

## Yaupon Place Eco-Camp Summer 2022

Yaupon Place is a public ministry initiative of Union Presbyterian Seminary.

Dates: June-August 2022

Location: 1313 Westwood Avenue Richmond, VA 23227

Partnerships: Northside Family YMCA, YMCA of Greater Richmond

Shalom Farms, Virginia Interfaith Power and Light (VAIPL)

## PRESS RELEASE STATEMENT

Yaupon Place, a public ministry initiative of Union Presbyterian Seminary, is excited to partner with the Northside YMCA, Virginia Interfaith Power and Light (VAIPL), and Shalom Farms to host Yaupon Place's Summer 2022 Eco-Camp.

Throughout 9 weeks, campers from the Northside Family YMCA, YMCA of Greater Richmond (grades K-5) will visit Yaupon Place park on Tuesday and Thursday mornings to explore a deeper, more dynamic relationship with the Earth, their community, one's self, and Spirit - learning real ways all are interconnected. Activities throughout the park and farm will include recreation, storytelling, art, spirituality, environmental justice, gardening, peacebuilding and personal wellness. At the end of every day, intergenerational "reading buddy" groups, led by community volunteers, will enjoy reading and eating lunch together. A diverse array of local environmental leaders have been invited to share their stories and work with both the kids and teens weekly.

## **ABOUT YAUPON PLACE**

A park of Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond's Northside where community, ecology, and spirituality meet. Yaupon Place provides organic and programmatic space in the Northside community to re-create healthy relationships within one's self, with each other, and the Earth through creative story sharing and wellness programs.

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