

About 50 people have signed up, so NW New Year's Camp is on!

December 30th 2022 through January 2nd 2023

Registration and fees

For those who pre-registered with fingers crossed that camp would be held, please return to the registration link on our website. The link pulls up information for all individuals who registered together. You can review and edit information if needed. The form is now set to prompt you for payment: Complete your payment by **Midnight November 15** to secure the early bird rate. The site will accept new registrations, as well.

www.bashonvashon.org/reg.php

Registration is on a tiered fee plan. Please pay the highest tier that you can afford. Your generosity will let us include community members who might be unable to attend at the full rate. “Benefactor” covers our expenses and more; “Sustaining” meets our expenses; and “Basic” is below our cost. We want your presence, and by paying the highest tier you can afford, we will ensure our expenses are covered and camp is available in years to come.

	By Nov 15	After Nov 15
Under 6	\$ 95	\$ 110
6-12 yr old	\$ 130	\$ 145
13-18 Sustaining	\$ 175	\$ 190
13-18 Basic	\$ 130	\$ 145
Adult Benefactor	\$ 265	\$ 280
Adult Sustaining	\$ 220	\$ 235
Adult Basic	\$ 175	\$ 190

COVID Protocols

The results of our pre-camp survey showed a wide range of preferred COVID mitigation protocols. The committee has reviewed the results and used them to guide the policies that will be in place for camp this year. We know not everyone will be happy with the final decision, but we had to do what we thought was best for camp, both in terms of catering to enough people to have a successful camp, and being responsible members of the community. The COVID protocols we anticipate are as follows (If we change the policies before camp, full refunds will be available for those who are uncomfortable with new protocols). **If you experience contagious illness of any kind, before or during**

camp, please let us know right away. If you are already at camp, we will ask that you isolate or leave camp. In either case, we will work out the most generous refund possible, up to 100%.

- Vaccination: Complete initial vaccination series (2 doses of an mRNA or 1 dose Johnson & Johnson) plus at least 1 booster. The committee highly recommends getting the new bivalent booster at least 2 weeks before coming to camp.

- Masks: Masks will be required at all times in Rounds Hall (except when actively eating). The committee is considering the possibility of designating one or more of the workshop spaces as mask optional, and masks will not be required in your assigned housing location. Masks will be required in Rounds Hall bathrooms, and required when possible in remote bath houses. N95, KN95, and KF94 masks will meet masking requirements. No valved masks or bandanas will be accepted.

- Testing: We will require a negative at-home rapid test, taken within 6 hours of arriving at camp. **Planning ahead: We have become accustomed to getting our home COVID tests at no cost. Plan now to get tests so you will have a few to bring to camp for each member of your group.** Go to: www.sayyescovidhometest.org to restock. Note that Medicare covers 8 home tests per month (medicare.gov). Note also that expiration dates for home tests have been extended by as much as 12 months. Search on “Extended Expiration COVID Test” to see the updated FDA list.

- Housing: All housing will be pre-assigned, and an effort will be made to house people either with their own family, or with other people they are comfortable rooming with. Depending on attendance, it may be necessary to randomly house people together, but we will strive to keep numbers low in those situations so people can spread out. Some cabins are quite large and others are small; when registering, please note if there are others you would be willing to be housed with in close quarters, and if you would consider being housed with a few other folks in one of the very large cabins.

Dance Role Terms

As this was a concern to some campers last time camp was held, we thought it best to address the use of dance role terms before people sign up.

- Contra Dancing: Over the last couple years the Seattle dance community has settled on the role terms Larks and Robins for contra dancing. We would ask that anyone who wishes to call a contra dance at camp either use the terms Larks and Robins, call dances that don't require the use of role terms (A list can be provided), or call using positional calling.

- Square Dances and English Dancing: Role terms will be left up to caller discretion, but the committee strongly encourages callers to use inclusive language wherever possible.

What else to expect?

This will be a smaller camp with a different flavor than in the past. Based on the survey results, we expect between 50 and 80 attendees, where in a normal year we have around 155. With a smaller camp size, dancing, workshops, and other activities may be limited. With fewer campers to complete camper jobs, please adjust your expectations. Think of this as a family reunion with camp meals, and embrace the DIY nature of camp.

Thank you for being a part of the Northwest New Year's Camp community, and we hope to see many of you at camp this year. If this year's camp doesn't work for you, we still appreciate you being a part of this community and hope we get to see you in a future year.

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