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2009 SUMMER CAMP AT THE DEERING ESTATE

(MIAMI, May 5, 2009) – This summer, the Deering Estate at Cutler will offer the Deering Discovery Camp, Creative Eco-Art Camp, and Camp Ikana Okee (Sea & Land). There are five, ten-day sessions available from June 8th through August 14th and one, five-day session from August 17th through the 21st.

- **Deering Discovery Camp:** Children, ages 6-11, will learn about history, archeology, and nature by taking part in a series of hands on activities. Among the camp's activities are nature hikes, educational environmental projects, and participation in an exciting archeological dig along with other enrichment and recreational activities.
- **Creative Eco-Art Camp:** Children, ages 6-11, will explore a balance of fine and traditional craft art, and enrichment and recreational activities. The Creative Eco-Art Camp uses art students, teachers and Artists in Residence to engage campers in fun art-based activities such as drawing, painting, sculpture, and photography. The program makes use of the many advantages within the archeological, natural, and historic setting of the Estate, including interactive exhibits, our Artist Village, and technology lab.
- **Camp Ikana Okee (Sea & Land):** Children, ages 11 and up, will explore the wonders of the natural and marine world through hands on activities above, beside, and below the water's surface.

Camp hours are from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Early drop-off and late-pick up are available for an additional fee. Early drop off is from 7:30 am to 9:00 am and late pick up is from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. The cost of each camp is \$375 (ten-day session) or \$188 (five-day session). Please note there is a one-time \$10 annual camp registration fee. To register for Summer Camp at the Deering Estate, please call 305-235-1668 ext. 233.

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The Deering Estate at Cutler, a Miami-Dade County Park, is located at 16701 SW 72 Avenue in Miami. This 444-acre natural and archeological preserve and historic site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and serves as a center for education, culture and recreation. Historic house tours and natural area tours are offered daily with admission to the Estate. EcoAdventure Tours are also offered throughout the year for an additional fee. For more information on the Deering Estate's educational and cultural programs please visit www.deeringestate.org.

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