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**Indraloka Animal Sanctuary Press Preview on MLK Day 2024
Join Children and Teen Campers to Learn About Summer Camps**

Dalton, Penn. — Although the new year just began, parents know it's never too early to start planning for summer. On **Monday, January 15, from 10am to 2pm**, [Indraloka Animal Sanctuary](#), Dalton, PA, is hosting a **Press Preview Day** to introduce its popular summer camps. Several campers, ranging in age from nine to 14, will be on hand and available to speak about what makes summer camp at Indraloka special. Press will be able to witness the magic that happens when kids and animals mingle amidst NEPA's natural beauty.

Indraloka's summer camps offer children and teens healthy, wholesome, outdoorsy fun, free from electronics. We welcome other-abled children and empower kids of every ability to thrive in a noncompetitive, compassionate environment. We are hoping local news crews will want to join us on MLK Day and witness the campers' joy firsthand.

Indraloka promotes a compassionate lifestyle that avoids using animal products. People often think that means we serve campers carrots and celery and little else. Wrong! We show children that healthy eating can be delicious and even decadent (in moderation, of course). The MLK Day event includes a pizza party.

"Our summer camps tend to fill up with kids who have attended camp here previously. Our goal on MLK Day is to introduce Indraloka to the wider community. We want parents who need affordable options for their kids to know we're here and we offer need-based scholarships. No child is turned away for lack of funds," Indraloka's Director of Education Sarah Thornton says.

The Press and campers will enjoy a special treat on MLK Day — time with Indraloka's recently-rescued piglets, Dory and Duncy. The piglets have become social media sensations, drawing hundreds of thousands of views for their [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) videos.



On President’s Day, February 19, 2024, Indraloka will host a second full day youth event for prospective campers and their parents. Similar to the invite-only MLK Day preview, the President’s Day event will offer a sample of how Sarah designs summer camps.

Before joining Indraloka full time as the Director of Education, Sarah was a 20-year educator in the Sullivan County School District. She holds a masters in music education and is a certified trauma and resilience specialist in education. Sarah incorporates STEAM-based learning in many of the programs she leads. She also includes the animals. In “Story Time with the Animals,” children develop a love for reading. Older kids develop confidence in their skills by reading aloud to gentle sheep and mini pigs. Kids learn math skills by calculating the weight of a large pig using the mass, volume and density formula. Kids sing, run, help out in the barns. They have fun while they are learning.

The best way to understand the abundance of programming Indraloka offers for children and adults is to come out and see the sanctuary. Meet the animals. Speak with Indraloka founder Indra Lahiri, PhD, Director of Development Robin Olson, EMBA, and Caregiver/Facilities Manager Ryan Wenck, MS. The Indraloka team can offer expertise on a wide range of local issues and offer human interest stories that uplift and inspire.

For more information, please visit our website the [Indraloka website](#), [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

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About Indraloka Animal Sanctuary

Indraloka, a 501(c) nonprofit, provides “heaven on earth” for farm animals that have nowhere else to turn. We hold year-round events that inform, inspire, and empower the community, and help people — especially children — heal from trauma. We advocate for a kind and compassionate lifestyle that protects animals, the earth and our own health. As educators, we offer a wide range of STEAM-based learning



programs, summer camps and field trips for children, K-12. The community is invited to tour the sanctuary; reservations are required. Visit us at Indraloka.org.