CARMEL 1 FIRST SESSION STAFF





she/her
Cabin Counselor
Lancaster, PA

Hi! My name is Lily and this summer will be my 10th year at camp and my first year on staff! I am from Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and I will be a cabin counselor. In my free time I love hiking, music, reading, and pickleball. At camp, you can find me jamming during song session, climbing the tower, or playing ping pong. I'm so excited for a fantastic summer and I can't wait to meet everyone!



Teagan Carmichael she/her Teva Specialist Glasgow, Scotland I'm a Teva Specialist this year at camp! My favourite things to do are dance and crafts :) This is my first year at camp and I'm so excited to meet everyone!

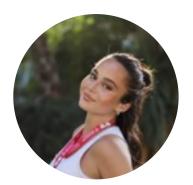


Karolina Krupa* she/her Teaching Kitchen Lubartów, Poland

I'm from Poland and have been living in Warsaw for the past few years. I graduated in American Studies and Journalism and worked as a live reporter for national TV, where I created original reports and directed a show about antiques. I'm passionate about theatre, music, film, and U.S. culture. This is my second year at camp—last time I was part of the office staff, and this year I'll be a teaching kitchen Specialist. Camp has taught me teamwork and how to face challenges far from home. I'm excited to help campers grow through fun kitchen activities while also supporting their communication and collaboration skills.



Sarah Sklar she/her Cabin Counselor Philadelphia, PA Hi!! I'm Sarah Sklar! This will be my 9th summer at camp!
Last year I was a CIT, and this is my first year on staff. I am
from Philadelphia, PA, and just graduated from AIM
Academy. My favorite camp activities are Omanut, Shira,
making friendship bracelets, and Shabbat. I am so excited
for this summer!!!



Shelly Troib*
she/her
Communications
Gedera, Israel

Hi! My name is Shelly - it's nice to meet you! I'm from Gedera, a small town in Israel. I work as a medic in Magen David Adom. My hobbies are photography, painting and working out. My role at camp will be a photographer. Love you all!

CARMEL 2 FIRST SESSION STAFF





he/him
Cabin Counselor
Newtown, PA

What's up! My name is Chase Behrend and I am from Newtown,
Pennsylvania. This summer will be my 8th summer and I will be working as
a cabin counselor. My favorite camp activities in no particular order are:
song session, color war, frolicking, and vibing with my closest friends.
Outside of camp I work as a teaching assistant at my local synagogue as
well as being a member on my youth group board. I love sports (GO
BIRDS!), having a good laugh, and spending quality time with family
including my dogs. I can already sense how magical this summer is going
to be and I can't wait to welcome you all home!



Noah Kales he/him Cabin Counselor Falls Church, VA Hello everyone! I'm Noah and I'll be one of your cabin counselors this summer. This will be my second summer on staff and my tenth summer at Harlam overall, stretching back to when I was a Carmel camper in 2015. I am from northern Virginia, but am currently studying at Oberlin College, where I am an undecided major (but it will be some combination of Psychology, Political Science, and Cinema Studies). At Oberlin, I'm a member of both Hillel and OC Democrats. My various interests and hobbies include history/politics, movies and TV, board games, crossword puzzles, and keeping up with current events. I can't wait to have an amazing summer!



he/him
Drama Specialist
Llanelli, Wales

Hi! I'm Kyle, I'm from Wales, and I can't wait to return to Harlam this year as a drama counselor again! When I'm not at camp, I work as a support worker for children with special needs and learning difficulties, as well as working in children's entertainment, running parties. When I'm not working, I take part in amature musicals and plays, and volunteer at a children's musical theatre group. I can't wait to be back at camp and to give the kids the best summer ever!



Asher Weston
he/him
Woodshop Specialist
San Francisco, CA

Hello! My name is Asher, and I'm super excited to teach woodworking at Camp Harlam this summer! I'm from San Francisco, and this will be my first year at Harlam— I met a group of current counselors at a youth group event earlier this year, and they had such an awesome group culture that I decided to work here over the summer. I'm going to be starting at Saint John's College in Santa Fe next school year, where I will be studying philosophy, Ancient Greek, and classical literature. I love to cook, swim, write, work out, and listen to music. I have prior experience in working with kids through my volunteer work at my synagogue's Sunday school. Some of my most formative experiences occurred at Jewish camps when I was a kid, and so I'm really excited to help contribute to giving other people the same wonderful memories that I got to have.

CARMEL 3 FIRST SESSION STAFF





Nora Eder she/her Cabin Counselor Newtown, PA Hi, my name is Nora Eder and I am from Newtown, Pennsylvania. I am graduating high school and will be going to the University of Delaware in the fall. During the school year, I volunteer at an elementary school for a 5th grade class, teach kindergarten in my religious school, serve as the president of my synagogue's youth group, and run my school's newspaper. I love playing pickleball, dancing, doing art, hanging out with my friends and sister (who also goes to camp!), cooking, and paddle boarding. I have been a camp counselor for three years, but this summer will be my first time working at Harlam. I am so excited to be a cabin counselor and I can't wait to meet everyone!



Ayala Lamdan*
she/her
Omanut Specialist
Ramat Gan, Israel

I am 21 years old and I live and breathe art. I've been painting and drawing for my whole life. I grew up around very religious people and learned a lot about Judaism. I also learned that I want to focus on my art and live with people that respect and support it. This has led me to meet a variety of people from every corner of Israel, and led me to take great interest in this program.



