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## SUMMER CAMPS 2016

CREATIVE ARTS/THEATRE/MUSIC

Academy of Language and Music Arts/ ALMA  
(Orinda)

Private lessons in all instruments, including guitar, piano, drums, band instruments, strings and voice. Also private lessons in languages, including Italian, French, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese and ESL. Special summer group classes and performing ensembles, including rock combo, jazz combo, vocal ensemble, drum circle, theatre and acting skills. All ages and levels are welcome; located at 99 Brookwood Rd., Orinda. Dr. James Fiatarone, Director. In Orinda since 1994.

Dates: various dates and times available (please contact office for information and/or to enroll)

Phone: (925) 254-5056; (925) 254-5053

Website: [www.alma-leap.com](http://www.alma-leap.com)

Fun music lessons!  
(Lafayette)

The Lamorinda School of Musical Arts is offering a summer program of individual lessons (piano or voice) for students ages 3 and up. A Grammy Award winner, director Xiomara Di Maio is well known in the Lamorinda area for her creative approach and joyful way of teaching children. She also teaches at Stanley Middle School, and is the Preparatory Chorus Director at the San Francisco Boys Chorus. Dates: schedule based on your availability.

Email: [xiomydma@gmail.com](mailto:xiomydma@gmail.com)

Phone: (925) 878-5159

Sewnow! Fashion Design  
(Lafayette)

Learn fashion design and sewing at Sewnow fashion studio. It offers a variety of one-week half-day and full-day camps for juniors (second and third grade), kids, and teens. Have a blast, learn to design, sew, and illustrate like a pro and walk away with unique personalized fashion items. Camps include fashionkit patterns and digital instructions, fabrics, notions, custom embroidery, and participation in our end of summer fashion show.

Dates: June-August

Website: [www.sewnow.com](http://www.sewnow.com)

Phone: (925) 283-7396

Journey to the Art of Summer Art Room Summer Day Camp  
(Lafayette)

Students enjoy the creative process while learning art skills in a nurturing environment. The Journey to the Art of Summer is a journey toward individual expression, improved craftsmanship, and an overall love of art. Campers get to experience a variety of artistic media, including sculpture, drawing, painting, and more! Dates: one-week half day or whole day sessions June 13 – Aug. 19, with an extra "Lil' Minions Camp" session for ages 4-6 from Aug. 22-26

Website: [www.theart-room.com](http://www.theart-room.com)

Phone: (925) 299-1515

### The Crucible Youth Summer Camps (Oakland)

Hands-on creative fun making art, while learning real-world skills! Kids participate in any of 15 exciting departments including ceramics, enameling, glass blowing, hot wheels, jewelry, neon, kinetics, textiles, welding, woodworking and others. Morning and afternoon sessions available.

Dates: six 1-week sessions, June 20 – Aug. 5

Website: [www.theCrucible.org](http://www.theCrucible.org)

Phone: (510) 444-0919

### Town Hall Education Summer Camps and Classes (Lafayette)

The award-winning Town Hall Theatre educational programs return this summer featuring skills-based and performance-based theatre classes for preschool to high school-aged students. Great for young performers as well as students who wish to expand their public speaking, social, and team-working skills.

Dates: June-Aug.

Website: [www.TownHallTheatre.com](http://www.TownHallTheatre.com)

## ACADEMIC/LANGUAGE/SCIENCE

### Amazing Math Classes (Moraga)

Weeklong sessions taught by experienced, funny teachers through the Moraga Parks and Recreation Department. Sessions include elementary school math and science, sports and statistics, algebra I, high school geometry, and algebra II. Contact head teacher Michael Adler or Moraga Parks and Rec Department. Individual or small group tutoring also available.

Email: [m.adler@sbcglobal.net](mailto:m.adler@sbcglobal.net)

Website: [www.moraga.ca.us](http://www.moraga.ca.us)

Phone: (925) 888-7036

### FIRECRACKER MATH Summer Camp (Lafayette, Oakland, Berkeley)

Extra-curricular math for curious and challenge-loving kids from 6 to 16. Topics are selected from Number Theory, Geometry, Combinatorics, Graphs, Logic, and more. Instructions employ math games, magic tricks, and paradoxes to spark kids' interest and boost their skills and confidence in math.

Small groups. Full day option is available.

Email: [hello@firecrackerforum.org](mailto:hello@firecrackerforum.org)

Website: [www.firecrackermath.org/mathcamps/](http://www.firecrackermath.org/mathcamps/)

Phone: (510) 488-4556

Lorie Tutors Writing Camp  
(Moraga)

This week-long camp for incoming first-third graders with Mrs. Lorie (a Rheem Kindergarten teacher), will help foster a love of writing. Focusing on fun and engaging lessons and activities, campers will learn engaging strategies to write narrative, information, and opinion pieces. Maximum of 12 students.

