



Dear "SPEC" Participant,

Spectacular 2018 is just around the corner, and we hope you're just as excited as we are! Our delegation is "Central Mission" and our group of campers and delegation staff will number around **120!!!** We are one of the largest delegations, which only adds to our enthusiasm and spirit. Please come with a spirit of sportsmanship and an attitude of building relationships.

Here are some important things you'll need to know as our departure day approaches:

- 1. LEAVING FOR SPEC**—Saturday July 21st, meet at Community of Christ Temple Continents Room.
 - **Begin arriving at 9:30. ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 10:00 am** to allow time for the check-in procedure and to load your luggage.
 - **BUSSES WILL DEPART BETWEEN 10:45 AND 11:00 am.**
 - **BRING YOUR LUNCH** or eat lunch **BEFORE** you come- Dinner in Lamoni is not until 6:00 pm.

Every camper MUST have all online forms completed and turned in, as well as all FEES PAID, or they will not be allowed to depart for camp!
- 2. RETURN**—Saturday July 28th, between 2:30-3:00 pm at The Temple parking lot.
 - **Have someone BE THERE to pick you up** so you won't have to wait for a ride
 - **All campers are expected to ride the bus TO and FROM Spectacular.** Any exceptions must be cleared and okayed ahead of time with the Central Mission Delegation Leaders, Susan and Ben Byrne
- 3. Upon arrival and departure, please be prepared to HELP load and unload the buses and HELP your co-campers out! Don't leave the bus area without assisting and make sure you have ALL of the items you brought with you before heading to your room or leaving after camp.**
- 4. We are working hard to gather the online sports forms and fees required for each camper, so please help us with this! Please make sure you have submitted a copy of insurance cards which are required. If you have not turned in all of your items, PLEASE DO SO IMMEDIATELY!**
- 5. Any campers who have just completed their junior year and are considering attending Graceland University after graduation, can interview for the Wallace B., Inspire, and/or Tom Cochran scholarships. Interviews for these scholarships are the week of Spec. Campers need to have all scholarship paperwork completed and have applied to Graceland BEFORE leaving for Spectacular.**

6. There will be LOTS of fun and interesting arts, music and leadership classes to choose from in the mornings. Please look at these ahead of time to determine which ones you are interested in. Some classes will require you to sign up for them when we arrive on Saturday. The classes and the schedule are listed below in this letter.
7. Come prepared to audition for your spot on the playbill! **Extravaganza** is the talent show on Wednesday night; **SPEC Recital** is also Wednesday evening; **SPEC's Got Talent** is Friday evening. Audition time and place TBA.

Spec Presents is a double session class option where theatre and music students will have the opportunity to audition for the musical that will be performed on Thursday night. Auditions will be during class on Sunday.

8. **WHAT TO BRING:**

- **Bedding:** extra-long twin sheets and blankets or sleeping bag and pillow
- **Towels, soap and personal toiletries** and something to carry them in to and from the bathrooms
- **Water Bottle**
- **Sunscreen**
- **Fan(s) for your room** (optional). Graceland usually provides one fan per room.
- **Extension cords and power strips**
- Plenty of T-shirts, tank tops & shorts for hot days with several games played each day.
- Jeans and sweatshirt/jacket in case there is cooler weather or some rainy days
- Scriptures for class or your personal devotions
- Blanket for Campfire or outdoor movie
- Positive attitude, desire to make new friends and experience God

9. **DO NOT BRING:**

- **Anything valuable that could get lost, damaged or stolen**
- Valuable jewelry—**No Jewelry allowed during games!**
- Large Boom Boxes or Stereos
- Mini-Refrigerators or Air Conditioners
- Anything that would distract others or yourself from a positive camping experience

Note: Cell phones are allowed unless they become a distraction. Lamoni has limited coverage.

