

# ASTRO ARCADE



THE DAWN COLLECTIVE

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# The Dawn Collective's Astro Arcade

## Welcome to the Light

The world is full of extraordinary experiences—music that moves your soul, art that shifts your perspective, moments that ignite the human spirit. Yet for too many, these vibrant landscapes remain out of reach. Not because of lack of desire, but because of barriers—physical, logistical, invisible walls that whisper, "this isn't for you."

The Dawn Collective exists to change that.

We are a beacon. A signal fire on the playa. A place that says: Here. This is your place. You are welcome. You belong.

In 2026, we're bringing Astro Arcade—a radically inclusive Space Age camp—to Burning Man. This isn't just a camp. It's a landmark. A haven. A community built by and for people who believe that extraordinary experiences should be accessible to all.

No exceptions. No conditions. **All means all.**



# What is Astro Arcade?

Astro Arcade is our 2026 theme camp: a Space Age-inspired camp where retro-futurism meets playa magic. Picture this: classic carnival arcade games reimagined for the desert—**skee-ball** lanes stretching across the dust, **basketball** shootouts under neon lights, **ring toss** with glowing hoops. Step up to the **softball challenge** and knock down bowling pins. Sink your shot in **cornhole**. Test your aim at the **dunk tank**. Bob for swag in a barrel of surprises.

Win tickets. Collect your prize at the **prize booth**—but instead of stuffed animals, you're taking home cold drinks, craft cocktails, or a shot of something that'll make the sunset even more spectacular.

This is accessible gaming at its finest. Wheelchair-friendly platforms. Games designed for all abilities. Immersive experiences where everyone can play, connect, and experience wonder.

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**We're not just providing access.**  
**We're cultivating presence**

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## Who We're Looking For

This is a participatory event. We need crew members to:

**Build the light.** Help us create a camp that welcomes everyone.

**Hold the space.** Staff shifts, run the arcade, keep the camp thriving.

**Stay till the end.** Teardown is non-negotiable. We all leave together.

If you're looking for a plug-and-play experience, this isn't your camp. But if you want to be part of something that matters—something that shows the world what radical inclusion looks like—**welcome home.**

# Camp Logistics

## Placement

We don't know yet. Burning Man will tell us in July. We're hoping for great placement, but we can't guarantee any specific location. Wherever we land, we'll make it shine.

## Camp Spaces

We'll have room for RVs and cars. Let us know your vehicle specs in advance so we can plan accordingly. Each camper gets a reserved spot, no matter when you arrive. Your space is waiting.

## Amenities

What we're bringing to the playa:

- Large common shade structure for gathering and respite
- Kitchen tent with stoves, grill, microwave, pots, silverware, sink
- 24-hour solar power and lighting provided by camp
- Phone charging station (because even though you're at the playa you need to **capture that sunrise**)
- Space Age lounge for relaxation and connection
- **Astro Arcade**: carnival games reimagined—ring toss, basketball, skee-ball, and more, with prizes that matter (cold drinks, booze, surprises)
- Starlink internet (price upon request)
- Self-serve shower (details below)
- Standard porta-potties for camp
- Wood flooring all throughout camp for wheelchair accessibility
- Disabled shuttle car (decorated with Space Age art)

## For disabled crew members:

- Private ADA-compliant porta-potty
- Private ADA showers



## **Kitchen Etiquette**

There is **no meal plan**. Be radically self-reliant. Bring all the food you need for the week. The kitchen is yours to use—cook, store, prepare—but clean up after yourself. Wash your dishes. Leave no trace. This is a shared space. Respect it like you'd respect your own home.

## **Camp Shower**

Self-serve shower available. You heat your own water (2-gallon limit per shower). Simple, efficient, refreshing.

## **Camp Fees**

**Camp fee:** \$850 per person

**Electricity fee:** \$750 per person

**Internet fee:** \$100 per person

**Grey water and fresh water pump-out service:** \$300 per person

## **Refundable deposit**

\$100 will be refunded after you complete your shift and teardown obligations and leave your campsite clean.

## **RV water service**

Two scheduled deliveries will be available during the week for RV tank emptying and fresh water filling. RV owners can opt in and pay vendors directly in cash at time of service.

