

PEARLSTONE FAMILY FARM CAMP 2023

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

2:00-4:30 pm	Arrival and Check-In Come register and start to settle in to Pearlstone's beautiful campus and enjoy the splash pad, arts and crafts activities, and bike blender smoothies. Rooms will be ready at 3:00 pm.	Lobby
	Arts and Crafts and Bike Blender Smoothies	Mound
	Splash Pad (the pool is not open today, but the splash pad is...come cool off and enjoy)	Pool
3:00-5:00 pm	Snack Available	Lobby
4:30 pm	Tour of Campus Come get an overview of the retreat center and beautiful campus with Pearlstone staff. This will help to familiarize you with the various locations on campus where we will meet and where you can do some independent outdoor activities.	Back Deck of Main Building
5:30-6:25 pm	Welcome to Family Farm Camp 2023	
	Kids' Camp: For those ages 5-13, please come meet your counselors and bunkmates as we start our four days together. Parents, please drop your children ages 5-13 off with our staff and then come join us at the Tent.	Mound
	Adults: Icebreaker and Informational Session Note: For parents who are planning to have children in kids' camp, this includes a required orientation for at least one parent per family (unless you already attended via Zoom).	Tent
6:25 pm	Gather Outside Dining Hall to Sing the Motzi Our counselors will bring your children to meet you and we will sing the <i>motzi</i> together. Please	Outside of the Dining Hall

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	<p>wait to go into the dining room as a community.</p> <p>We will do the <i>motzi</i> together like this at all our lunches and dinners during Family Camp.</p>	
6:30-7:30 pm	Dinner and Song Session / Announcements	Dining Hall
7:45-8:45 pm	<p>Family Sunset Hike</p> <p>This is a wonderful introduction to Pearlstone with our educators. This hike will venture off the gravel paths into the woods, up some hills, and around our beautiful campus. We suggest that you wear closed-toed shoes and long pants and bring your water bottles.</p> <p>Please note: This hike is not stroller-friendly* nor well-suited for guests with mobility issues.</p>	Front Porch
8:45 pm	Dessert (cookies available)	Lobby
	Lailah Tov (good night) to our younger guests	
9:30-11:00 pm	<p>Coffeehouse Performance: Dan Nichols in Story and Song</p> <p>Come meet our artist-in-residence in an intimate coffeehouse setting.</p> <p>Dan will share, in story and song, how Judaism, summer camp and music have intersected and shaped his life and career.</p>	Tent
11:05 pm	<p>Parents: For those who wish, once you've put your children to bed, there will be Pearlstone staff in the Water Lounge between the lodges to listen to baby monitors during the evening program. If you'd like to take advantage of this, please mark your monitor with name, room number and phone number and be sure to speak directly to one of our staff members when you drop it off. Our staff members will reach out if necessary.</p> <p>Please be back to pick up the monitor promptly at 11:05. Thank you.</p>	Water Lounge

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*For information about accessible hiking options, please ask a member of the Program staff.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

7:30-8:15 am	Avodat Lev (Heart Work) Please join us for an early morning wakeup and musical meditation to start your day.	Bearman Fire Circle
7:45-8:15 am	Animal Visits Come say good morning to our farm animals. Please meet at the Pasture Gate and wait for Pearlstone staff to accompany you.	Pasture Gate
8:00-8:30 am	Yoga (mats provided) In our yoga class we will greet the day with a 30-minute <i>Vinyasa</i> flow, accompanied by a playlist to help inspire, move, and relax. Our teacher will guide us through basic yoga postures, flowing from one to another, moving with our inhalations and exhalations and taking pause in between postures to integrate.	Citron
8:00-9:30 am	Breakfast	Dining Hall
8:15-9:00 am	Supplement your Breakfast Drop by the fire circle to see how to cook a pancake over the fire and get a yummy start to your day!	Bearman Fire Circle
	Open Prayer Space: throughout the retreat, we will have dedicated space for independent prayer	Beit Midrash
9:15 am – 12:25 pm	Kids' Camp: For Our Guests Ages 2-13 Campers will explore the magic of the outdoors with Pearlstone's incredible educators. Our camp counselors have planned hikes, games, and lots of fun activities. All campers should wear closed-toed shoes and bring a hat and water bottle.	
	Drop off and pick up for ages 2-4	Stone Room
	Drop off for ages 5-13	Outside Earth Room