Unacceptable Clothing:

- Any clothing (or lack of) that Staff and Campers would not wear at other Christian events.
- Any clothing promoting consumption of alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs.
- Any clothing promoting companies that produce or promote consumption of alcohol or tobacco.
- Any clothing that explicitly or implicitly promotes racism, sexism or hatred of any group or person.
- Any clothing that explicitly or implicitly promotes or refers to sexual actions or situations
- Any clothing that promotes winning at all costs
- Any clothing with the sleeves cut out and down where excessive skin or undergarments show.

10. Everyone will receive 2 delegation shirts this year (1 T-shirt style and 1 sports jersey) to be worn for games and when we sit as a delegation. These "uniform" shirts will be washed daily. If campers want to wash any of their own clothing in the dorms they will need to bring their own detergent. You will also be given a shirt from Spectacular. If you attended IYF, please bring your IYF shirt with you!!!!
11. Food at mealtime is unlimited. In addition, the cafeteria offers fruit, snacks and drinks all afternoon free of charge. A few people choose to bring money for the snack shop (Swarm Inn) and the gift shop/bookstore, but that is optional.
12. If you are participating in Softball, bring your **GLOVE**; Tennis, bring your **RACKET**, Golf, bring your **CLUBS**; Music or Talent, bring your **INSTRUMENT, MUSIC and ANYTHING YOU NEED TO PERFORM.**

It is going to be a GREAT WEEK meeting young people from all over the world, so plan on having a fantastic time!

Spectacular is sponsored by Community of Christ and held on the
Graceland University Lamoni, IA campus
www.cofchrist.org/spec

Campers who cancel between July 6th and the departure for Spec are subject to a \$150.00 cancellation fee.

Feel free to contact Susan, 816-506-2780 with any questions or concerns!

Thanks for your help and cooperation. We look forward to seeing you at **SPECTACULAR 2016!**

Excited about our week together,
Ben and Susan Byrne, delegation leaders

Sports forms:

Please make sure your sports form is completed ONLINE **no later than 7/15/2018.**

It can be found in numerous locations

-Facebook Group

-Centralmission.org under High School Opportunities beneath Spec---the last link

-Email from Active

Carter and Ben V would appreciate it being done earlier. If you have any changes to be made, they should be done by the 15th as well.

Classes —5 Days of Fun So Be Here Every Day!

Double Session (10:30-12:20)

Amateur Radio (Ham) Licensing Class Mike & Lois Thayer (103 Resch—Limit 6) Earn your amateur radio license during Spectacular! Fast Track License class with exam on Friday. Books and materials provided.

Celebration & Worship Daniel Harmon & Emily Rose (104 & 105 Resch) Do you sing, dance, speak, lead, emcee, act, plan, pray, have a testimony, read, or anything else? We want YOU! This class is for everyone who has a desire to share their gift in a worship experience this week. We will be putting together each Morning Celebration as well as other worship experiences. See you there!

School of Rock! (179 Shaw) Jammers Unite! Do you play the guitar? What about drums? Keyboards? Bass? Do you like rock music? What about blues? Country? Want to play in a band with other Spec campers? If you answered yes to any of these questions, THIS is the class for YOU!

SPEC Presents: Me, My Selfie & I Todd Davison and Crew (Shaw Auditorium) Come be part of the cast and crew of this year's show. The first day of class we'll go over parts before auditions and talk through set design and lighting/sound needs.

10:30 Session Only

Drawing Naomi Barlow (Drawing Studio Helene—Limit 25) Increase your drawing skills through direct instruction on drawing skills and specific exercises. Bring your own picture to draw or pick one from the provided pictures. Teacher instruction to complete a finished piece you can amaze your friends with!

Stone-Carving (3D) Carving Crew (Sculpture Studio Helene—Limit 15)

Carve alabaster stone into amazing 3D creations—large and small projects available. Extra instruction available in the afternoon if needed.

Classes—Drop in for Some, Stay for Others!

