

## **Forbes Magazine names SPACE CAMP<sup>®</sup> to their exclusive list of fantasy experiences**

**HUNTSVILLE, AL** – Flying to the edge of space in a MiG fighter, taking the stage with a well-known rock star, or playing a few innings with the New York Yankees. These are just some of the fantasy camp experiences chosen by Forbes Magazine for a recent article entitled *Eight Places to Live Out Your Fantasies*.

Also making the list is Space Camp. Described in the article as “perhaps the most recognized fantasy camp in the world,” Space Camp was listed along with the Michael Jordan Flight School, where for \$17,500, Michael Jordan himself, along with other Hall of Famers, will teach you how to be more like Mike.

There were more economical adventures listed, like the Waves Surf School near Sydney, Australia, where for only \$499, you can live on the beach for 3 days in a remote national park learning to ride the big ones. Of course, you’ll need another \$1,400 for round-trip economy airfare from Los Angeles, \$5,300 if you travel business class.

“Space Camp offers an adult program that’s a little more down to earth, both in price and experience,” according to Larry Capps, CEO of the U.S. Space & Rocket Center<sup>®</sup>, home of Space Camp and Aviation Challenge<sup>®</sup>. “You won’t need special insurance to enjoy our programs, but we promise you it’ll be something you’ll remember for a long time,” he adds.

Forbes says the \$11 billion dollar fantasy camp industry offers everything from shark diving, to fighter-plane dog fighting, even a parachute jump over Mount Everest. Some of the experiences can cost in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Space Camp, with over 500,000 graduates, offers children and adults alike the chance to train like an astronaut, ultimately carrying out a simulated space shuttle mission. Programs for children, with separate programs for ages 9 through 18, are geared toward teamwork with hidden emphasis on math and science. Adult programs are geared more toward the experience of launch to landing. Additional programs are available for educators, corporate camp programs, and for children who are visually or aurally challenged.

“You don’t have to travel across the world to fly around the planet. We do that every day right here at Space Camp,” Capps says. And he predicts with the rising cost of gasoline will only increase the numbers of adventurers taking advantage of the all-inclusive Space Camp and Aviation Challenge experience.

For more information, visit [www.spacecamp.com](http://www.spacecamp.com) or call 1-800-63SPACE.

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