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# CRAFTING FRIENDSHIPS

QUILT & CRAFT RETREAT
YMCA CAMP ORKILA – FEBRUARY 2022



# **WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY CAMPOUTS AT CAMP ORKILA**

Dear Families,

We hope that you, your family, friends, and all those around you are safe and healthy.

This February, we will be offering our Quilt and Craft Retreat. Relax and reconnect with friends while quilting or crafting. Bring that project you started at the last retreat, or maybe something new. This will be our 10ish Year Anniversary! 2021 would have been 10, but COVID got in the way.

At Orkila, your health and safety are our top priorities. We will continue to work with national and local agencies to enact measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Activities are designed to facilitate physical distancing and structured cleaning.

Individuals ages 12 and older are required to show proof of full Covid-19 vaccination or a negative Covid-19 test result from a testing provider within 72 hours of entering Y Facilities. Any type of Covid-19 test administered by a testing provider can be used. Rapid tests used without the supervision of a testing provider, such as home kits, will not be accepted. This policy does not apply to children aged 11 or younger at this time. If someone is unable to show proof of vaccine status or negative test results at the time of their visit, they will be unable to enter the Y.

Cabins will be cleaned and disinfected between each use. Meals will be served in the lodge. We will observe federal, state, and county orders around reopening businesses and physical distancing measures.

We believe in the importance of the camp experience, now as much as ever. We hope you take this unique opportunity to explore a beautiful place, strengthen connections, develop skills and passions, and create confidence and memories together.

The contents of this packet explain in greater detail arrival information, accommodations and meals, program offerings and health and safety information. For additional information, please visit our website at www.camporkila.org, send us an email at campinfo@seattleymca.org or give us a call at 206.382.5009.

In the Orkila Spirt, Dave Affolter Executive Director



# **ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN**

#### **BEFORE YOU ARRIVE**

Please fill out and return meal and health and safety forms.

#### **CHECK-IN**

For the safety of all, arrival time begin at 2:00pm. We are unable to accommodate any early arrivals. Check-out time is 2:00pm. Additional check-in information will be sent out in advance of your arrival.

#### **CAMP TRANSPORTATION**

Camp will be providing a shuttle from the Orcas Ferry Landing to Camp. To sign up for this option, please email us at campinfo@seattleymca.org

Please walk on the ferry departing
Anacortes for Orcas at 3:45pm or 7:25pm.
When you hear the announcement on the
ferry that the vessel is arriving at Orcas
Island, proceed to the car deck right away
and head to the landing end of the ferry. Be
ready to walk off with your luggage as soon
as the ferry docks. A luggage truck and an
Orkila bus will be waiting ON the ferry ramp.
These vehicles can remain in place for only a
short time, so please be ready to board.

#### **DRIVING TO CAMP**

If you choose to drive to camp, plan to arrive at the Anacortes Ferry Landing\* at least an hour or two before sailing times listed on the WSDOT ferry schedule. Take any ferry bound for Orcas Island. Please arrive at camp no earlier than 4:30pm. At camp, park in designated areas only. Use the luggage carts provided to transport luggage to your cabin.

\*NOTE: With limited service, please check sailing schedules before planning your trip. Please see the WSDOT website for more information.

#### **ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION**

If you plan to arrive via plane or walking on a ferry other than the 3:45pm or 7:25pm departure, you will need to coordinate transport from these locations to Camp, please call one of the taxi services on the island in advance of your arrival for best results:

New Orcas Taxi Tours - 360 298 1639 Orcas Island Scenic Shuttle - 360 298 8414 Orcas Island Taxi Service - 360 376 8294 San Juan Transit & Shuttle - 360 378 8887

If you would like to arrive by personal boat or plane, please contact Katie O'Rourke at korourke@seattleymca.org to discuss your plans. Boats may not be tied up to the Orkila dock overnight, but a limited number of mooring buoys are available in the bay. Boaters must have their own tender to go from their boat at anchor to shore, and they should be aware that Orkila Bay can be rough in any season.