Double Session (10:30-12:20)

BEYOND High School: Everything You Need to Know About Getting into College GU Admissions (G04 Admin. Bldg) Come learn about the application process, careers and class selection, managing test scores and grade points, scholarships and financial aid, athletic eligibility, and a lot more!

Beginning Golf and Golf Tournament Kevin Brunner (Meet @ Quad Tent—Limit 15) SUN-WED Come learn and play golf for a few days, then join the tournament on Tuesday.

Disc Golf Adam Morrison & Zackeriath Johnson (Meet @ Quad Tent—Limit 50)

Join Adam (2012 Junior World Champion) and Zackeriath (member of Team Latitude 64) for this intro to Disc Golf. We'll work on throwing techniques, rules of fair play and courtesy, and making new friends,

Movies and Media Emily Munter (218 Zimmermann) How do we see the stories of others and apply them to our daily lives? Come join this class as we use movies and other media to create peaceful, open discussions about social issues and other topics

SPEC Sports Clinic GU Coaches (Meet @ Gym Sports Desk—Limit 30) Looking for an opportunity to work on fundamentals, get in extra practice, and get expertise from a university head coach? Each day we'll offer a different sport so choose one or more that interest you. All skill levels welcome!

Sunday:

Track — Long Jump and Shot (Tom Shore)

Volleyball (Stew McDole & Stu Sherman)

Monday:

Tennis (Joel Loving)

Volleyball (Stew McDole & Stu Sherman)

Tuesday:

Basketball (Cory Hoff & Frank Howell)

Baseball/Softball (Todd Verwers)

Wednesday:

Basketball (Cory Hoff & Frank Howell)

Football (Marc Kolb)

Thursday:

Cheer-Session 1 only (Julie Rivera)

Soccer (Bryan Courtney & Ozzie White)

Wrestling (Zack Mullins)

Choose a Session (10:30 or 11:30)

Acrylic Painting Greg Schieszer (Painting Studio Helene—Limit 25) Enjoy the experience of teacher instructed painting to produce a picture reflecting the Spec theme: Story. Independent painting option, with teacher guidance.

Ceramics Ceramics Team (Ceramics Studio Helene—Limit 20)

Practice new skills with experienced teachers! Beginners and experts, make pottery while stretching your skills with a challenging project. Wet clay time ends on Tuesday so projects can be completed. Come by in the afternoon or evening for more personalized instruction and Raku firing events.

Chime In Delores Dorland (Student Gallery Helene—Limit 15) SUN-TUES only. Make a Joyful Noise-Construct wind chimes from colored glass.

Counted Cross-stitch Thea and Randy Shelton (Walker Lounge South—Limit 12)

Stitch patterns from Christmas to birds to samplers. You will get a kit that has everything you need to complete your pattern and display your finished product.

Fairy Gardens Delores Dorland (Student Gallery Helene—Limit 10) WED only. Create your own miniature garden to take home.

Free Listening Movement Benjamin Mathes (Quad Lawn) MON-THURS. Join Urban Confessional founder, Benjamin, in open discussion about this incredible movement that is sweeping the planet. Learn listening skills that you can model and share in your community.

Flower-arranging Ruth LaHue (Helene Print Studio—Limit 20) Learn the art of preparing flowers and arranging them with a professional florist to assist you. Projects will be featured in the Tues and Thurs evening worship.

Gadgets Hip Hop Amanda Stephens (151 Shaw Movement/Dance Room—Limit 30)

This class is open to anyone that wants to have fun and learn a Hip Hop dance. All level of dancers welcome, guys and girls!

Glass Fusion Donna & Megan Fletcher (E101 Helene—Limit 15)

It's HOT! You could make a glass pendant necklace, earrings, magnet, or a small medallion for wall or mirror.

Hula - Wanna Dance Again? Trudi Gunderson and Kumu Hula Kahealani Drollet (Shaw Lobby) Learn basic Hula steps, Hula protocol, ancient and modern Hula, have fun dancing with campers from around the world.

