

October 5th and 6th, 2018

5:30-8:00pm

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 North American Beaver, the Mexican Free-tailed Bat, and the Barn Owl.**

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 their 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!

Welcome Station:

The welcome table is the first station visitors will encounter on the Enchanted Trail. They will likely have lots of questions!

- Give each CHILD one Enchanted Trail trail guide, a pencil, and a blacklight. Explain the trail guide contains a map of the event and three questions that will help them discover which of the Enchanted Trail animals they are. At the end of the trail, visitors will find a mask-making station where they can get into character by creating an animal mask.
- Advise children to search for clues that are framed in the same color as the sticker on their trail guide.
- Advise visitors not to miss out on our moth viewing station and night hikes! The moth viewing and welcome station for the night hikes are both at the northwest corner of the event (show them on their map if needed).
- Send visitors to the first station, the Bat Cave, where they will learn where their mystery animal lives.
- Occasionally, you will need to replenish your supply of blacklights and pencils. They are collected at the end of the Mystery Movement station - either head over to pick them up or request that one of the floaters get them for you (give them some warning!).
- Spanish speakers are extremely valuable in this position, as many of our visitors are also Spanish speakers or bilingual.

Your area leader is: Cathy Wise