

Programs are the heart of NFTY, and each one needs a clear purpose and to be engaging and exciting. My program idea is a combination mixer and full length program. This program would be perfect for an event with ample outdoor nature space, such as our favorite 4H center for Winter Kallah, or our usual Spring Kallah home of Camp Harlam. The program would start with small groups of around 15 people with a designated group leader. This would give many leadership opportunities to MARites. These small groups would be led by their GL on a short nature walk. The GL would ask mixer questions as they go, encouraging a fun and relaxed conversation between MARites. Participants would be instructed to take one piece of nature (that's absence won't harm the ecosystem), such as a rock, stick, or super cool leaf. When all groups get back to a central meeting location, all participants will be split into new groups of equal size. With their collected materials they will create a sculpture that connects to a common theme. The theme could be about themselves, focusing more on the mixer side in their new groups. Each group would then present their creations to the region for all to enjoy.