# **ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS**

**Dederer Center cabins** have heat and electricity, full kitchens and WI-FI, and are more private with four bedrooms that sleep four\* participants each in bunk beds. They feature two bathrooms, a cozy lounge, and linens provided.



Dederer Cabin Interior

\*for Quilt and Craft Retreat we only book 2 people per room to ensure everyone has a bottom bunk. If you would like to register more people to a room, please email our

office at campinfo@seattleymca.org

#### **NUT-FREE CAMP**

Due to the prevalence of nut allergies, we strive to make camp a nut-free zone. Please do not bring nut products or anything containing nut oil to camp. Thank you!

#### MEALS

The first meal we provide is dinner on the day of arrival. Pease note if you arrive on the ferry that departs at 7:25pm you will not arrive in time for dinner. The last meal we provide will be a hot lunch on your departure day.

Meals will be served from the lodge, dining will be at picnic tables outside the lodge (weather permitting) or inside the lodge in accordance with federal, state, and local guidance.

#### **SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS**

Our dining services staff work hard to provide well-balanced, healthy meals for your stay. Vegetarian options, including alternate milks are available at every meal.

If you have any additional dietary needs or allergies, please be sure to mark them in your registration information. You can also feel free to reach out to Celia Neser, our Food Services Manager, at cneser@seattleymca.org.

# **CAMP ACTIVITIES**

Each participant will have their own table in the Main Lodge. Tables will be in groups of two or three, each pod has a power strip. There is an option to let us know your tablemate preference in the registration forms.

Cutting mats and tools, design walls, irons and boards are all provided.

We encourage guests to explore all 285 acres of Camp, including out beachfront and forests. There are maps and camp scavenger hunts available in the Lodge and at the Main Office. All of our staff are happy to suggest walking trails around Camp. If you would like a guided tour, please let Katie know when you arrive.

#### MUSIC

We realize that everyone has varying musical tastes. For this reason, we will provide music only during some meals. If you would like to listen to music while you create, please bring a personal listening device with headphones.

# **CHALLENGE PIECE COMPETITION**

We will be having a Challenge Piece Competition for each session. The theme is "Connections" Please review the enclosed Challenge Piece Competition sheet for more details.

#### **ACTIVITIES WITH ADDITIONAL FEES**

Massages and additional raffle tickets and the Fabric Fix are the only activity with extra associated fees.

Massages may be available if practitioners have availability AND feel comfortable with practicing at the time of the event. Sign-ups will be available on the first evening.

REMEMBER: Practitioners accept cash or checks only. Prices vary based on what treatment to sign-up for.

Each participant will receive two complimentary ticket for the raffle, which has various prizes quilters and crafters will love. Additional tickets are available for \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Proceeds benefit our annual scholarship campaign.

Kris Norton from the Fabric Fix will be set-up in the downstairs of the Lodge with all your fabric and notions needs! Run a tab through your stay and pay at the end with cash, check, or credit card.

# **PACKING SUGGESTIONS**

# **EVERYONE SHOULD BRING:**

- Thermometer for health screenings
- Comfortable personal clothing
- Warm jacket, hat and gloves
- Rain gear
- Toiletries
- Sturdy, comfortable, closed-toe shoes for camp trails
- Flashlight or head lamp
- Water bottle & Travel Mug
- Supplies needed for your projects
- Task lamp for your table.

# **PROVIDED FOR YOU AT CAMP:**

- Bedding & Towel
- Table space, seating, design walls
- Ironing boards, irons, cutting tables, mats, guides, blades, power strips.

# **CRAFTING SPACE**

If your craft requires more space than a table or a special set-up, please email Katie at korourke@seattleymca.org so she can work with you to create a useful space.

#### **OPTIONAL ITEMS:**

- Camera
- Slippers for comfy crafting
- Good book
- Games
- Extra towel (one is provided)

# YMCA CAMP POLICIES

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

If anyone in your family is experiencing COVID-like symptoms (fever, persistent cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste or smell) please do not come to camp. Please call to let us know and we can look at rescheduling you or issuing a credit or refund. In most cases, due to physical distancing requirements, families will be required to address any first aid or illness needs. Please contact Y staff if you need support. Participants are required to notify Y staff immediately if any COVID-like symptoms present in any family members during your stay. Camp Orkila staff have the authority to enforce all Camp Orkila rules. Participants refusing to follow camp rules will be asked to leave without refund of program fees.