Zoe Rafills she/her Adventure Specialist Wanaka, New Zealand

Kia Ora! I'm super lucky to have grown up in beautiful Wanaka, New Zealand, where I'm surrounded by amazing outdoor activities like skiing, climbing, and hiking. During the year, I love to challenge myself through sports like climbing and skiing, as well as creative pursuits like digital design and drama. Last year, I was a house leader at Mount Aspiring College, where I co-led a quarter of the school—organising in-school challenges and activities and supporting new students as they settled in and throughout the year. I've also been babysitting for the past four years, currently I'm working as a housekeeper, and I also hold a Level 2 First Aid certificate and a Level 1 Ski Instructor qualification. I'm an outgoing and creative person who loves encouraging others and helping them tackle challenges. I'm super excited to bring my energy, leadership, and love for the outdoors to camp this summer!



Raya Sapherstein she/her Cabin Counselor Livingston, NJ Hi! I'm Raya (rhymes with papaya), and I'm from Livingston, New Jersey. This is my 10th summer at camp and my first year on staff as a cabin counselor, and I could not be more excited! In my free time, I enjoy performing and listening to music, volunteering in my local Jewish community, spending time with family and friends, and talking about camp! Some of my favorite camp activities include stargazing, the Zimriah during Maccabiah (Color War), and song session! I am an incoming freshman at Cornell University and plan to major in government and can't wait to get involved in Hillel there! I am so excited to meet everyone... THINK CAMP!



she/her
Cabin Counselor
Baltimore, MD

Hi, I am Ella from Baltimore, Maryland, and I am excited to be returning for my 8th year at camp and 1st year as a counselor! I am headed to Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina this fall. I enjoy watching and playing sports, especially basketball and lacrosse. I am looking forward to song sessions and Maccabiah as well as meeting everyone. I won't be homesick, but I will miss my two St. Bernards.

CARMEL 4 FIRST SESSION STAFF





Oskar Filippo
he/him
Waterfront Specialist
Lancaster, PA

Hey! My name is Oskar and this is my first summer at camp! I am a rising college freshman going into music education at Temple University and have played the violin for 10 years. I am a big fan of musical theater and movies - everything from LEGO Batman to Fiddler on the Roof, and most things in between. I resonate most with Alan from Barbie and Princess Buttercup from The Princess Bride. I can't wait for a great summer and to catch you all by the pool!



Zach Goldin
he/him
Cabin Counselor
Abington, PA

Hi! My name is Zach Goldin, and I am from Abington, PA. This will be my 11th summer at camp and my second year on staff as a cabin counselor! I just finished my freshman year at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, where I am majoring in communication arts with a pre-law track. I enjoy golfing, video games, playing basketball, and spending time with my friends. I also play the guitar! I cannot wait for another amazing summer at camp. I am looking forward to Shabbat song session, Rak Dan, and so much more. I am so excited to be back home!



Ezra Kelley
he/him
Omanut Specialist
Pittsburgh, PA

Hi! My name is Ezra, and I'm from Pittsburgh, PA. I'm a student at Michigan State, and I love listening to music and creating art. This summer, I'll be working as an Arts Specialist Counselor, and I can't wait to meet your kids and be part of their camp journey. It's my 9th summer at camp, and I'm especially excited to see the kids grow, learn, and have fun through art. I'm so looking forward to an amazing summer together!



he/him
Cabin Counselor
Wilmington, DE

Hi! I'm Elishai Robinson, from Wilmington, Delaware, and I'm excited to be back as a cabin counselor this summer. I spend my free time working at my synagogue teaching Hebrew to elementary and middle schoolers; and as the co-president of our synagogue's NFTY chapter, reviving the youth group and remodeling the youth lounge, creating a safe and welcoming space. This will be my tenth summer at camp. Last year I was a Carmel cabin CIT(counselor in training), and I love building relationships with each camper and watching them grow and enjoy their summer. During the school year I captain my school's mock trial team and play on its tennis team; next year I will go to college for pre-law. When I'm not at school I spend my time following sports, reading, listening to music, and spending time outdoors.



Nevo Kupfershmid he/him Tzofim Specialist Pardes Hanna-Karkur, Israel

My name is Nevo Kupfershmid. I'm from Israel, I'm 16 years old, and this is my first year in camp. I'm coming to camp as a Tzofim scout counselor, and I'm very excited to meet all the staff and come to camp.

CARMEL UNIT LEADERSHIP





Anna Mein she/her Supervisor Falkirk, Scotland Hi, my name is Anna, and I am from Falkirk, Scotland. I have spent the past four summers working at Harlam and have loved every minute. At camp, I have previously been the Waterfront Supervisor, and I am super excited to be taking on a new role as the Carmel Unit Head. Outside of camp, I am studying to become a primary teacher. I have also been working with Camp America, interviewing new international staff and helping them experience camp. I can't wait for a great summer with you all!



Maxwell "Shifty"
Levine
he/him
Assistant Supervisor
Rockville, MD

YO! My name is Max (a.k.a. Shifty at Harlam), and I am so pumped to be the Carmel Assistant Unit Head this summer! This will be my 12th summer at camp-- it feels like just yesterday I was in Carmel myself, tearing up my knuckles in the gaga pit. Currently, I am going into my senior year at the University of Vermont, finishing my degree in Secondary Education with an English concentration! I love everything outdoors, reading, being Jewish, and the New York Giants (and a lot more stuff that won't fit in this bio!). I am super excited to be with campers who are coming to Harlam for the first time! I love camp (if you could not tell), and I am going to try my absolute hardest to show how awesome it is to all campers, but especially my awesome Carmelians!!