have you ever bee	en: N	umber of years:	Overnight or day	camp: At wh	nat camp:	
A camper						
A counselor						
Education						
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Supervisor Name:			Ph	one #: () _		
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Leadership skills Please read and evaluate your experience in the following categories according to the scale below:

- "I've done it"
 "I've done it, I can try to lead it"
 "I've done it, I've led it, I am ready to go."

Arts and Crafts	Water aerobics	Sciences
Camp Crafts	Gymnastics	Astronomy
Painting	Synchronized swimming	Biology
Drawing	Game Leading	Outdoor cooking
Animation	High Ropes Course	
Lanyards	Climbing wall	Misc.
Friendship bracelets	<u> </u>	Make-up/beauty/hairstyling
Tie-dye	Dance/ Exercise	Color Guard
Other	Jazz	Cheerleading
	Ballet	Newspaper production
Theater/Drama/Music	Hip hop	Creative writing
	Yoga	Poetry
Improv	Pilates	Puppetry
Acting Play writing	Kickboxing	Baking/cooking
	Karate/martial arts	Drill team
Singing Guitar	Hula hooping	Sign language
Guitai	Zumba	Fashion Design
Snowta/Comos	Line dancing	Other
Sports/Games Basketball	Swing dance	Other
	<u> </u>	Other
Volleyball	Nature	
Soccer	Hiking	
Archery Swimming/Diving	Environmental awareness	
Swimming/ Diving	Geo caching	
	olease put some thought into them b The more you tell us, the better.	efore answering. These questions
1. Has anyone at Camp Hollyw	roodland recommended you? If so, W	hom? How do you know him/her?
2. How did you hear about the	position?	
3. Please list your participation	in clubs or groups:	



4. Why do you want to be a Activity Leader at Camp Hollywoodland?					
5. What do you expect or hope to gain from	m the Activity Leader experience?				
6. How can you contribute to the program at Camp Hollywoodland?					
First aid Certification: Type	Expiration Date:				
CPR Certification: Type	Expiration Date:				
Summer Dates Available:					
From:	to				
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This is an application. It does not guarantee a position as a Activity Leader.

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