



RAINBOW CONNECTION



MY KAMAJI MEMORIES

Abby Schottenstein, Summer 2022

Empowerment can be shown in many different ways. There's self empowerment: where you believe in yourself and be confident in the decisions you make and your ability to execute those decisions. I see a lot of this at Kamaji. Empowering yourself can look like setting your own goals, taking action, and showing kindness to yourself. Or setting a goal to pass a level in an activity and not getting discouraged when you fail. I love seeing in archery when a camper is so determined to pass to the next yard line it encourages the other campers in that activity to do the same.

Even more than self empowerment, I often see campers empowering the people around them at Kamaji. I think it's one of the many important values they learn here. Like when Oakley Theison passed her swim test after non stop work and determination everyday. Or when the girls in dance class cheer for the Kami x's as they perform. I know I was blown away at the amount of support and empowerment shown to me during my first year of camp. The first day I got to camp I was so nervous, coming in a little late for my age group, but was shocked by the overwhelming sense of support here and I knew that this would be a place that would further empower me to be who I am and who I wanted to be. Kamaji fosters a sense of empowerment for all people. At Kamaji, counselors and campers come from all over, some meeting for the very first time, and join together to empower others no matter what age they are or what they're background is. Whether it be in an activity, evening program, or in tribes, seeing campers and counselors empower each other is one of my favorite parts about camp. When you're in this safe space and you feel empowered you can transfer that from camp and use it at home to make change and spread the sense of empowerment that kamaji inspires.

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2023 DATES!

Full Eight Week Season

Thursday, June 15th- Tuesday, August 8th

First Four Week Session

Thursday, June 15th- Tuesday, July 11th

Second Four Week Session

Thursday, July 13th- Tuesday, August 8th

- ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
- *Did you know??* ●
- Think you might ●
- want to do the full 8 ●
- weeks but not 100% ●
- sure? You can come ●
- for first session and ●
- decide once you're ●
- at camp! ●
- ● ● ● ● ● ● ●



Would you mind helping us out? Kamaji is a true mom and pop business and with that, **your reviews are so incredibly important to us!** Leave a review on Yelp or our Google Business Profile; we'd be so grateful!



LOOKING FOR SOME NEW KAMAJI SWAG?

We have lots of fun new things on the Kamaji website, including your fave Nalgene bottles **WITH THE KAMAJI LOGO!!**

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CAMP FOR ALL KIDS

There is still time to make a donation to Camp for All Kids, Kamaji's partner in providing camperships (camp scholarships) that enable Black and Brown youth from historically under-resourced communities to experience overnight summer camp!

Remember to sign my daughter up for 8 weeks at Kamaji!



CAMPER ENROLLMENT



THE FOLLOWING CAMPERS HAVE ENROLLED FOR SUMMER 2023 AT CAMP KAMAJI!

FIRST SESSION

NAME	GRADE	HOMETOWN
Sophie Alanis	9th	North Chicago, IL
Annie Alcorn	8th	Washington, DC
Elise Amsbaugh	9th	West Chester, PA
Isobel Anderson	3rd	Glencoe, IL
Talya Ashuri	6th	Round Lake, IL
Jemila Bangura	6th	Gales Ferry, CT
Salmata Bangura	8th	Gales Ferry, CT
Avery Bargfeldt	3rd	St. Louis, MO
Reese Barnett	8th	Glencoe, IL
Aria Basford	5th	Magnolia, TX
Emery Beffa	3rd	Brookfield, IL
Celeste Belmonti	2nd	Chicago, IL
Cait Brown	5th	Englewood, CO
Lizzie Carlson	8th	Minneapolis, MN
Reilly Carter	7th	Layton, UT
Scout Chomas	9th	Denver, CO
Adelee Cronk-Gebbia	4th	El Cajon, CA
Mira Dale	8th	Glencoe, IL
Izzy Fernandes	8th	Naperville, IL
Audrey Fox	8th	Tulsa, OK
Alex Ghassan	5th	Cooper City, FL
Lucy Ghassan	5th	Cooper City, FL
Alicia Gibson	7th	Memphis, TN
Chandler Goodman	4th	Deerfield, IL
Kaleesi Greene	3rd	Minnetrista, MN
Lilly Greene	1st	Minnetrista, MN
Maddie Hernandez	5th	Northbrook, IL
Noa Jacoby	4th	Chicago, IL
Hope Jernagan	6th	Saint Louis, MO
Maude Jernagan	4th	Saint Louis, MO
Priscilla Kamara	7th	Middletown, DE
Eleni Kwatra	8th	Scottsdale, AZ
Akari Lema	5th	Tokyo, JAPAN
Tolula Mastio	3rd	Wichita, KS
Lauren McIntire	7th	Newbury Park, CA
Margot Mcpherson	6th	Denver, CO
El Pearl	8th	Encinitas, CA
Emma Rivers	4th	Springfield, VA
Katherine Rogula	9th	Glenview, IL