## **Payment**

**Bank transfer, Zelle, Paypal.** Ask for Zelle details via WhatsApp.

**Account name: Space Aged Accessibility Inc.**

Routing number: 121000358

Account number: 325210848203



## Refund Policy

- Full refund (minus 20% admin fee) if you cancel **12+ weeks before the event.**
- **No refunds** if you cancel less than 12 weeks out. Your fees are already spent on infrastructure, permits, and supplies.
- **Disclaimer:** If Burning Man is canceled due to COVID, disaster, act of god, etc., no refunds available.

## Participation Requirements

### Shifts

Every crew member works **two 3-4 hour shifts** during the week. These shifts keep the camp running and the arcade thriving.

Shifts may include:

- MOOP patrol (keeping our camp pristine)
- Kitchen cleanup
- Garbage and recycling
- Staffing Astro Arcade (running games, handing out prizes, spreading joy)

A shift sign-up will be available pre-burn. If you don't sign up, shifts will be assigned. **Show up. Do your part. Be the light.**

### Teardown (Non-Negotiable)

**Everyone helps with teardown. No exceptions.**

This is where the magic of community really shines. We built it together. We break it down together.

**Saturday teardown:** Starts at 10am. Early teardown shift available (sign up early—limited spots).

**Sunday teardown:** Starts at 11am. We work till we're done.



Check in with leadership before and after your teardown shift. If you're not on the list, you didn't show up or didn't finish. Tearing down your own campsite doesn't count as helping the camp.

**Community breakfast** will be provided Sunday morning during teardown. This is one of the best meals of the week. If you want to help cook breakfast as your shift, let us know—it's a joy.

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**Everyone brings their leftover eggs, bread, pasta, cheese, vegetables, whatever's left in the cooler. We throw it all together and make something beautiful. Breakfast burritos. Scrambles. Pancakes. Pure playa alchemy.**

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### **Early Arrival & Setup**

We'll be on playa **a week early** setting up camp. Early entry passes are available for those who want to help. It's one of the best times at Burning Man—laid back, intimate, magical. The playa before the crowds. The quiet before the storm.

Early passes are awarded based on arrival day.

**Tuesday/Wednesday arrivals get priority.** If you get a pass, you're expected to show up that day and help. This isn't a "beat the line" pass—it's a work commitment. Come ready to build.

## Trash & Recycling

**Pack it in, pack it out.** Each camper must take out **two trash bags** from the arcade or kitchen. Burner Bus riders take out **one bag**. Strong bags and twine will be provided. Plan to make room in or on your vehicle. There are trash drop-offs around Gerlach for \$10/bag.

**Do not ask us to take your dusty rug, broken bike, or leftover gear.** We can't and won't. Leave no trace means *your* trace, not ours.

## Not Responsible

Burning Man is inherently dangerous. The playa is unforgiving. Dust storms. Extreme heat. The unexpected.

The Dawn Collective has taken great care to provide for crew safety, but by camping with us, **you agree not to hold camp leadership liable for any loss, injury, or death.** Everyone is presumed to have read this manifesto and agreed to all its provisions.

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*'Take care of yourself.  
Take care of each other.  
That's the deal'*

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## Quick Review

### Fees

- Camp fee: \$850/person
- Electricity fee: \$750/person
- Grey water and fresh water pump-out service: \$300/person
- \$100 refundable upon completion of obligations and clean campsite
- RV water service: Optional, pay vendors directly in cash

### Commitments

- Two shifts during the week (3-4 hours each)
- Teardown required: Saturday or Sunday (or both)
- Bring your own food
- Pack out two trash bags per vehicle (one for Burner Bus riders)

### Perks

Early arrival passes available for setup help and all power provided—no personal generators allowed

### Rules

No refunds less than 12 weeks before the event and violators of camp rules will not be invited back



## Ready to be the Light?

If you're ready to be part of something extraordinary—to build a beacon of inclusion on the playa—**we want you.**

### Next steps

1. Confirm your interest and vehicle/camping setup details
2. Pay the fees: camp (\$850), electricity (\$750), water (\$300)
3. Sign up for shifts once the schedule is live
4. Show up ready to work, play, and light the way

**Questions?** Contact camp leadership directly. WhatsApp preferred for detailed conversations—email us your number or send a WhatsApp to **+1 (510) 410-3558.**

**The Dawn Collective. Astro Arcade. Burning Man 2026.**

*Be the light. Come find your people.*

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