Monday (Music/Piano)

Head out on a jungle safari with your host, composer Camille Saint-Saens to discover the “Carnival of the Animals”; a humorous musical suite. Arrive to camp dressed as your favorite animal and prepare to be transported into a world of sounds and melodies that describe different animals using instruments of the orchestra. Each camper receives their very own music journal to record thoughts and feelings while listening to excerpts from this musical masterpiece. Get your paws ready, because you’ll learn how to be a lion---at the piano! Lions and lionesses will learn music vocabulary and rhythmic dictation, then practice these techniques at the piano, such as an “a tremolo” and “glissando”. We won’t forget about the master behind the music! We’ll dive into Saint-Saens’s manuscript, then make edible music notes with snacks on manuscript paper! During this session, children will not only relate to the character of each animal, but they will become composers by arranging their own animal sounds at the piano. Don’t hesitate to sign your “animaniacs” up for this educational and hands-on day of wild music fun!

Time: Monday July 23rd, 10 am to 12 pm
Where: 2330 Scoon Rd (Old VPAC studio)
Teacher: Ms Elizabeth
Price: $25 for the class or $75 for the entire 4 days*
Tuesday (Ballet/Movement)

This second day of camp is dedicated to all our colorful feathery friends and floating fishes! Think outside the cage/aquarium and dress up like a vibrant bird or fish. We’ll construct majestic wings at camp and learn all the different ways to flutter around, from a beautiful swan to a kooky cuckoo bird! We’ll soar and dive, and jump and peck our way through all the possible movements fowls of the air and land can make. We’ll even observe an excerpt from Saint-Seans’s production of “The Swan” and draw movement paths in our music journals. And what kid doesn’t like visiting the Aquarium? We’ll put on our ballet “flippers” and dive under the sea becoming fish, crabs, sharks, or even merpeople! Be warned; this portion of the day may get a little wet! But as we are drying in the sun, we will definitely be ready to munch on some yummy snacks! Go to valleyperformarts.org so you don’t miss out on this moving experience!

Time: Tuesday July 24th, 10 am to 12 pm
Where: 2330 Scoon Rd (old VPAC studio)
Teacher: Ms Erin
Price: $25 for the class or $75 for the entire 4 days*
Wednesday (Musical Theatre)

Hee haw!! Everyone thinks turtles and donkeys and kangaroos are hilarious! Saint-Saens hid some famous tunes in his music; can you hear them? Can you sing them? Can you dance them? Bring your dramatic side and a clean face on this day to learn how to do animal face-make up. Then, create your own animal puppets and write your own play. Perform your puppet show in front of your friends...but don’t look like an a$$& doing it! You can’t possibly miss out on this opportunity to share your wild side on center stage! Enroll today at valleyperformarts.org.

Time: Wednesday July 25th, 10 am to 12 pm
Where: 2330 Scoon Rd (old VPAC studio)
Teacher: Ms Sophi
Price: $25 for the class or $75 for the entire 4 days*
Thursday (Tumbling)

On our last day of camp we will go all the way back to the beginning of time. Listen to Saint-Saens's fossil movement while stretching out those creaky, ancient bones of yours. Dress up like a dinosaur for this day, and learn how to do some “dino-mite” tricks. Create your own fossil rubs and work up your carnivorous appetite for some fun Jurassic snacks! Then run! It’s a volcanic eruption! Your dinosaurs better hurry through the gymnastics obstacle course before they become extinct! Sign up today for this fun and active day you’ll never forget!

Time: Thursday July 26th, 10 am to 12 pm
Where: 2330 Scoon Rd (old VPAC studio)
Teachers: Ms Erica
Price: $25 for the class or $75 for the entire 4 days*