FIRST SESSION

NAME	GRADE	HOMETOWN
Katelyn Rosen	8th	Highland Park, IL
Jo Rouspil	4th	Des Moines, IA
Julia Showalter	4th	Tulsa, OK
Sara Steinberg	7th	Evanston, IL
Piper Vasey	4th	Chicago, IL
Brooke Willhite	5th	Albuquerque, NM
Lorelei Worley	4th	Chicago, IL

SECOND SESSION

NAME	GRADE	HOMETOWN
Kailee Adler	8th	Erie, CO
Aby Anderson	6th	Lake Forest, IL
Clio Bandle	7th	Winterthur
Iris Barringer-Mills	9th	Ixelles
Eliana Brown	5th	Shaker Heights, OH
Zoey Caine	6th	St. Louis, MO
Charlotte Carmel	8th	Glencoe, IL
Cate Cassidu	8th	Evanston, IL
Elle Cassidy	5th	Evanston, IL
Sofia Chevaile Canseco	4th	San Luis Potosi, MEXICO
Sylvia Coulter Bistrong	4th	Corvallis, OR
Eva Cytron	8th	Deerfield, IL
Orli Cytron	6th	Deerfield, IL
Rose DeWein	4th	Rolling Hills Estates, CA
Zoe DeWein	5th	Rolling Hills Estates, CA
Haley Diamond	8th	Highland Park, IL
Dylan Ditto	3rd	Chicago, IL
Blake Eldridge	3rd	Highland Park, IL
Dylan Eldridge	7th	Highland Park, IL
Esme Erntson	8th	St Michael, MN
Adalay Evans	5th	Kansas City, MO
Lia Fleischer	5th	Washington, DC
Kinley Garfield	6th	New York, NY
Orly Garfield	2nd	New York, NY
Lily Genser	3rd	Highland Park, IL
Sydney Genser	6th	Highland Park, IL
Eloise Gimbel	6th	Oakland, CA
GretaGimbel	4th	Oakland, CA