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	<p>Please note: For kids' camp ages 5-13, our staff will bring your children to meet you outside the dining hall at 12:25 when we gather for <i>motzi</i>.</p> <p>For kids' camp ages 2-4, please come get your children at 12:20 at the Stone Room.</p>	
	Adult Camp (14 and up):	
9:20-10:30 am	<p>Edible Plant Walk Join Pearlstone educators on a short hike where we will be tasting different wild and cultivated plants that grow at Pearlstone.</p>	Front Porch
10:45 am – 12:20 pm	<p>Shira L'Shma: Oh. My. G!d. Please join Dan Nichols for a deep dive into song craft and explore singer-songwriters' (Jewish and secular) perspectives on the meaning of time, love, place, purpose and "more-than-me-ness."</p>	Jubilee
10:30 am- 12:00 pm	Snack Available	Lobby
12:25 pm	<p>Pick up From Kids' Camp and Gather for Motzi Our staff will bring your children ages 5-13 to meet you as we gather to sing <i>motzi</i> together before lunch.</p>	Outside of Dining Hall
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch and Song Session	Dining Hall
	<p>Shulchan Ivrit – Come Speak Hebrew with Ortal! Each day at lunch, our Israeli educator, Ortal, will host a table for those who want to come practice their Hebrew skills.</p>	
1:30-6:00 pm	<p>Family Time: Take advantage of all Pearlstone has to offer Note: Sports Equipment (balls, frisbees) is available to borrow in the Mailroom in the Lobby (just to the right of the front doors) <i>And don't forget to prep for Family Share Time!</i></p>	Pool and Splash Pad, Sports Fields, Hiking Paths

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2:00-4:00 pm	<p>Family Top Chef Farm to Table Extravaganza (a FFC Favorite!) Who can make the best farm-to-table dish? Only our judges can decide! Come gather for a fun and exciting afternoon of Pearlstone-style <i>Top Chef</i>!</p>	Educational Farm
3:30-5:30 pm	Snack Available	Lobby
4:30-6:00 pm	<p>Shira L'Shma: Story Songs with Dan Nichols</p>	Jubilee
6:25 pm	Gather for Motzi	Outside of Dining Hall
6:30-7:30 pm	Dinner and Song Session	Dining Hall
7:45-9:00 pm	<p>Family Share Let's celebrate what makes you special! We love celebrating the talents of everyone in our community, so show off your talent as an individual, a family, or a group. Thank you for being brave and sharing yourself with your Pearlstone community!</p>	Jubilee
9:00 pm	<p>Tochnit Erev (Special Evening Program) for those ages 9-13; the program will end back at the campfire for smores</p>	Meet on Back Deck
9:00-9:30 pm	Family Campfire with Songs and S'mores	Pasture Fire Circle
9:30-11:00 pm	Adult Campfire continues....	Pasture Fire Circle

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

7:30-8:15 am	Avodat Lev Join us for an early morning wakeup and musical meditation to start your day	Bearman Fire Circle
8:00-8:30 am	Yoga In our yoga class we will greet the day with a 30-minute Vinyasa (flow), accompanied by a playlist to help inspire, move and relax. Our teacher will guide us through basic yoga postures, flowing from one to another, moving with our inhalations and exhalations and taking pause in between postures to integrate.	Citron
8:00-9:30 am	Breakfast	Dining Hall
8:15-9:00 am	Open Prayer Space	Jubilee
9:15 am – 12:25 pm	Kids' Camp	
	Drop off and pick up for ages 2-4	Stone Room
	Drop off for ages 5-13	Outside Earth Room
	<p>Please note: For kids' camp ages 5-13, our staff will bring your children to meet you outside the dining hall at 12:25 when we gather for <i>motzi</i>.</p> <p>For kids' camp ages 2-4, please come get your children at 12:20 at the Stone Room.</p>	
	Adult Camp (14 and up):	
9:20-10:30 am	Decomposition: Is this Waste, Well I Don't Know An Intro to Composting	Back Deck
10:45 am – 12:20 pm	Shira L'Shema: Come learn melodies and harmonies that we'll be using for our musical pre-Shabbat and Shabbat experiences led by Dan Nichols.	Jubilee
12:25 pm	Pick up From Kids' Camp and Gather for Motzi	Outside of Dining Hall

