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Wilmington's Most Innovative New Camp Comes to the Riverfront

Search for ospreys, beavers and snapping turtles at the DuPont Environmental Education Center. Row on the Christina with the Wilmington Youth Rowing Association. Play and learn in the Delaware Children's Museum interactive exhibits. Set sail on the Kalmar Nyckel ship and perform gun drills with a cannon replica. The Riverfront Discovery Camp on Wilmington's Riverfront offers all this and more, July 11-15, for youth ages 8 to 12.

The camp is a partnership between the Wilmington Youth Rowing Association; Delaware Children's Museum; the Kalmar Nyckel Foundation; Delaware Nature Society, which operates programming at DuPont Environmental Education Center (DEEC); and Riverfront Development Corp. of Delaware, which owns DEEC.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to be a part of such a unique camp," says John Harrod, manager of DEEC. "The Riverfront is rich in natural and cultural history and a fantastic place for youth to learn and play. Each partner organization in the camp has developed an exciting and innovative curriculum. It should be a camp week that kids will never forget."

"Tweens" ages 8 to 12 crave hands-on activities and novel experiences. The Riverfront Discovery Camp earns a thumbs-up in both respects. At DEEC, campers will use nets, microscopes and binoculars to explore the Russell W. Peterson Urban Wildlife Refuge. At the Wilmington Youth Rowing Association, campers will learn the ins and outs of rowing in indoor rowing tanks before heading out in teams on the Christina.

Limited space remains in the Riverfront Discovery Camp, which operates from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., July 11-15. Pick up and drop off is at the Delaware Children's Museum. Camp fee is \$325. Campers must be able to swim to take part in the rowing program. For more information, or to register, call the Delaware Children's Museum at 302-442-6860.

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