CAMPER ENROLLMENT

SECOND SESSION

NAME	GRADE	HOMETOWN	NAME	GRADE	HOMETOWN
Zoe Goshko	8th	Ottawa, Ontario, CANADA	Juliette Sagett	8th	Highland Park, IL
Ava Graham	8th	Glencoe, IL	Serenity Sanchez	4th	Deerfield, IL
Ana Gutierrez Garza	5th	San Pedro Garza Garcia, MEXICO	Mae Severn	4th	Washington, DC
Ruby Hall	5th	Palos Verdes Estates, CA	Sadie Storino	5th	Wilmette, IL
Mikah Haywood	8th	St. Louis, MO	Sophia Storino	6th	Wilmette, IL
Madeline Hazan	7th	Glencoe, IL	Ivy Swartz	5th	Chicago, IL
Mollie Hirsh	5th	Glencoe, IL	Anastasia Taylor	7th	Menifee, CA
Allegra Hurtgen	5th	Wilmette, IL	Oakley Thiesen	6th	Brainerd, MN
Eve Jackson	5th	Kansas City, MO	Mirabelle Threadgold	8th	Brooklyn, NY
Millie Jackson	5th	Kansas City, MO	Juliet Trueger	4th	Chicago, IL
Audrey Kaplan	6th	Mokena, IL	Rose Vaglio	4th	Leawood, KS
Betsy Kesselman	5th	Northbrook, IL	Zoey Vaglio	6th	Leawood, KS
Amelia Kettenring	9th	Stamping Ground, KY	Opal Vandelloo	6th	Oakland, CA
Eliza Kettenring	8th	Stamping Ground, KY	Ava Verdun	5th	Chevy Chase, MD
Sam Kritzik	8th	Greenwood Village, CO	Lillian Wall	5th	Oklahoma City, OK
Molly Latimer	8th	Glencoe, IL	Maya Warner	8th	Chicago, IL
Roberta Lecea	5th	San Pedro Garza Garcia, MEXICO	Reese Warticovschi	5th	St. Louis, MO
Fabiana Lecea Garza	7th	San Pedro Garza Garcia, MEXICO	Zoe Warticovschi	8th	St. Louis, MO
Kassidy Leonard	7th	St. Louis, MO	Charlie Weisbart	8th	Highland Park, IL
Willa Limbert	4th	Berkeley, CA	Nora Williams	5th	Ann Arbor, MI
Flo Lloyd	5th	Washington, DC	Claire Windom	5th	Washington, DC
Evelyn Mason	4th	Deerfield, IL	Colleen Windom	4th	Washington, DC
Laia McClain	8th	Hoffman Estates, IL	Willa Wojcik	7th	Sandpoint, ID
Landyn McClain	8th	Hoffman Estates, IL	Mae Yawitz	5th	St. Louis, MO
Summer McCormack	4th	Westminster, CO	Alexa Young	5th	Deerfield, IL
Evie McWilliams	5th	Ann Arbor, MI			
Lucia Mijangos Guzzardo	6th	Mexico City, MEXICO			
Willa Nash	5th	Chicago, IL			
Mabry Overholt	6th	Manhattan Beach, CA			
Ceci Pekow	6th	Chicago, IL			
Katrina Powell	6th	Kansas City, MO			
Kai Richards	2nd	St. Louis, MO			
Kennedy Richards	5th	St. Louis, MO			
Rosie Rissman	6th	Berkeley, CA			
Scarlett Rissman	3rd	Highland Park, IL			
Violet Rissman	4th	Berkeley, CA			
Alexa Romero	4th	San Luis Potos, MEXICO			
Andrea Romero	4th	San Luis Potos, MEXICO			
Lucy Rosemeyer	6th	Highland Park, IL			
Ella Rubenstein	6th	Glencoe, IL			
Eva Saddleton	5th	River Forest, IL			
Rowan Safer	9th	Greenwood Village, CO			
Emma Sagett	6th	Highland Park, IL			

8 week campers!!

Vivian Alderman	9th	Tulsa, OK
Fiona Belmonti	6th	Chicago, IL
Yamaris Cabrera	7th	North Chicago, IL
Jane Geeting	9th	Kirkwood, MO
Alice Grant	4th	San Clemente, CA
Margot Kesselman	9th	Northbrook, IL
Lilah Pearl	6th	Encinitas, CA
Ethan Polonsky	9th	Deerfield, IL
Amelia Rabb	3rd	Rockford, MI
Hannah Rabb	1st	Rockford, MI
Kendall Richards	5th	St. Louis, MO
Nora Rubin	9th	Wilmette, IL
Adelaide Stern	8th	Minneapolis, MN
Lucy Vogel	9th	Chicago, IL



2023 STAFF

Are you ready to commit to summer '23 but don't see your name listed? Email bri@kamaji.com to join our INCREDIBLE summer staff team!