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	Our staff will bring your children ages 5-13 to meet you as we gather to sing <i>motzi</i> together before lunch.	
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch and Song Session	Dining Hall
1:30-5:30 pm	Family Time: Take advantage of all Pearlstone has to offer Note: Sports Equipment (balls, frisbees) is available to borrow in the Mailroom in the Lobby (just to the right of the front doors).	Pool and Splash Pad, Sports Fields, Hiking Paths
1:45-3:45 pm	Family Shabbat Party Join us for our Shabbat party festival where we will be making pitas, smoothies, tie-dying, singing with Dan Nichols and other special Shabbat preparations.	Wilderness Village
3:15-4:45 pm	Family Creek Walk This walk is best suited for those 5 and up, as we will be walking in the creek, which can be a little slippery at times. Please wear water shoes or other shoes you don't mind getting wet.	Meet at Wilderness Village
3:00-5:00 pm	Snack Available	Lobby
5:45-6:00 pm	Shabbat Walk Gather with our song leaders, as we sing our way into Shabbat. Please meet at Fidler's Grove or be outside on your walkway by 5:45 and join us as we go around the lodges picking up all the members of our community.	Meet by Fidler's Grove Cabin Area
6:00-6:30 pm	Community Kabbalat Shabbat We continue to welcome Shabbat in song and with a community candle lighting.	Back Deck
6:30-7:30 pm	T'filot:	
	Musical Shabbat Service with Dan Nichols	Jubilee
	Traditional Shabbat Service with <i>mechitzah</i> led by Rabbi Etan Mintz	Beit Midrash
7:45-8:45 pm	Shabbat Dinner <i>Kiddush and Motzi at your tables</i>	Dining Hall
9:00-10:30 pm	Shabbat Oneg Come enjoy dessert, adult beverages, and <i>Shabbat Tisch</i> with story and song with Rabbi Etan Mintz.	Tent

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

Shabbat Shalom. This morning, we hope you'll take advantage, on your own or with your family, of Pearlstone's natural beauty. Take a hike on one of our marked trails; read a book on the porch; go enjoy the scenic walk past the lake. In addition, our self-guided walk described below is available all day.

8:00-8:15 am	Animal Visits Come say good morning to our farm animals. Please meet at the Pasture Gate and wait for Pearlstone staff to accompany you.	Pasture Gate
8:00-8:30 am	Yoga In our yoga class we will greet the day with a 30-minute Vinyasa (flow). Our teacher will guide you through basic yoga postures, flowing from one to another, moving with our inhalations and exhalations and taking pause in between postures to integrate.	Citron
8:00-9:30 am	Breakfast	Dining Hall
9:30 am	Shabbat Reflection Walk Following our written prompts, take a self-guided individual or family walk for connection and reflection.	Begin at Pasture Fire Circle
9:30 am-12:00 pm	Traditional Shabbat Service/Torah Study with mechitzah led by Rabbi Etan Mintz	Beit Midrash
11:00 am-12:30 pm	Musical Contemplative Shabbat Song Circle with Dan Nichols	Jubilee
12:30-1:30 pm	Shabbat Lunch <i>Kiddush and Motzi at your tables</i>	Dining Hall
1:45-2:45 pm	Shabbat Study Session with Rabbi Etan Mintz and Dan Nichols Let's explore the meaning of " <i>Hazak v'Nitchazek: Be Strong and Let Us Strengthen One Another.</i> "	Tent
1:30-6:00 pm	Family Time: Take advantage of all Pearlstone has to offer Note: Sports Equipment (balls, frisbees) is available to borrow in the Mailroom in the Lobby (just to the right of the front doors).	Pool and Splash Pad Open, Sports Fields, Hiking Paths

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1:30-3:00 pm	High Ropes Open	Rosenberg High Ropes Course
3:00-4:00 pm	<i>Hitbodedut (Self-secluded Jewish Meditation)</i>	Meet on Back Deck
4:00-6:00 pm	Ziplines Open	Meet at Zipline
3:30-5:30 pm	Snack Available	Lobby
6:25 pm	Gather for Motzi	Outside of Dining Hall
6:30-7:30 pm	Dinner	Dining Hall
7:40-8:40 pm	Song and Study with Rabbi Etan Mintz and Dan Nichols: What is the Meaning of <i>Seudah Shlishit</i> (the third meal) on Shabbat?	Back Deck
9:00 pm	Musical Havdalah	Tent
9:30 pm	Campfire with Song and Story/Cookies	Pasture Fire Circle
11:05 pm	Parents: For those who wish, once you've put your children to bed, there will be Pearlstone staff in the Water Lounge between the lodges to listen to baby monitors so you can enjoy the campfire. If you'd like to take advantage of this, please mark your monitor with name, room number and phone number and be sure to speak directly to one of our staff members when you drop it off. Our staff members will reach out if necessary. Please be back to pick up the monitor promptly at 11:05. Thank you.	Water Lounge

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

7:30-8:15 am	Avodat Lev Join us for an early morning wakeup and musical meditation to start your day.	Bearman Fire Circle
8:00-9:30 am	Breakfast	Dining Hall
Time to pack up our rooms and cars...		
10:15 am	Closing Circle: Chazak v'Nitchazek Let's gather together one more time to sing and say goodbye.	Mound
11:00 am	Check-out Please leave your keys in the lobby	Lobby
Be Strong, Let us Strengthen One Another! See You Next Summer		

GUEST SERVICES

The guest services desk will be open between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm daily. Please let us know if there is anything that you need.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In the event of a medical emergency - call 911 first and then immediately notify Pearlstone staff by going to the guest services desk or locating a staff member. If it is after hours, call Jill Eisen at 410-303-4959.

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