

Camp Gan Shalom



Information about this summer's new drama program inside!

Where Judaism comes alive!

Summer 2012

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Summer camp is a unique experience that many children look forward to each summer and that parents look back on with many fond memories.

Camp Gan Shalom is a Jewish summer day camp for entering Kindergartners through entering 9th graders, offering our community's Jewish youth an opportunity to live Judaism, not just learn about it. This is done by offering a diverse and unique program, from Judaic influenced arts and crafts projects to sports, cooking, weekly field trips, swimming, and weekly Shabbat experiences.

Jewish summer camp is one of the most powerful ways to build Jewish identity and commitment in young people. When adults are asked what experiences helped shape their Jewish identity, attending a Jewish summer camp is often one of the top reasons.

By spending part of their summer at Camp Gan Shalom, you will be giving your child the opportunity to create memories and share in experiences that will remain with them for a lifetime!



Aimee Schwartz
Director

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Staff

Our camp staff is carefully selected based on their experience working with children, their specialized talents and their passion for camp. All staff go through an extensive training, including CPR and First Aid Certification as well as basic child development. Each member of the staff is dedicated to providing a safe and memorable camp experience for your child.



Kehilla (K-6th)



Program Overview

In Hebrew, Kehilla means community. This Camp Gan Shalom program, for entering Kindergartners – 6th graders, focuses on this important aspect. Through its activities, campers spend the summer having fun with other Jewish kids and helping them create their own community.

Camp is divided into one-week sessions. Campers are grouped by grade (K-1, 2-3, 4-6) so they have a chance to get to know campers their age and participate in age-appropriate camp activities.

Each camp day (except field trip days) is filled with games, crafts, water play or swimming, and much, much more.

"Camp Gan Shalom is the best camp ever!"

"Once again Gan Shalom has been a wonderful summer camp for our child."



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Field Trips

One of the many highlights for the campers during the summer are the field trips. Every Wednesday, the entire camp goes by bus on a field trip to some incredible and exciting place in the general Los Angeles area. The older campers in the Kehilla program go on an additional field trip every other week.

In addition to field trips, campers have the opportunity to shape and create their own camp experience by choosing a **heetmachoot** (specialty) and a rotating **chug** (activity) each week. Choices have included: Dance - Gaga - Cooking - Soccer



Kehilla (K-6th)



"This is the only camp my kids really love. They don't like any other camp but this one."



Fridays and Shabbat

Each week culminates with a special Friday all day activity. Often these are the experiences that stick with campers well beyond the end of summer. Some past programs have been: Maccabia Games, Oompa-Loompa Day, and Mud Pie Day.

Shabbat is a very special part of our camp week. Every Friday, campers make, braid, and even decorate their own challah. Additionally, campers and their families share a special Shabbat experience with music, stories, and sometimes camper performances to conclude each week of camp.

"Camp Gan Shalom is better than Disneyland, Sea World and Wild Animal Park all put together. I love Camp Gan Shalom and already can't wait for next year!"



Manheegim (7th-9th)

7th-
9th Grade Now a 3 week
Program!

We are excited to be able to offer this camp program for campers entering 7th-9th graders. In Hebrew, *Manheegim* means leaders. This program is designed for older campers to have a unique and exciting experience while developing as young leaders.



Weeks 1-3 June 18- July 13

Pasadena Jewish Temple & Center

- Register before 4/1 \$895
- Register before 5/15 \$920
- Register after 5/15 \$945

*no camp 7/4

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Manheegim (7th-9th)

Campers in the Manheegim program will have an experience unlike any other summer at Camp Gan Shalom.

Field Trips

Each day, campers will arrive at camp, meet as a group and then leave for a day full of fun and exciting experiences. Examples of possible trips include: indoor rock climbing, the beach, an overnight and much more.

Leadership

While the campers are having fun going on field trips, they will also be spending time taking part in leadership activities. They will develop their skills as young leaders through games, activities, and real leadership experience. They will even work closely with the staff of the Kehilla program to help develop and implement programming for our younger campers.



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Weeks 4-6 July 16-August 3

Temple Beth Israel, Pomona

- Register before 4/1 \$945
- Register before 5/15 \$970
- Register after 5/15 \$995



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Mischak (4th-7th)

Program Overview

The Hebrew word for acting is Mischak. Jewish theatre and acting evolved from an ancient practice of weekly chanting from the Torah in synagogues. Jewish theatre has since been present at weddings, holidays and further progressed into the everyday lives of contemporary society.

This new Camp Gan Shalom program is for 4th -7th graders interested in exploring the performing arts. It is a 4 week program designed for campers who wish to learn the basics of theatre production, using the rehearsal process of a semi-professional theatre culminating in the production of a play.

New Performing Arts Program!

Campers will be encouraged to assume responsibility, work together cooperatively and seek new information. They will examine the creative process and learn to embrace their own uniqueness. They will explore six aspects of producing a full length fully scripted play:

- The Senses
- Imagination
- Movement
- Pantomime
- Oral Expression
- The Play



Mischak (4th-7th)

**Schedule subject to change*



Week 1

- Intro to Theatre terms and stage directions
- Drama Games
- Reading the play
- Begin rehearsal

Week 2

- Assign responsibilities/ roles
- Drama Games
- Pantomimes



Week 3

- Drama Games
- Rehearsal



Week 4

- Performance
Times TBA

Weeks 1-4 July 2-27

Jewish Federation Office, Arcadia

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- No camp 7/4*

Schedule of Programs

Week 1 Pasadena June 18-22	Kehilla Session 1		
Week 2 Pasadena June 25-29	Kehilla Session 2	Manheegim 1	
Week 3 Pasadena July 2-6 *no camp 7/4	Kehilla Session 3	Manheegim 1	Mischak
Week 4 Pasadena July 9-13	Kehilla Session 4	Manheegim 1	Mischak
Week 5 Pomona July 16-20	Kehilla Session 1	Manheegim 2	Mischak
Week 6 Pomona July 23-27	Kehilla Session 2	Manheegim 2	Mischak
Week 7 Pomona July 30- August 3	Kehilla Session 3	Manheegim 2	
Week 8 Pomona August 6-10	Kehilla Session 4		

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