Camp Inspirations: Look Who Went to Camp!

Great things happen when youth and camps meet . . . something extraordinary happens

For the nearly 150 years that camp has been part of the hearts and minds of children and parents, this great experience--called camp--has provided important steps toward the milestones of their young lives-creating and fostering the artist, the musician, the articulate business person, the inspired politician, the actor, the scientist, or the visionary who lives in each child's heart.

From a society designed just for children springs forth millions of children from a wide range of backgrounds and experiences . . . every child's camp experience is part of the story of their lives.

The following list of famed campers might have taken an inkling of camp into their inspired work:

Business

Michael Eisner, former CEO, Disney Corporation F. Martin Johnson, former CEO/president, JSJ Corporation Michael M. Kaiser, president, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Frank Kelly Jr., former vice president, American Express, Inc. Sherry Lansing, former CEO, Paramount Pictures Lawrence Page, co-founder & president, products, Google Corporation Frank Smith, president, FedEx Martha Stewart, Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia

Science

Albert Einstein (staff), scientist Richard Kurin, Cultural Anthropologist Jerry Linenger, NASA Space Shuttle Astronaut Sally Ride, NASA Space Shuttle Astronaut

Civic and Political Leaders

Michelle Obama (staff), First Lady of the United States George W. Bush, 46th President, United States Chelsea Clinton, daughter Bill and Hillary Clinton Colby Cooper, Senior Advisor to U.S. Secretary of State Grey Davis, former governor of California Gerald Ford, 38th President, United States Ruth Bader Ginsberg, Supreme Court Justice Dexter Scott King, son of Martin Luther King, Jr. Bernice Albertine King, daughter of Martin Luther King, Jr. Martin Luther King III, s Carl Levin, U.S. Senate Ronald E. Minsk, former Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy at the National Economic Council (Clinton Administration) and New York Times Op-Ed Author Sandra Day O'Conner, retired Supreme Court Justice

Elma Powell, wife of Colin Powell, U.S. Army General (ret.) and former U.S. Secretary of State Nancy Reagan, wife of former president Ronald Reagan Condoleezza Rice, U.S. Secretary of State Ann Richards, former governor of Texas Bob Riley, Governor, Alabama



Music

Clay Aiken, singer Neil Diamond, singer Bob Dylan, singer and songwriter Josh Groban, singer Bruce Johnston, The Beach Boys Norah Jones, singer and pianist Jewel Kilcher, singer Damian Kulash, guitarist for OK Go Jerry Leiber & Mike Stoller, songwriters, Smokey Joe's Café Lisa Loeb, singer, musician, and songwriter Arthur Loesser, pianist and composer Lorin Maazel, musical director, New York Philharmonic Jeff Marks, creator, Tony Award winning Avenue Q Tim Mitchell, guitarist Timothy J. Nordwind, bassist for OK Go Douglas Pipes, composer Richard Rodgers, composer Peter Seger, folk singer, musician, song writer Gwen Stefani, singer Frank Tichelli, composer Peter Yarrow, singer for Peter, Paul and Mary

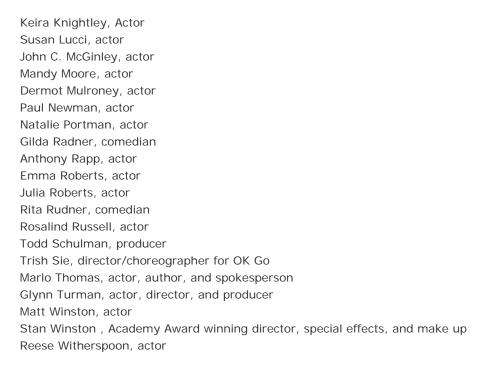
Visual Arts

Sam Abell, Photographer Robert Snyder, artist

Performing Arts

Paul Adelstein, Actor Kirstie Alley, actor Jennifer Beals, actor Mischa Barton, actor Mischa Barton, Actor Courteney Cox, actor Meredith Baxter, actor Mike Bender, writer and director, Indian Summer Zach Braff, actor and director Richard Brooks, actor Drew Carey (staff), actor and comedian George Carlin, comedian and actor Chevy Chase, actor and comedian John Cryer, actor Robert Downey, Jr., actor Avner Eisenberg, actor Tovah Feldshuh, actor Lauren Holly, actor Felicity Huffman, actor Tom Hulce, actor Linda Hunt, actor Jennifer Jason Lee, actor





Sports

Jerry Burns, former head coach, Minnesota Vikings Steve Fisher, basketball coach, San Diego State University Dorothy Hamill, Olympic Gold Medalist, Figure Skating Robert Hollway, former coach, St. Louis Cardinals and former assistant coach, Minnesota Vikings Joe Jacobi, Olympic Gold Medalist, Kayaking

Authors

Sam Abell, author Margaret Atwood, author Rita Dove, poet Eli Evans, author and member of the National Academy of Arts and Science Kinky Friedman, author, humorist, musician, and most recently a candidate for Governor of Texas, 2006. Cathy Guisewite, creator, comic strip Cathy John McPhee, Pulizter Prize winning author J.D. Salinger, author Andrew Tobias, journalist and author

Journalists

David Blum Rita Braver Pat Carbine Tucker Carlson Katie Couric Michael Reagan Frank Sesno Dr. Nancy Snyderman Jeffrey Taylor Mike Wallace



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