

Welcome to GPCP Summer Camp 2018!

Cat's Session I: Grant Park Zoo and the Circus Animals



Ms. Shaquira and Ms. Atai welcome you to Session I: Grant Park Zoo and the Circus Animals. I am so excited to explore our neighborhood's zoo and the magical story of the circus that broke down in our park and just never left. We will be exploring the concepts of empathy, home, and places for community to gather using the symbolism and joy of the circus.

Ms. Shaquira acquired her CDA Credentials in 2017. She has worked in Early Childhood Education for 10 years. She began working at GPCP in February and is very excited to continue working with the Cat's class this Summer!

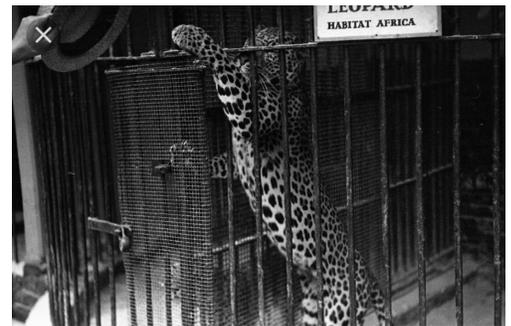


Ms. Atai has also recently acquired her CDA Credentials. She has been working this year as a Cats class educator at the Cabbagetown campus and is very excited about working with the Cat's class this Summer!

Declaration of Intent: The Tale of Two Towns

This summer we will investigate and uncover the tales of our two towns and the path that connects them. Through the process of encountering and interpreting old photos, current sights and folklore we will weave together theories, hypotheses, and imagination that will inspire the children's research and experimentation in pursuit of possibilities.

The next three weeks we will explore the Town of Grant Park. In 1889, a traveling circus broke down in Grant Park. The town decided to rescue the animals and give them a home in Grant Park. The original residents of the zoo included a black bear, a jaguar, a hyena, a gazelle, a Mexican hog, lionesses, monkeys and camels.



Reminders:

- ★ Bring a water bottle each day for your child. Water only please.
- ★ Make sure your child has extra labeled clothes on site.
- ★ Make sure your child wears comfortable closed toe shoes.
- ★ If your child is in diapers, please provide diapers and wipes for them each week.
- ★ WE ARE A **NUT FREE SCHOOL**; no nuts of any kind are allowed in camps.
- ★ Apply sunscreen and bug spray to your child before coming to school.