

**2025**

**WELCOME PACKET**

JUNE 9th - JUNE 13th

Session One



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*Learning about photography and having fun doing it such as having studios and taking portraits, using the dark room, walking around Denver and doing street photography. Everyday we were doing something fun and new.*

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# Welcome to the 2025 LYNX National Arts & Media Camp!

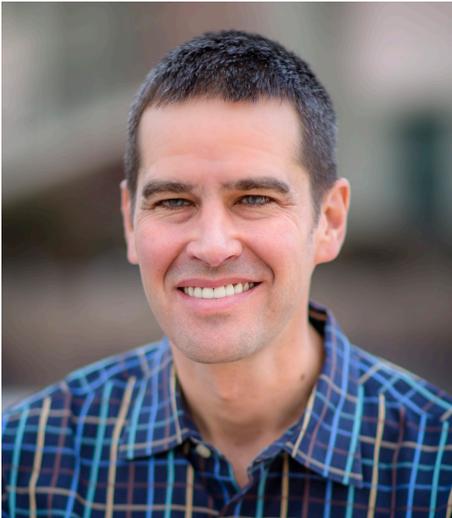
We are excited you have chosen to spend part of your summer with us. We have been busy planning lessons and fun activities for your exciting time at CU Denver. This packet contains important information for you to be prepared for your time at camp. Please remember to bring necessary items, read over important policies, and most of all, GET EXCITED! We'll see you the first day of camp!

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# Supply List

*Please be sure to be prepared for each day of camp. There will be limited access to stores to get supplies so make sure to bring what you will need for the week on the first day of camp.*

## All Students

- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses
- Medications (if needed)
  - Included but not limited to prescribed medications and over the counter medications (examples: allergy medicine, Advil, Tylenol, eye drops, etc.)
- Copies (physical or digital) of Medical Insurance cards
- Umbrella/Jacket (depending on weather)
- Note taking materials (notebook, pencils, pens, folders)
- Snacks

### Optional

- Spending money for souvenirs

## Program Specific

### 2D Animation/Illustration

Supplies will be provided though students are allowed to bring their favorite art supplies.

### Audio Production/Ableton Live

Two flash Drives, 16 gigs is a sufficient capacity. Wired headphones (not bluetooth).

### Comic Book Character Design

Supplies will be provided though students are allowed to bring their favorite art supplies.

### Photography

Must bring a digital camera/ DSLR camera to camp. We also strongly encourage a battery charger, & flash drives.

## Camp Will Provide

- Water bottle
- Lanyard for name tag
- Drawstring backpack
- Camp t-shirt

# First Day of Camp Schedule



We have scheduled a pre-camp orientation session on Sunday June 8th at 5pm Mountain Time via Zoom. Here is the Zoom Link for this session: <https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/96976019560>

## First Day of Camp (Monday, June 9th)

<b>8:30 AM - 9:00AM</b>	<b>Student Check In</b> Students will check-in at the ARTS Building. LYNX Camp staff members will be around to help.	<b>8:30 AM - 9:00AM</b>
<b>9:00AM - Noon</b>	<b>Morning Classes</b>	<b>Various Locations</b>
<b>Noon - 1:00PM</b>	<b>Lunch at City Heights Dining Hall</b> Lunch is Provided!	<b>City Heights Dining Hall</b>
<b>1:00PM - 4:30PM</b>	<b>Afternoon Classes</b>	<b>Various Locations</b>
<b>4:30PM</b>	<b>Students Check Out with Class TA</b>	<b>Various Locations</b>

# Last Day of Camp Schedule



We have scheduled a pre-camp orientation session on Sunday June 8th at 5pm Mountain Time via Zoom. Here is the Zoom Link for this session: <https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/96976019560>