Dates: June 13 - 17

Website: [www.lorietutors.squarespace.com](http://www.lorietutors.squarespace.com)

Orinda Academy  
(Orinda)

Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, English, ESL, Mandarin, Blending/Online Courses. Personalized instruction with 9:1 student-to-teacher ratio. Orinda Academy classes meet state requirements for credit and are UC-approved.

Dates: June 20 - August 5 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mon. - Fri.)

Website: [www.orindaacademy.org](http://www.orindaacademy.org)

Phone: (925) 254-7553

Saklan School  
(Moraga)

Summer @ Saklan provides culture, language and summer fun for ages 3-11. Mornings on campus are filled with enrichment in Mandarin, French, Japanese, Spanish and Italian. Afternoons are packed with summer fun, including field trips, swimming, art & music. Three-week sessions 8:30 – 4:30. Full or half days, with extended care available. Mini Campers, ages 3-5 & Explorers, ages 6-11.

Dates: Jun. 13 – Aug. 12

Website: [www.saklan.org](http://www.saklan.org)

Phone: (925) 376-7900

Spanish Immersion Summer Camps with Viva el Español (Lafayette)

Learn or improve Spanish language skills through games, music, arts & crafts, and cooking! During each week-long camp students learn vocabulary related to a specific kid-friendly theme such as Los Deportes (Sports) or Central American Adventure. Half Day 9am-noon, Full Day 9am-3pm.

Website: [www.vivaelespanol.org](http://www.vivaelespanol.org)

Phone: (925) 962-9177

Summer Bridge Math  
(Moraga)

This program, intended to be both fun and educational, is designed to reinforce previous math concepts, while introducing future ones. Manipulatives and interactive problem solving will be a part of each session. Groups will consist of no more than nine students and will meet four times over the summer. Mr. Lorie, a JM math teacher, will lead the sessions.

Dates: various dates and times

Website: [www.lorietutors.squarespace.com](http://www.lorietutors.squarespace.com)

## The Writing Studio - Camp Young Writers (Lafayette)

Summer camps at The Writing Studio provide both writing instruction and one-on-one sessions for grades 3-12. Writers step into a world of storytelling and essay-based expository writing, developing strong writing skills in the process.

Dates: June 13 - July 1 and July 5 - August 5

Website: [www.lafayettewritingstudio.com](http://www.lafayettewritingstudio.com)

Phone: (925) 385-0211

## SPORTS

### Artemis Rowing (Oakland)

Artemis Rowing is a competitive rowing program based at Oakland's Jack London Aquatic Center. Throughout summer, Artemis is offering fun Learn to Row camps for students in grades 6-12. Enroll in two or more and be ready for our middle/high school teams in fall! Ideal for grades 8-10.

Website: [www.ArtemisRowingClub.org](http://www.ArtemisRowingClub.org)

Phone: (510) 542-9673

### Cougar Youth Football Camp (Moraga)

The Cougar Youth Football Camp directed by Head Coach Kevin Macy for grades 4-8 is held at Campolindo High School. All equipment is supplied; T-shirt is included. Registration forms can be found at [campofootball.net](http://campofootball.net).

Dates: July 11-22 (Monday – Friday, 1:30 to 5 p.m.)

Website: [www.campofootball.net](http://www.campofootball.net)

### Orinda Tennis Academy Summer Camps (Orinda)

Elevate your game and take it to the next level while enjoying cooler temperatures in Orinda! For participants of all ages and abilities. Enjoy making new friends, having fun, working hard and developing tennis skills. Camps located at the Orinda Park, 28 Orinda Way, next to the Library.

Dates: All Summer

Hot Shots Tennis Camps (Ages 4-8)

Jr. Tennis Camps (Ages 9-15)

Directed by Drew Diefenbach, USPTA Certified Elite Coach

E-mail: [tenniscoachdrew@gmail.com](mailto:tenniscoachdrew@gmail.com)

Enroll on-line: [www.OrindaTennis.com](http://www.OrindaTennis.com)

### Miramonte Swim Club (MSC) (Orinda)

2016 Swim Team, Spring Stroke Clinics, and Junior Gator Learn-to-Swim program open for registration. Website: [www.mscgators.com](http://www.mscgators.com)

Phone: (925) 247-8110

Oakland Strokes  
(San Pablo Reservoir or Oakland Estuary)

The Oakland Strokes summer program is a half-day summer camp open to any child sixth through 12th grade. The program is a "learn to row" program, focused on taking kids from never rowing, to being proficient, and teaching the basics and includes conditioning.

Dates: Various one-week sessions starting June 13.

Email: [oaklandstrokes@gmail.com](mailto:oaklandstrokes@gmail.com)

Website: [www.oaklandstrokes.org](http://www.oaklandstrokes.org)

Roughing It - Little Explorers Camp  
(Lafayette Reservoir)

One week, half day program for 3- and 4-year-olds. Little Explorers runs from 9-12.30 p.m. during the week of August 15-19. Campers enjoy nature activities, crafts, sports, fishing, outdoor cooking, hiking and traditional camp games and songs. It offers a great introduction to the wonderful world of summer camps and is perfect for families looking to have their young camper experience summer camp in the great outdoors.

