

**AL-BUSTAN CAMP 2009**

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**COUNSELOR APPLICATION for (check one box):**

**Part** or  **Full-time Volunteer Counselor: 16 years and older**

**Full-time paid Senior Counselor: 18 years and older**

**Springside School, 8000 Cherokee Street  
Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, PA**

**July 6 – 24, 2007 (campers 6 to 12 years)  
June 29 – July 2, 2009 (counselor training & set-up)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Returning Counselor? (circle) Y / N

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Current School/College/Work \_\_\_\_\_

Education degrees completed, please indicate fields of studies: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Al-Bustan Camp? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to participate in Al-Bustan Camp?

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The 2009 Camp runs for 3 weeks: July 6<sup>th</sup> thru 24<sup>th</sup>. All counselors must attend June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10am-3pm, for training and camp setup preparations. In addition, we ask that counselors be available on morning of Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> for cleanup and packing. Please tell us about any dates when you will NOT be available this July.

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Please list your academic and extracurricular interests and activities, including sports.

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Do you speak, read, write, or understand Arabic? If so, did you learn it at home or in an educational setting (please describe your level of knowledge). If not, are you interested in learning it?

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What experience do you have working with children, particularly in educational/recreational settings? Please be specific (e.g. I worked for 6 months in a daycare center with 5 to 6-year olds; once a month I baby-sit for a 7-year old.)

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What experience do you have working on a team? Please describe one: what your role was, what did you found easy and liked, and what you found difficult and disliked.

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Camp includes the following program areas: Arabic, nature, storytelling & drama, art & architecture, and music & dance. In which of these areas do you have experience or a special talent? In which of these areas would you most like to assist the lead teachers? \_\_\_\_\_

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Is there anything else you'd like us to know about you (e.g. allergies, dietary restrictions, up-to-date certification in CPR and/or First Aid, etc.)?

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Please provide us with the name, address and telephone number of two people not related to you who can tell us about you, and please indicate how you came to know them.

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The main hours of Camp are from 9am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday. Counselors are expected to arrive by 8:30am and leave by 4:15pm. Counselors 16 and 17 years can choose to be part-time volunteer counselors in the morning or afternoon OR part-time volunteer counselors and part-time teen campers, at no fee, in the video program (offered in the morning) or the drama/art/Arabic program (offered in the afternoon). Please note: participation in teen program is contingent upon satisfactory performance of counselor duties. Please check one or two of these options:

\_\_\_\_\_ Counselor in the morning (8:30am-1pm)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Camper in Drama/Art/Arabic (1-4pm)

\_\_\_\_\_ Camper in Video (9am-1pm)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Counselor in the afternoon (1-4:15pm)

Extended care will be provided by Springside School, who may hire one counselor from Al-Bustan at an hourly rate for the morning and afternoon hours.

I am interested in working (check if interested)  before care (7:30-9am)  aftercare (4-6pm).

We have two positions for paid Senior Counselors. Those 18 years and older interested in full-time paid position, please attach your resume.

For those 18 years and older, it is our policy to run criminal background checks after selection of an applicant as volunteer or paid staff. Any conflict of information may result in termination of staff position. Have you ever been convicted of a crime within the last 10 years?  Yes  No

If yes, please note: a criminal conviction will be considered only as it relates to qualifications to perform the job you are applying for. If so, please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

After your application is received, we will contact you to schedule an interview. Thank you for your interest in Al-Bustan!

**Please mail completed application to Al-Bustan Seeds of Culture, 526 S. 46<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19143. For more information, you may contact Hazami Sayed at Tel #: 267-303-0070 or Email: [hsayed@albustanseeds.org](mailto:hsayed@albustanseeds.org)**