Joshua Project Sandi Boyd (Walker Lounge North) You can participate in a service project using looms to knit hats for newborns in local hospitals. Enjoy visiting with friends while you complete a hat in 2-3 hours.

Pyrography Lynda & Alan Roberson (Tent on the Quad—Limit 36) Originally created using steel tools over a charcoal fire, today's pyrography is created with the precision of hot, electric pens. Most projects take three days to finish so plan accordingly. (ONE project/person)

SPEC Book Club: Graphic Novels! Julie Clinefelter (TBD) Graphic novels, comic book, manga. If these words make you happy, this is the class for you! Whether you like to read, write, or draw them come join us as we discuss our favorites, the worst of the worst, and just what all the fuss is about.

SPECIAL Guests Stassi Cramm & Guests (Heritage Chapel) Bishop Cramm will host this session with different guests each day. Come for open discussion and Q&A with Stassi and our SPECIAL guests.

Spec's Kitchen Chef Tito (S. Americas Room - MSC—Limit 30) Join Chef Tito as he teaches the fundamentals and the secrets associated with being a good cook. There will be food and of course, FUN!

Stamping Class Deborah Adams (Art Gallery Helene—Limit 15) -Not only can you stamp on paper, we'll be stamping on wood, leather, canvas, dominoes, and cigar boxes. We'll be making a small picture journal.

Sun Prints Delores Dorland (Student Gallery Helene) THURS only. Using light sensitive paint, cotton cloth, and select objects, make a design that will reveal itself when placed in a sunny spot to dry.

The Ring's the Thing Janelle Varvaro (E101 Helene—Limit 15) Create a unique ring for yourself using copper wire and glass beads. Limit one class session per person.

The Storytellers Barb Walden & Karen Norton (TBD) Class starts Monday. Love a good story? Hear fascinating stories from Community of Christ church history that continue to speak to us today. Come ready to hear a good tale and to share a few tales of your own.

Thinking Globally - Acting Globally and Locally Max Pitt, Mariah Mann, Klair Cross, Karl Bradford (Quad Lawn) Learn and take action about global income inequality, responsible charitable efforts, water supply/quality, the roots of poverty, the need for gender equality, the issues of population growth/hunger, and the need for education. Learn how to join GU students to act locally.

What's the Buzz Delores Dorland (Student Gallery Helene) We aren't talking about the latest news flash—Come to class and learn how to use wooden objects, create a design, and create your own buzz.

Yoga Amy Black (Amphitheatre) Come stretch, build strength, play around with fun poses, and learn a little about meditation and breathwork. Each day we will explore different themes/styles and end with relaxation time to unwind and destress. Campers and staff welcome!

Zumba Erv Bernard (MSC Mainroom) Join this aerobic fitness class featuring movements inspired by Latin dance styles and music. Bring a friend and get your sweat on!

10:30 Session Only

Let's Sing Harmony The Sacrys (Cheville Chapel) Join us for a fun-filled class focusing on various styles of acapella singing. Through vocals and rhythm, experience the harmony we create by working together. Come ready to share-your voice!

#GirlStrong Ginelle Sakima Roberts, Kara Vojcsik (106 Resch—GIRLS ONLY) A class about how to be a strong woman and how to bravely be that at home, at school, at camp, on a team, and in the world.

Improv Fun Steve Hensley (JR Theater—Limit 20) Anyone can participate! This is a great class if you are looking to have fun with your friends, have ever wanted to try improv, or you just want to laugh really hard until milk comes out of your nose! Come and see what we are all about!

International Fun w/World Service Corps Emily Penrose McLaughlin (S. Tess Morgan Lounge) Travel to the places where WSC volunteers have served and explored through games, art, food, music, and more from around the world!

Residing in the Rhythm Tyler Horringa (Library View Room) What music do you most resonate with? Is it possible to find the Divine in the music you love? Come to class willing to both share music that is deeply important to your heart while also intentionally listening to meaningful songs chosen by your peers.

