

Basic Information:

- The cost is \$275 per student.
- We leave from Da Vinci Tree at 7:30 PM on Sunday, April 30th, 2023.
- We return to Da Vinci Tree between 9PM and midnight on May 3rd.
- We will spend over 8 hours on the bus both ways.
- We will spend between 2 and 5 hours on the boat both ways.
- On the island we will snorkel, kayak, perform labs, and much much more!



Santa Catalina Island



LAST CLASS TRIP FROM 2022

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TRAVEL TO
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On the boat!



Da Vinci Tree Academy will be going on our annual trip to the Catalina Island Marine Institute (CIMI)! Catalina Island is an island off the coast of California and is a short ferry ride from the port of Long Beach. CIMI is an institution specially designed to give students a hands-on experience with Marine Biology, Oceanography and island ecosystems. On May 1st-3rd, 2023 we will be visiting CIMI in the cove at Fox Landing. We leave from Da Vinci Tree on Sunday, April 30th at 7:30PM. We will be returning between 9:00-11:59 PM on May 3rd.

Despite being one of the schools coming from far away, we are able to send our kids to the Catalina Island Marine Institute for less than schools located in Los Angeles. This year the cost for the trip is only \$275 per student. This includes the round trip bus and ferry fare, all the instructional activities, food and drink for the three days that our students will be on the island. Due to deposit issues with the institution, any money paid towards the trip cannot be refunded. Other than this, students only need a little extra spending money for dinner on the way out and back, and any souvenirs they would like to buy.

We are asking families to pay \$50 per month starting in February to cover tuition costs. Payments can be made in the front office. **Payments qualify for Arizona's ECA tax credit.**

Da Vinci Tree Academy - Mr. Roll - Ms. Jen

LAB SESSIONS

At CIMI, labs are the main educational activity which the instructors use to introduce the students to science. Each lab session varies from the one before it in activity and material. The topics covered in the labs range from invertebrates, sharks, vertebrates, plankton (and other microorganisms), astronomy, hydrology, marine mammals and conservation ecology.



Ryan dissects a squid.



Maddy & Jayden search for phytoplankton.

SNORKELING

Not nearly as educational as the labs but probably twice as fun is snorkeling. In Fox Landing, Da Vinci Tree will go on several snorkels including an introduction snorkel and a night snorkel to see the bioluminescent phytoplankton that live in the cove.



Yasmina, Anthony, and Lucy get ready to snorkel!



Orientation snorkel.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

CIMI at Fox Landing has many other activities to offer our students. Instructors take students on hikes, demonstrate a live astronomy lab, take kids kayaking and several other exciting activities. There is more than enough there to keep our middle schoolers occupied!



Mr. Wolaver when he was in Middle School.



Just hanging out in the ocean w/ their principal.