## Last Day of Camp (Friday, June 13th)

<b>9:00AM - Noon</b>	<b>Morning Classes</b>	<b>Various Locations</b>
<b>Noon - 1:00PM</b>	<b>Lunch at City Heights Dining Hall</b> Lunch is Provided!	<b>City Heights Dining Hall</b>
<b>1:00PM - 3:00PM</b>	<b>Afternoon Classes</b>	<b>Various Locations</b>
<b>4:00PM - 5:00PM</b>	<b>Student Showcase</b> Parents, Family, and Friends Invited	<b>King Center Concert Hall</b>
<b>5:00PM</b>	<b>End of Showcase/Students Leave with Families or Check Out on own</b>	<b>King Center Concert Hall</b>

# Normal Day of Camp Schedule

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## Last Day of Camp (Friday, June 13th)

**9:00AM - Noon**

**Morning Classes**

**Various Locations**

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Lunch is Provided!

**1:00PM - 4:30PM**

**Afternoon Classes**

**Various Locations**

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*I really like the people in the camp and the instructors, and it was fun meeting new people that have common interests with me. I also loved using the recording studios and messing with the effects after to experiment and just have fun.*

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# Campus Map & Check In Procedures



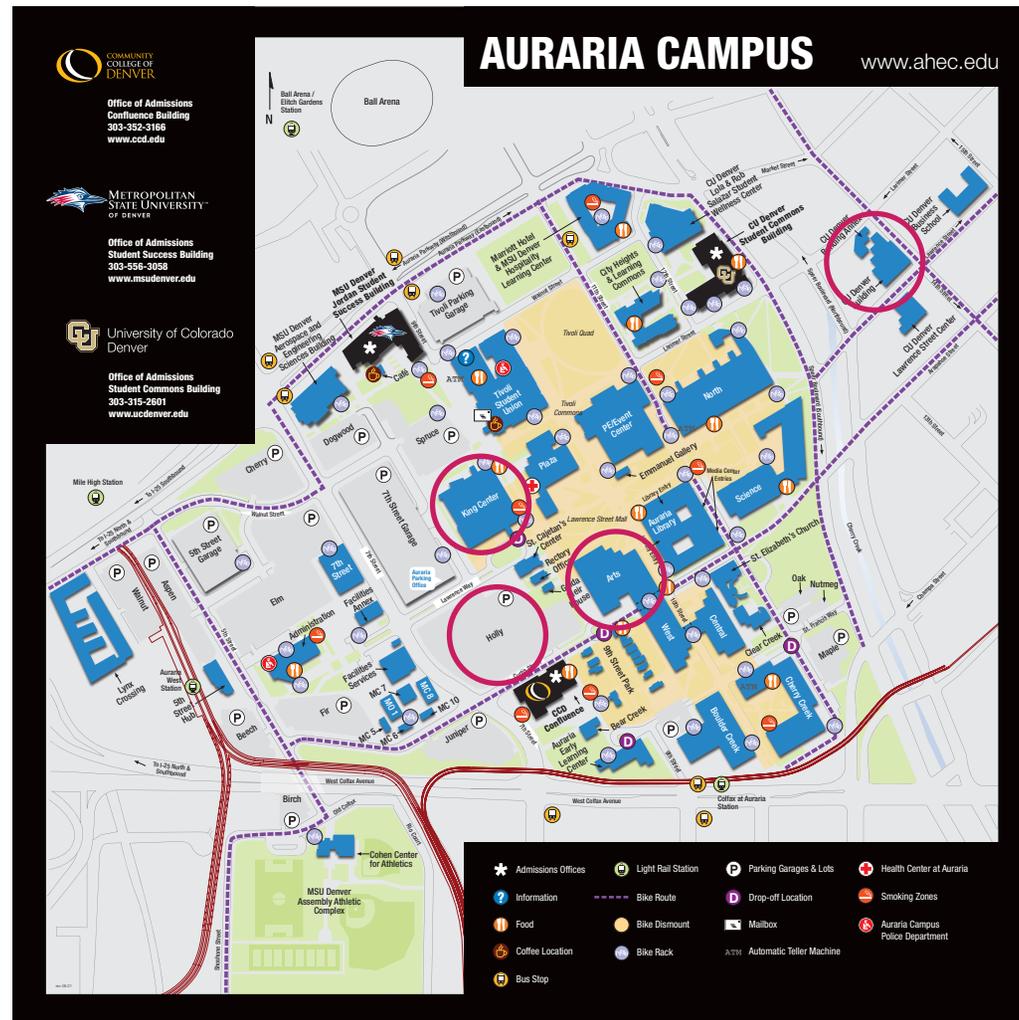
## Check In

All students will check in at the ARTS Building. Circled below on map; Address: 1150 10th Street, Denver, CO 80204. You will receive information materials and LYNX Swag upon check-in. Our LYNX Staff will be there to guide students and families.

## Parking

Please use the Holly Lot, located across the street to the King Center, near the Arts building. For free parking enter this code: **6022760**.

The Holly Lot is free for LYNX Camp parents and students when using this code.



# Transportation



## Commuting (This camp is a Commuter Camp Only)

Students will need to be dropped off and picked up each day of camp, unless a parent gives us permission to allow the student to transport themselves daily. This was done when doing the registration online or the first day of camp via written note.

Students need to be in their classrooms by 9:00 am Tuesday-Friday and must be picked up or leave once they are finished at 4:30 pm.

*The locations of each program are listed below. We will also review these in our Orientation Meeting on Sunday June 8th from 5pm-6pm Mountain Time. Please DO NOT go here on your first day- refer to the previous page about Monday's Check-In time and procedures.*

## Program Locations

### CU Denver Building

1250 14th Street Denver,  
CO 80202

2D Animation/Illustration  
Room 830

Comic Book Character Design  
Room 815D

### Arts Building

1150 10th Street Plaza  
Denver, CO 80204

Photography  
Photography Lab

Ableton Live/Audio Production  
Room 281