Women Empowered Kery Nelms (MSC Main—Limit 25. GIRLS ONLY) Building confidence in yourself, learning to defend. No previous martial arts experience needed.

11:30 Session Only

Calling All Angels Larry & Sharon Norris (N. Americas Room - MSC) You could save a life! Personal experience and a DVD will be used to teach the signs of depression and helpful skills for preventing suicide. Single class held Sun, Tues, Thurs.

Drop-In Drawing Naomi Barlow (Drawing Studio Helene—Limit 25) This session is for drop-in drawing with teacher instruction to improve pencil skills through some directed exercises.

Jiu-Jitsu Kery Nelms & Becca Madden (Fitz Fitness Center—Limit 25) Come learn the basics for protection, health, and self-confidence. No experience needed.

Spectacular Improv Steve Hensley (JR Theater—Limit 8) You will be learning Improv methods and games used by a variety of major improve theatres! This ensemble team will have the opportunity to perform in front of a crowd Wednesday night. Come check it out!

Stone-Carving (2D) Carving Crew (Sculpture Studio Helene—Limit 20)

Sand and polish your stone, draw and trace your design on a flat piece of alabaster, then engrave your final 2D masterpiece. Extra instruction available in the afternoon if needed.

SCHEDULE OF THE WEEK

July 21 - SATURDAY - "Story"

10:00-2:00 Delegation & Staff Registration, Sports Sign-up (MSC America's Rooms)

2:00-4:00 Adventure Class Sign-up & Performing Arts Information (Quad Tent)

3:00 All Staff Worship-Delegation Leaders Meeting (Shaw Auditorium)

4:00 Sports Staff Meeting (Closson Multipurpose)

4:30 All Camp Orientation (Amphitheater)

6:00 Dinner (Quad) eat as a delegation

6:30 SPEC TODAY Facilitators Meeting (Walker)

7:00 Delegation meetings

8:00-11:00 SPEC Ice-breaker and Opening Ceremonies (Amphitheater)

11:00 In Dorms - Devotions (every night)

12:00 Lights Out (every night)

July 22 - SUNDAY - "Call to Adventure"

6:30-7:45 Breakfast (Commons)

8:00 Camp Photo (Amphitheater)

8:25-9:00 Morning Celebration (Gym)

9:05-10:00 "SPEC Today"

9:15 Delegation Leaders' Meeting (Commons)

10:05-10:25 Delegation Meetings

10:30-11:20 Adventure Classes I

11:30-12:20 Adventure Classes II

12:00-1:00 Infirmary Open

12:30-1:30 Lunch (Quad)

1:30 "What's Y(our) Story?" (Various)

4:30-8:00 Dinner (Commons)

4:30 "Let the Games Begin!"
9:30-10:00 Infirmary Open
9:30 "Buckets & Boards" Concert (Shaw Auditorium)
11:00 In Dorms - Devotions (every night)
12:00 Lights Out (every night)

July 23 - MONDAY - "Beginning"

7:00-8:15 Breakfast (Commons)
8:25-9:00 Morning Celebration (Gym)
9:05-10:00 "SPEC Today"
9:15 Delegation Leaders' Meeting (Commons)
10:05-10:25 Delegation Meetings
10:30-11:20 Adventure Classes I
11:30-12:20 Adventure Classes II
12:00-1:00 Infirmary Open
12:30-4:30 Lunch (Commons)
1:00 Sports & Activities
4:30-8:00 Dinner (Commons)
9:00-10:00 International Stage (Shaw Auditorium)
9:30 -10:00 Infirmary Open
10:15 Campfire
11:00 In Dorms - Devotions (every night)
12:00 Lights Out (every night)

July 24 - TUESDAY - "Revelation"

