

## Volunteer Notes

Enchanted Trail is Audubon Arizona's annual fall festival. The event gives visitors a greater appreciation for Arizona's nocturnal (night-active) wildlife through three guided trail stations, a night hike, live wildlife, mask making, and more. This year's focal animals are the <u>North American Beaver</u>, the <u>Mexican Free-tailed Bat</u>, and the <u>Barn Owl</u>.

Each young participant will be given an **Enchanted Trail trail guide.** This trail guide provides them with a map of the event and assigns them one of the three focal animals (indicated by a colored sticker). To discover their mystery animal's identity, they will collect clues about where there animal lives, what it eats, and how it moves, at the three guided trail stations (Bat Cave, Critter Café, and Mystery Movement). These clues can be found in the color-coded frames at each of these stations.

Once they've identified their mystery animal, participants can stay and enjoy our night hike, view live wildlife including owls, snakes, and scorpions, meet and learn from local scientists, get some food, and make a nocturnal animal mask inside the center - just in time for Halloween!

## **Trail Rovers:**

As a rover, it is your job to roam the Enchanted Trail and Audubon Center and help Audubon staff make sure everything runs smoothly. With nearly 1,000 visitors coming through each night, problems are bound to arise! As you walk around, check the following:

- Are all volunteers/exhibitors comfortable and happy? Do they know they can get food and drinks in the Staff Only hallway? Do they need water? A wagon will circulate the event with snacks and drinks for volunteers as well.
- Do all volunteers understand their assignments?
- Do any volunteers/exhibitors need a break?
- Do all stations/exhibits have all needed materials?
- Are visitors on the trail backing up or bottlenecking at any point?
- Are there any hazards on the trail or in the Center? (debris, spills, loose cords, etc.)
- Are visitors having a good time? Do they seem confused about what to do at any point on the trail?

What to do if you encounter a problem:

- If it is a problem you can solve on your own without staff help, go for it!
- If it is a problem you cannot solve on your own, report to the area leader (list below)
- If you and the area leader cannot solve the problem, or if you cannot find the area leader, find Cathy Wise.

## Area Leaders:

Night Hike: Emily Martell	Classroom: Audubon Education Intern	Live Wildlife: Daniel Hite
Trail Stations: Steve Prager	Food Concessions: Shannon Maloney	Event Logistics: Cathy Wise

## Your area leader is: Cathy Wise