NAME	POSITION	HOMETOWN	SUMMERS
Paola Altamirano Mendez	Cabin Counselor, Swimming	Mexico	11
Naomi Amacher	Cabin Counselor, Fishing & JC Mentor	Chicago, IL	10
Luz Andrea	Housekeeping Assistant	Mexico	1
Tamara Barran	Cabin Counselor, Climbing	Mexico	1
Samay Betancourt Nieto	Day Camp Counselor	Mexico	1
Sophie Bogucki	Cabin Counselor, Dance/Fitness	Johns Island, SC	10
Fernando Bravo Feria	Maintenance Assistant	Mexico	1
Katia Cacho Silva	Kitchen Assistant	Mexico	1
Abigail Campeche	Cabin Counselor, Swimming	Mexico	1
Lauren Cliffe	Cabin Counselor, Fitness	United Kingdom	1
Luna Domiciano	Cabin Counselor, Climbing	Brazil	1
Vicki Flegg	Cabin Counselor, Riding	United Kingdom	1
Marie Flores Velasco	Assistant Cook	Mexico	1
Wanda Gamboa Noriega	Special Programs Coordinator	Mexico	1
Luciana Garcia Zala	Day Camp Counselor	Mexico	1
Katie Gelfman	Cabin Counselor, Waterskiing	St. Louis, MO	7
Oliwia Glowacka	Cabin Counselor, Sailing	Poland	1
Julie Grant	Health Care Director	San Clemente, CA	9
Niche' Grice	Cabin Counselor, Art	Florissant, MO	4
Uriel Hernandez	Kitchen Assistant	Mexico	1
Molly Hickey	Cabin Counselor, Art	Ireland	1
Julia Jasmer	Cabin Counselor, Windsurfing/Paddleboarding	Chicago, IL	9
Shannon Kettenring	Program Director	Stamping Ground, KY	12
Venla Laukkanen	Cabin Counselor, Riding	Finland	1
Renata Lecona Galindo	Cabin Counselor, Swimming	Mexico	1
Margarita Lima Osorio	Housekeeping Assistant	Mexico	1
Kennya Limon Borilla	Day Camp Counselor	Mexico	1
Sandra Lopez DeVil	Kitchen Assistan	Mexico	1
Annika Lowland	Cabin Counselor, Sailing	Prairie Village, KS	2
Laney Maguire	Staff Coach and Development Director	Norman, OK	5
Lexi 'Links' Markham	Cabin Counselor, Waterskiing	Canton, GA	10
Dulce Marquez Martinez	Laundry Assistant	Mexico	1
Shauna McCusker	Cabin Counselor, Art	United Kingdom	1
Daniel Mendoza Tejada	Assistant Cook	Mexico	1
Sarah Miller	Cabin Counselor, Tennis	New Orleans, LA	1
Linzi Moran	Office Assistant	England	1
Yaremi Perez	Wilderness Trip Leader	Mexico	1
Ofelia Quiroga Sanchez	Laundry Assistant	Mexico	1
Jen Rabb	Kitchen Manager	Rockford, MI	1
Ana Ramirez Narvaz	Assistant Cook	Mexico	1
Salvador Reynoso Flores	Day Camp Counselor	Mexico	1
Maddie Roach	Cabin Counselor, Art	Randolph, WI	1
Dani Rodriguez	Cabin Counselor, Dance/Fitness	Mexico	1
Annie Rogula	Cabin Counselor, Riding	Glenview, IL	8
Dana Sanger	Cabin Counselor, Dance/Fitness	United Kingdom	1
Isabella Scherm	Cabin Counselor, Fishing	Nichols Hills, OK	1
Fatima Sosa Velasco	Cabin Counselor, Tennis	Mexico	1
Karla Tapia Zarate	Assistant Cook	Mexico	1
Sophie Teshome	Cabin Counselor, Tennis	United Kingdom	1
Lexi Thompson	Cabin Counselor, Archery	Oklahoma City, OK	3
Luis Trujillo Zapotitla	Maintenance Assistant	Mexico	1
Isobel Turner	Cabin Counselor, Riding	United Kingdom	1
Roxana Vicario Cruz	Assistant Cook	Mexico	1
Karla Vidal Rodriguez	Kitchen Assistant	Playa del Carmen, Mexico	3
Rachael Walton	Cabin Counselor, Swimming	United Kingdom	1

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2023 LTS

Name	Hometown	Summers
Yahaira 'YaYa' Cabrera	North Chicago, IL	6
Lucy Carmel	Glencoe, IL	6
Jessie Eldridge	Highland Park, IL	7
Natalie Grice	Florissant, MO	6
Greta Grossman	Leawood, KS	5
Sam Irvin	Kirkwood, MO	6
Olivia Latimer	Glencoe, IL	7
Nelson Rice	St. Louis Park, MN	5



Join our Leadership Training Program!

