



# SIGHTINGS

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Theme: Art Expedition/ Eco Quest

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## From The Camp Director

This week, campers headed out on the trails with watercolors, brushes, colored pencils, and a whole lot of creativity. Days were spent in the sunshine learning, observing, being inspired, and recording findings through various art forms. Campers tuned into the subtle details in nature and found color, texture, and patterns all around them, from the sands at Rodeo Beach to the flora along hillside trails and even in the feathers of quail and red tail hawks. A truly fun filled debut for our newest camp, Art Expedition.

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## A Visit to Headlands Center for the Arts

On Wednesday, campers hiked over to Headlands Center for the Arts to meet with artist & animator Sarah Klein. Campers worked collaboratively to create *Headlandsia*, an original stop-motion film. Using the technique of cut-paper animation, campers designed characters, sets, and props, and then recorded movement frame by frame. Check out the finished masterpiece on our website at [www.coastalcamp.org](http://www.coastalcamp.org).



## Animal Sightings:

We saw Egrets, Black Tailed Deer, Red Winged Blackbirds, Ravens, Hummingbirds, Turkey Vultures, a River Otter, Beetles, Sea Stars, Raccoons, and Anemones... **Oh my!**

## Under the Microscope:

**Sara**, Camp Counselor

Sara was born and raised in Branson, Missouri, the self-proclaimed live country music capital of the world. After attending the University of Missouri and obtaining her degree in Psychology and Spanish, Sara moved to North Carolina to pursue a Masters Degree in Counseling. Sara enjoys working with children of all ages and has experience as a swim team coach, a group leader, and a counselor. She loves being active outdoors and enjoys doing everything from hiking and canoeing to playing tennis and swimming.



## Who's your Eco-Artist Hero?

This week, campers were introduced to the work of eco-artists. These are artists from all over the world who have been inspired by nature and natural materials to create art. Their artwork helps inspire others to explore nature and take action to protect the natural world. Did you know Thomas Moran's landscape paintings and drawings of Yellowstone helped inspire congress to create the National Park Service in 1916? I'm sure you will find your camper's art inspiring too!



## Eco Quest Sets Sail

What an amazing week for our adventurous Eco Quest campers! The beginning of the week was spent trekking around the sunny Headlands learning the principles of scientific inquiry. On Wednesday, campers set sail on the schooner *Seaward* and spent their day analyzing water samples from the bay and investigating plankton. They docked at Angel Island, where they camped overnight and were visited by a curious raccoon. Back in the Headlands, on Friday they busily prepared for their scientific symposium.