7:00-8:15 Breakfast (Commons)
8:25-9:00 Morning Celebration (Gym)
9:05-10:00 "SPEC Today"
9:15 Delegation Leaders' Meeting (Commons)
10:05-10:25 Delegation Meetings
10:30-11:20 Adventure Classes I
11:30-12:20 Adventure Classes II
12:00-1:00 Infirmary Open

12:30-4:30 Lunch (Commons)
1:00 Sports & Activities
4:30-8:00 Dinner (Commons)
8:00 - 9:15 SPEC Worship (Amphitheater)
9:30 - 10:00 Infirmary Open
9:30 Soccer, Track (Stadium)
11:00 In Dorms - Devotions (every night)
12:00 Lights Out (every night)

July 25 - WEDNESDAY - "Transformation"

7:00-8:15 Breakfast (Commons)
8:15-9:00 Delegation Devotions (Various)
9:05-10:00 "SPEC Today"
9:15 Delegation Leaders' Meeting (Commons)
10:05-10:25 Delegation Meetings
10:30-11:20 Adventure Classes I
11:30-12:20 Adventure Classes II
12:00-1:00 Infirmary Open
12:30-4:30 Lunch (Commons)
1:00 Sports & Activities
4:30-8:00 Dinner (Commons)
6:00 SPEC Recital (Carol Hall)
9:00 - 10:30 Extravaganza (MSC Main)
9:30 - 10:00 Infirmary Open
11:00 In Dorms - Devotions (every night)
12:00 Lights Out (every night)

July 26 - THURSDAY - "Freedom to Live"

7:00-8:15 Breakfast (Commons)
8:25-9:00 Morning Celebration (Gym)
9:05-10:00 "SPEC Today"
9:15 Delegation Leaders' Meeting (Commons)
10:05-10:25 Delegation Meetings

10:30-11:20 Adventure Classes I
11:30-12:20 Adventure Classes II
12:00-1:00 Infirmary Open
12:30-4:30 Lunch (Commons)
1:00 Sports & Activities
4:30-8:00 Dinner (Commons)
8:30 - 9:30 "SPEC Presents" (Shaw Auditorium)
9:30 -10:00 Infirmary Open
9:45 -10:45 Communion (Amphitheater)
11:00 In Dorms - Devotions (every night)
12:00 Lights Out (every night)

July 27 - FRIDAY - "Go & Tell"

7:00-8:15 Breakfast (Commons)
8:25-9:00 Morning Celebration (Gym)
9:00-9:45 RetroSPECtive (Gym)
10:00 Delegation Meetings
11:00-12:00 Infirmary Open
11:00-4:30 Lunch (Commons)
12:00 Sports & Activities
4:30-8:00 Dinner (Commons)
5:00-8:00 "Art in the Park" (Zimmerman Tent)
7:30-9:00 SPEC's Got Talent and School of Rock (Amphitheater)
9:30-10:00 Infirmary Open
9:30-11:00 Dance Party on the Quad
11:00 In Dorms - Devotions (every night)
12:00 Lights Out (every night)

July 28 - SATURDAY "Our Story"

6:30-7:45 Breakfast
8:00-9:15 Delegation Worship
9:30 Closing Ceremonies (Gym)

We will then clean, pack up, and load the buses to head home.

GU Schedule Highlights

1:00 Tuesday - Inspire and W.B. Smith Applications Due

6:30-7:30 Tuesday - New Student Reception

4:00-6:00 Wednesday - W.B. Smith Reception

Graceland offers scholarship opportunities to those who attend SPEC. To find out more click on the links below, or call your admissions counselor.

[Wallace B. Smith Grant Application](#)

[+ High School Transcript Request Form](#)

Due 1 p.m. Tuesday of SPEC

Plan to attend formal reception Wednesday afternoon.

[InSpire Scholarship Application](#)

[+ High School Transcript Request Form](#)

Due 1 p.m. Tuesday of SPEC

Thomas Cochran Scholarship

For volleyball players entering their senior year. Auditions held during SPEC week - [contact coaches](#) for more information.