## Carpooling

If you are interested in finding another family to carpool with, feel free to put your information on the google form below. We will not be connecting families, it is up to the families to connect with each other if they live in similar areas and want to carpool. We are just providing this as a resource.

*Hyperlink!*

# Conduct Agreement Form



*The following requirements must be read and agreed upon by the camp participant and the participants' parent(s)/guardian(s). You should have e-signed these in your online registration form. This is just a copy for your records.*

1. The LYNX National Arts and Media Camp has a zero-tolerance policy for use and/or possession of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, weapons, and other controlled substances and items. Possession and/or use of these substances and/or items will result in immediate expulsion from the program. Additionally, the police will be contacted if any illegal activity occurs. This includes underage alcohol use, marijuana use, and other illegal drug use.
2. Commuter participants are not required to attend any camp events outside of Monday-Friday academic instruction from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. Commuter participants must be at class by 9:00 am each morning or notify the LYNX Camp administrator to let us know that you are running late. Commuter students are not allowed at the residential accommodations. Commuter students may attend evening and weekend camp events (such as guest speakers, concerts, or tours) if accompanied by a parent or guardian. For evening and weekend field trips, we will not have space for commuter students on our buses. With parent and LYNX Camp administration approval, commuter students are welcome to meet us at field trip sites.
3. Participants are not to leave the scheduled activities on their own. When in transit, participants and staff will travel as a group. This includes walking to meals, field trips, etc. Participants and parents/guardians should understand that CU Denver is an urban, university campus environment and not a K-12 environment.
4. Cell phones must be put away during classes, events, lectures, activities, and workshops unless they are being used under staff supervision as part of the assigned activity.
5. Participants will be held responsible if they cause any damage to CU Denver property.
6. The LYNX camp promotes equality and respect among all faculty, staff, and participants. We do not tolerate harassment or bullying of any kind. In the case of reported harassment or bullying, participants involved will be interviewed, which may result in parents being contacted and expulsion from the program if necessary. If a participant feels that they are being harassed or bullied, they should immediately report this to a LYNX Camp staff member.
7. Students are not permitted to use Lime, LYFT, or any form of e-scooter and/or e-bike share.