Thank you for helping keep Camp Orkila a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone!

# **CAMP STAFF**

Camp Orkila staff are CPR and First Aid certified and equipped with basic first aid supplies. They will assist with minor medical problems (bug bites, minor cuts, etc.). Participants are responsible for any emergency transportation.

For your safety, activity areas such as the waterfront, archery range, climbing tower, and obstacle course are open only when supervised by Camp staff. Additionally, firearms, knives, weapons of any kind, and fireworks are prohibited on Camp property.

### **PETS**

Only professional, assistive pets are allowed at Family Camp. Please let us know if such a pet will accompany you.

#### **CABIN UPKEEP**

Participants are responsible for tidying their cabins and other areas before departing. Staff will clean and disinfect cabins between all guests. Any additional cleaning required, damage or graffiti, will result in additional fees.

#### **VEHICLES**

Participants may not drive beyond the Camp parking lots unless pre-arranged. Vehicles should remain on roadways, proceed slowly, and not block emergency access.

# **PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Camp Orkila is not responsible for personal property, personal sports equipment, or vehicles.

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

Live plants, animals and sea life are an important part of the Camp environment and should not be collected or damaged in any way.

#### **CAMP RULE ENFORCEMENT**

Camp Orkila staff have the authority to enforce all Camp rules. Participants refusing to follow Camp rules will be asked to leave without refund of program fees.

#### **INSURANCE**

It is the participant's responsibility to provide his or her own accident and health insurance. The YMCA does not provide any such coverage for participants.

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# **CONTACT US!**

# YMCA CAMPING & OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP OFFICE

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#### YMCA CAMP ORKILA

484 Camp Orkila Road Eastsound, WA 98245 360.376.2678

#### **EMERGENCY CELL PHONE**

360 317 6852

For emergencies only, please! This phone is carried by the Director-on-Duty. If you do not get an answer, please leave a detailed message with your name and number. The Director-on-Duty will get back to you as soon as possible.

#### **WA STATE FERRIES**

1 800 84 FERRY

# **DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO CAMP**

- Take I-5 North to Exit 230, which is North of Mt. Vernon. The exit will say Burlington, Anacortes, San Juan Ferry.
- Turn left at the end of the exit onto Highway 20.
- Drive west about 20 miles to Anacortes.
- Follow the signs in Anacortes to the San Juan Ferry.
- When you purchase your ticket at the ferry landing, indicate your destination as Orcas Island. The Anacortes ferry landing is about 90 minutes from Seattle. The ferry ride from Anacortes to Orcas is about 45-80 minutes, depending on the number of stops at other islands.
- When you arrive at Orcas and depart the ferry, turn left and stay on the main road (Horseshoe Highway), following the signs to Eastsound for about 10 miles. The road takes a few 90-degree turns along the way — do not be alarmed.
- At Eastsound, the road you are following becomes Lover's Lane. Stay straight on Lover's Lane, going toward the airport. Do NOT turn right into town. (If you come to a stop sign, you have gone the wrong way.)
- Just before the airport, the road curves to the right. Do not curve to the right!
   Instead, turn left onto Mt. Baker Road.
- Proceed up the hill about 1 mile.
- Camp Orkila will be on the left, at the end of Mt. Baker Road.
- Drive into camp and follow the signs to the parking lot.
- Welcome!

\*\*IT IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED THAT YOU MAKE A RESERVATION IF YOU PLAN TO DRIVE ONTO THE FERRY. PLEASE CHECK SAILING SCHEDULES BEFORE TRAVELING, AS REDUCED SCHEDULES ARE IN EFFECT.

**Everyone is welcome.** The **YMCA of Greater Seattle** strengthens communities in King and south Snohomish counties through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. **Financial assistance is available.**