



## Little Artshram's Fourth Annual **Summer Art-Farm Beehive Camp** at the Community Gardens in Traverse City!

Children and youth, ages 6 and older have the opportunity to experience the magical blend of gardening, art, music and learning a deeper appreciation for the natural world. The Art-Farm Camps take place at the Community Gardens near the historic barns. This year we are partnering with the Michigan Land Use Institute (MLUI) to begin developing an Art-Farm Youth Entrepreneurial Market Garden, and also, with the TC Primitive Skills Core Group to expand our Wandering in the Woods Nature Awareness program. It's going to be a great summer!

The Art-Farm programs follow the Permaculture practice of carefully studying natural patterns, cycles and diversities. The focus areas are: food, water, shelter and community. The curriculum is a blend of art and music-making, organic gardening, natural building projects, nature awareness and primitive skills.

At the Community Gardens, Art-Farm Campers will tend and help grow a variety of vegetables, flowers and herbs in a teaching garden plot and assist the interns and mentor in the Youth Entrepreneurial Market Gardens as they work towards growing food to take to various markets and food kitchens. Each week we will create puppets or masks, story-tell, sing and perform a puppet teach-in at a special family-picnic at the Community Gardens. We will learn about "forest gardening", play wilderness awareness games, learn about trees and wild plants that grow in the Munson Woods, and practice primitive skills like fox-walking and learning bird language. Other projects include, painting, cartooning and nature sketching, and garbage art and natural-found instrument making.

Each weekly camp accommodates 25 children/youth, ages 6 and older with a staff of two-three adult leaders and two Art-Farm Apprentices. **The Art-Farm Day Camps are offered, Monday through Friday, 10-3 PM, Beehive Camps (1st-6th grade, 6 years and older)**

June 23-27

July 7-11

July 21-25

August 4-8

August 11-15

Girls OUTLOUD! Art-Farm Camp

August 18-22

NEW! Boys OUTLOUD! Art-Farm Camp

July 28--Aug-1

**Art-Farm Apprentice(13 years and older) and Teacher Training:**

**May 17th (all-day) June 16-20th, 2008 (M-F 10-3PM)**

**Mark your calendars for, the second annual Little Artshram Art-Farm and Traverse City Harvest Festival, Saturday, Sept. 20th!**