Dates: August 15 -19

Email: [camp@roughingit.com](mailto:camp@roughingit.com)

Website: [www.roughingit.com/le](http://www.roughingit.com/le)

Phone: (925) 283-3795

Sienna Ranch  
(Lafayette)

Enjoy Lamorinda's own ranch camp experience. Camp choices include morning Farm Hands, Nature and Horseback Riding camps as well as afternoon Pottery, Woodshop, Archery, Art and Animals, Fun with Horses and more. Serving campers entering grades PreK-8 with select teen programming too, Sienna Ranch offers weeklong, full-day or half-day camp options. All adult, professional staff and an amazing, convenient location.

Dates: various dates and times available

Website: [www.siennaranch.net](http://www.siennaranch.net)

Phone: (925) 283-6311

SMC Athletic Camps  
(Moraga)

SMC offers 40-plus sports camps on one of the most picturesque campuses on the West Coast. Saint Mary's offers boys and girls overnight, day, team, and specialty camps for ages 4-18. Summer 2016 offers all sports, baseball, basketball, running, soccer, softball, tennis and volleyball camps.

Dates: various dates and times available

[smccamps@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:smccamps@stmarys-ca.edu)

[www.smccathleticcamps.com](http://www.smccathleticcamps.com)

Phone: (925) 631-4FUN (4386)

Summer Tennis Camp – St. Mary's College  
(Moraga)

Camps will address technical, tactical, and fitness aspect of the game through personal instruction and specifically designed age/level appropriate drills, as well as competitive aspect through match play and fun games. Full day or half day sessions are available.

Dates: 1 week sessions June 13 - August 12

Website: [www.smctenniscamps.com](http://www.smctenniscamps.com)

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church  
(Moraga)

Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church's "Racing in Rio" Vacation Bible School, an Olympic adventure with God! For children who are 4 years old (by June 20) to those entering fifth grade in the fall.

Dates: June 20-24; 9 a.m. to noon

Cost: \$70 per child

Website and Registration: [www.mvpctoday.org](http://www.mvpctoday.org)

Phone: (925) 376-4800

Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church  
(Lafayette)

Cave Quest: Following Jesus, the Light of the World

Gear up for an adventure! At Vacation Bible Camp this year, we will ground kids in the rock-solid foundation of God's love through songs, stories, games, experiments, and more. Camp is where kids experience the love of Jesus that will take them through life's dark times while sharing that love with others in a safe and fun environment. For 4-year-olds through completed fourth graders.

Dates: June 13-17, afternoon

Cost: \$60/child (after May 1, \$75)

E-mail: [ryan@LOPC.org](mailto:ryan@LOPC.org)

Website: [www.LOPC.org](http://www.LOPC.org)

Phone: (925) 283-8722 x234

Willow Spring Church  
(Moraga)

Vacation Bible School is an exciting place for kids to come make new friends, have fun, and learn about the bible. Willow Spring Church employees and volunteers have planned out fun games, crafts, videos, songs, and healthy snacks! 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. for grades 1-6.

Dates: July 18 - 22

Website: [www.willow.springchurch.com](http://www.willow.springchurch.com)

Phone: (925) 376-3550

## VARIETY

City of Lafayette - Recreation Summer Camps  
(Lafayette)

Soccer, cheerleading, cooking, dance, Mad Science, Spanish, engineering, LEGOs, tennis, Critters-N-Clay, music, robotics, basketball, carpentry, gymnastics, golf, chess and more!

Dates: various dates and times available

Website: [www.LafayetteRec.org](http://www.LafayetteRec.org)

Phone: (925) 284-2232

City of Orinda Recreation Camps  
(Orinda)

Now offering three new afternoon camps; providing an all- day option when combined with the morning camps. Free extended care is offered in mornings and afternoons. Adventure Art Camp takes students around the globe learning about five famous cities. Adventure Games Camp is for children with boundless energy that love to play, each day features nonstop games. If the force runs strong in your child, sign them up for Jedi in Training Camp. "Adventure" camps cost \$180 for half day and \$330 for full day.

Website: [www.cityoforinda.org](http://www.cityoforinda.org)

Phone: (925) 254-2445

Moraga Parks and Recreation Summer Camps  
(Moraga)

Parks Make Life Better ... and so do summer camps! A variety of camps are offered through the Moraga Parks and Recreation Department: Little Medical School, Creator Camp, Sciensational, Techsplosion, Coding Camp, Bricks 4 Kidz, Kindercool, Skyhawks Sports, Math, Cooking with Kids, and more! Registration is currently open.

Dates: various dates and times available

Phone: (925) 888-7045

Website: [www.moragarec.com](http://www.moragarec.com)

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