# LYNX Camp Violation Policy



## 3 Strikes Policy for Minor Rule Violations

The following student behaviors will result in a written violation notice and a meeting with one of the LYNX Camp staff members to discuss the inappropriate behavior:

- Being late twice to a class or activity without contacting a LYNX Camp staff member.
- Using a cell phone in class (unless approved by the instructor).
- Being late for in-room time.
- Being out of your room between the hours of 10:00 pm and 7:00 am without permission from a staff member (residential participants only)
- Having lights on after lights-out time.
- Not wearing a lanyard and nametag during class periods, field trips, or other camp activities when LYNX Camp staff members have requested that students wear nametags or appropriate camp identification.
- Leaving a class, activity, or dining hall without permission from a staff member.
- Littering anywhere on campus or not cleaning up after oneself at the cafeteria.
- In general, not following the instruction of a LYNX Camp staff member. If a LYNX Camp staff member asks a student to follow a camp rule, the student is expected to do so without argument about the merit of the policy. The appropriate time to speak about the merits of our policies is before the camp starts or after the camp is over. If a student strongly disagrees with a policy during the camp, the student should contact their parent/guardian and have the parent/guardian contact LYNX Camp administration.

If the behavior happens again after the written violation warning, the student will receive another violation notice and the student's parent will be notified.

If the student commits another rule violation after the parents were notified, the student will be removed from the camp.

# LYNX Camp Violation Policy Cont.



## Immediate Expulsion from the LYNX Camp for Major Rule Violations

The following rule violations could result in immediate removal from the LYNX Camp:

- Any possession, distribution, or use of illegal substances. Illegal substances include alcohol and marijuana, as both are illegal in Colorado (and nationally) for anyone under the age of 21. The police will be contacted if illegal substances are used or found.
- Being in another student's room. Students are not to be in any other student's room without permission from a staff member.
- Skipping a class or activity without letting any staff member know where you are.
- Purposefully causing damage to any structure on campus, at the residence halls, or when on tours or field trips.
- Threatening harassment, or substantial bullying of a student, staff member, or anyone else associated with the LYNX Camp.
- Possession of any sort of weapons or making verbal threats involving weapons.
- Behavior that jeopardizes the physical safety of oneself or others. (This includes cutting, refusal to eat or drink, and other self-harm behaviors).

If one of these rules is violated a student will be removed immediately. The decision to remove the student from the camp will be made by the LYNX Camp Director.

# Frequently Asked Questions



## Do parents have to attend the closing concert or student showcase on the last day of the camp?

No, while it's great when family members are able to attend the closing day events, we understand that this may be difficult for some families. We plan to video and/or take pictures of the event to share with families.

## What LYNX Camp items will students receive when they check in at the camp?

All students will receive a LYNX Camp t-shirt, water bottle, drawstring backpack, and lanyard, on the first day of the camp.

## If I have a special diet and/or food allergies, will your camp be able to accommodate me?

We most likely will be able to accommodate students with special diets and/or food allergies. All meals will take place at the City Heights Residence Hall. Please contact us if you have special dietary issues that you would like us to be aware of for the camp.

## Can friends and family attend LYNX Camp events?

Families are encouraged to attend the Student Showcase on the last day of camp. Students are welcome to leave with their family after these events.

## Can I explore Auraria Campus and Downtown Denver on my own?

No, it is campus policy that minors participating in university programs are not to walk around campus on their own. We have plenty of planned events and outings that will allow you to see the campus and all that Denver has to offer.

# Important Links



*LYNX Camp Website*

*Student Absent  
Notification*

*LYNX Camp  
Payment Form*

*LYNX Camp  
Facebook Page*

*Optional Carpooling  
Form*

*LYNX Camp  
Required Forms*

\* must be completed prior to  
camp

*LYNX Camp  
Instagram Account*

**@lynxcamps**

\* Great to follow for pictures  
and updates at camp

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Spring 2026



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Spring 2025

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