We have open spots in our 4 & 8 week leadership training program! Get a behind the scenes look at how the magic of camp comes to life, gain leadership and life skills, and make memories that will last a lifetime with your best pals! Email kat@kamaji.com for more info!



HAPPY Valentine's DAY

Want to show some love to your people this Valentine's Day?

Make a heart shaped meal!
(pizza? pancakes?
sandwiches?)

Everyone loves
homemade
cookies!

Write 14 days of
thoughtful "things I love
about you" notes.

Send your Kamaji pal
a note! You can find
their address in
CampinTouch.

Craft a handmade
card!

Plan a sweet
little tea party...
pinkies up!

Pack a picnic
(no matter the
weather!)

Can you say...dance
party?!?!?



Book Recommendations

WHEN STARS ARE SCATTERED

Victoria Jamieson



BROWN GIRL DREAMING

Jacqueline Woodson



TIGHT

Torrey Maldonado

REUNIONS

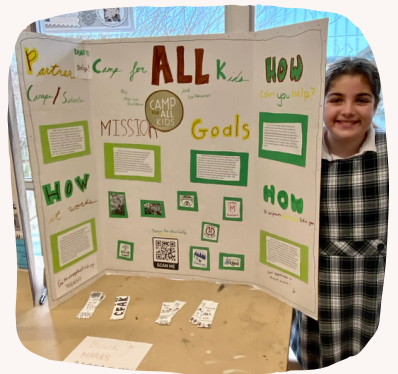
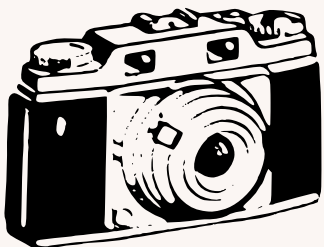
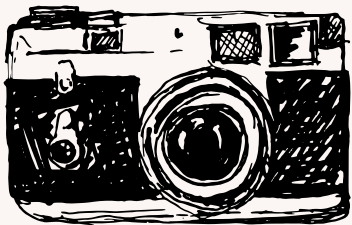
We had the BEST time reuniting with current, future and former campers in St. Louis, MO. HUGE thanks to Hope, Maude and the whole Jernagan Family for hosting our crew for dinner, cookies and a show!



Kat would LOVE to reunite with other Kamaji campers across the country!! Please email kat@kamaji.com if you are interested in hosting Kamaji folks together (both current and potentially new campers!) in your hometown!



KAMAJI KAPTURED





LAKE SUPERIOR CLIMBING TRIP

Summer 2023

OPEN TO ALL CAMPERS!



A new adventure!

Campers will be climbing at various locations along Lake Superior's North Shore. Climbing instruction will be overseen by instructors from the University of Minnesota – Duluth.



Trip Details

This trip will be offered First & Second session. Both trips will be 2 nights, 3 days.



You've got mail

Please check your email for detailed information sent on Friday, 12/9.



QUESTIONS?
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The Lake Superior Climbing Trip is available to both 1st and 2nd session campers. Register on CampInTouch today!



THE CANADIAN *Summer 2023*

PINE MANOR CAMPERS



Camp, canoe, & portage!

Campers travel to the White Otter Wilderness Area, north of Atikokan, Ontario for a 6 night, 7 day trip. The girls will be canoeing on lakes and carrying their canoes and packs between lakes on difficult trails. They will also see beautiful scenery, experience a true wilderness, work harder than they have ever worked on a canoe trip while bringing back memories that will last a lifetime.



Tradition

The Canadian is Camp Kamaji's capstone trip exclusively offered to our Pine Manor campers.



You've got mail

Please check your email for detailed information sent on Thursday, 12/8.



ALUMNI NOTE

"The Canadian was some of the best and most challenging days of camp. Yes, I admit there is a lot of paddling, but trust me it is worth it. I know everyone says this, but the bonds and memories you make on this trip will last a lifetime!"

