

Discover the Ocean, Inc. ®

Discover the Ocean, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that provides character-building programs for youths through experiential learning at sea.

Students directly confront challenges of the ocean

environment in ways that help them discover enhanced self-esteem, self-confidence, a sense of responsibility, and the rewards of hard work and play. Teamwork and cooperation are encouraged by professional staff.

Discover the Ocean is founded on the belief that this kind of experiential learning assists young people to adopt healthier life choices, based on appropriate self-esteem. Participants are given as much responsibility as they can safely handle. They find out who they are and what they can do in unfamiliar situations where doing the right thing really counts.

The program fosters an understanding of the natural elements, builds inner strength tempered by personal adversity, and offers a communal bond formed by collective effort and shared enjoyment.

Discover the Ocean was created and incorporated in 1993 by the present Executive Director, Nancy Carson and received the 501(c)3 status in August of 1994. All staff members are substance-free individuals who practice healthy lifestyles that express their spiritual values.



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Boat Camp®

Boat Camp is an 88-hour fishing and boating adventure on a 42-foot diesel trawler, during four consecutive weeks of full-day Fridays and Saturdays, with the last weekend being an overnight trip. Additional overnights on the boat at the dock are optional.

Participants (ages 13 to 18) are trained to take responsibility for specific crew positions: Pilot, Communications Operator, Navigator, Safety Officer, Science Officer/Cook, Deckhand. There is a high ratio of staff (3 or 4) to participants (6).

To build nautical capabilities, participants receive instruction from professionals such as licensed skippers, navigation specialists, Coast Guard Auxiliary, oceanographers, marine biologists, marine electronics experts, and sportfishing professionals.

Sea time is spent fishing, exploring, and sharpening nautical skills.

Boat Camp space is limited. Apply early!

Please call to schedule an interview for a future boat camper:

Name _____ Age _____
Name(s) _____ Age(s) _____
Phone - home: () _____ Phone - work: () _____
School attended: _____ Best time to call: _____

Mail additional information about *Boat Camp*

Mail information about volunteer/sponsorship opportunities

Name: _____

Address: _____

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