

ALBERTA SOCIETY of FIDDLERS – SUMMER FIDDLE CAMP
at

DEER VALLEY MEADOWS August 16 - 21, 2026

GENERAL INFORMATION

Classes Offered

Fiddle

Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced

Instructors – Laurie Maetche, Dean Bernier, Melanie Doderai, Tasha Zboya-Keith, Jarred Albright

Piano – One class, back up for fiddle with Deanna Dolstra (need to know basic chords in 3 keys)

Guitar – One class, back up for fiddle with Troy Gates. (need to know these chords-D,G,A,C,E.)

Jam Class - For those that wish to come to camp and just Jam! Open to fiddlers and accompanist. Blaine Lutwick will lead the Jam which will following the same schedule as the other classes. Included in this will be the opportunity to attend daily workshops. Acoustic no amplifiers

Crafter Room – A room will be provided for those that wish to work on their projects. (Quilting Scrapbooking etc.)

Meals and Accommodation Fees

5 nights and 14 meals (supper on first day, breakfast on last day)

Option #1

- Individual room and meals - **Adult** \$460, **Youth** (12-17) - \$400 **Under 12** - \$250

Option #2

- Campsite \$200. You can either cook your own meals or purchase meals for the week. Meals for week: Adults (12 and up) \$295 Child (4-11) \$200 Under 4 no charge

Fiddle/Piano/Guitar/Jam Class Instructor Fee: \$275

Crafter Fee: \$75

Registration Deadline August 3, 2026

Registration

To register for camp, fill out registration form and send to Troy, Camp Director, at

troybgates@hotmail.com

Please send a \$100 deposit or pay in full, payable through e-transfer to info@albertafiddlers.com or by cheque to #17 – 55326 RR 223, Sturgeon County, Ab T8L 5B2

Deer Valley Meadows Camp is located in Central Alberta, on the north bank of the Red Deer River. Half mile south of Highway #11 on Range Road 230, near Alix, Alberta.

Schedule

Arrive at Deer Valley Meadows on **Sunday**, August 16. Registration begins at 3:00 PM in Dining Hall. Rooms will be assigned in the order registrations are received. Supper served at 5:30 PM. Everyone will meet in the Auditorium for a Jam and Greet. After the fiddle students have each played a tune of their choice, the instructors will divide the fiddle students into their classes. All students will meet with their instructors about 8:00 PM.

Deer Valley Meadows Fiddle Camp

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8:30 - 9:15	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
9:30 - 11:00	Class	Class	Class	Class
11:00 - 11:30	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:30 - 12:30	Class	Class/Teacher Rotation	Class/Teacher Rotation	Class/Teacher Rotation
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
2:30 - 3:00	Break	Break	Break	Break
3:00 - 4:00	Workshop	Workshop	Workshop	Workshop
4:00 - 5:30	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time
5:30	Supper	Supper	Supper	Supper
7:00	Instructor Concert	Dance	Variety Show	Final Concert
8:30 - 10:00	Jam	Dance	Jam	Jam

Concession will be open during breaks. Workshops will be posted in Dining Hall

Friday: Camp concludes with breakfast and farewells at 8:30 am

Workshops: Each day students (under 18) are required to attend one of the daily workshops offered by the Instructors.

Concession – A concession will be open for those who wish to purchase snacks during the breaks.

Controlled Jam: Each fiddler, regardless of skill or ability, is invited to play a tune of their choice. Accompanists will give back up and other players will join in. Each person will be limited to one number so that everyone will have an opportunity to perform.

Other jams may be held nightly with levels and locations announced by the Director.

Evening Activities

Monday – Instructor Concert

Tuesday - Family Dance

Wednesday - Open student concert

Thursday - Final Student class concert

Guests for Meals: Extra meals must be purchased before registration deadline.

Name Tags: Please wear your name tag at all times. (Helps the kitchen staff identify who is getting meals) Dorms/Rooms: For those staying in dorms/rooms, you must supply your own bedding.

Showers – There are two shower houses available for campers.