Ella Kaplan, Canadian Alumni 2019
Camper '14-'19, Staff '22



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FIRST SESSION

FIREWORKS

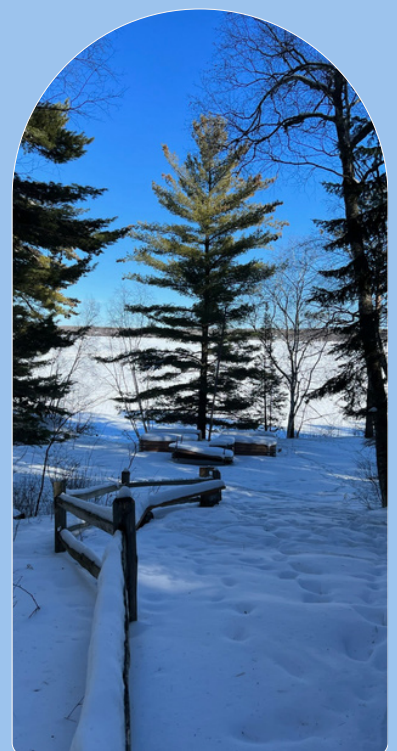
AND GLOW PARTY

Submit your
first session
enrollment today!



RANDY'S RAMBLINGS

I am so happy that winter is half over! Kamaji and much of the United States just got over a bitterly cold snap that makes me appreciate the warm weather of summer even more. I can't wait for it to arrive! Actually, spring temps are just around the corner and that will let me finish my building projects that I started back when weather was much nicer. Projects include a couple updates to staff housing and other building improvements. I can't wait to get back at it! My new eight month old Irish Setter "Ollie" has been learning a lot of things about his job at camp. He has been doing a very good job of warning me of any visiting animals and humans that like to wander in to say "hello!" The last few months it's been a lot more animals than humans. I can't wait for you all to come back and fill the woods with more humans than animals. Well that's enough ramblings from me!



JASON GETS PUNNY

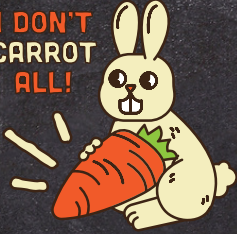
Be sure to



because you are



I DON'T
CARROT
ALL!



what you think of these jokes because

I really



, don't you think?

Things We Can't Forget



1st SESSION:

Chocolate game... color run... nut 1 beat... bird impression... first morning... sponge wars... da juice song... frog streak... together again... odds are... hobie beat... Adventure Day sleep-in.

2nd SESSION:

Nighttime songs... meatballs... little coconut... camper variety show... puppet show... funny bunny... avocado smash... concerts... picnics... birthday eve... sink the canoe... cup song... black socks.



Kamaji's February & March Babies

Thay Almeida - February 4
Cait Brown - February 6
Willa Limbert - February 6
Akari Lema - February 9
Ivy Swartz - February 11
Lia Wilson - February 11
Miranda Gomez Urquijo - February 13
Itzel Armenta Medina - February 15
Betsy Kesselman - February 15
Molly Hickey - February 16
Avery Bargfeldt - February 18
Katrina Powell - February 21
Jo Rouspil - February 22
Mae Yawitz - February 22
Mabry Overholt - February 24
Sam Irvin - February 24
Staci Hill - February 25
Dylan Eldridge - February 26
Sadie Storino - February 28
Sophie Alanis - February 28
Madeline Hazan - March 1
Amelia Rabb - March 4
Lizzie Carlson - March 9
Fiona Belmonti - March 11
Caleb Nelson - March 11
Flo Lloyd - March 14
Luz Garcia Lozada - March 16
Nora Williams - March 16
Sylvia Coulter Bistrong - March 17
Ethan Polonsky - March 18
Laura Martinez Sandoval - March 19
Sandra Lopez Davila - March 20
Reese Barnett - March 24
Weslee Innes - March 25
Izzy Caputo - March 28
Kai Richards - March 30
Annie Alcorn - March 31
Mae Severn - March 31

Happy
birthday



Spread the birthday love! Find addresses for your friends in CampInTouch and send them a card, a handmade bracelet, or a sweet note to wish them a happy birthday!