

October 20 & 21, 2017 5:30-8:00pm

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>Striped Skunk</u>, the <u>Cave Myotis</u> (bat), and the <u>Great-horned 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 noc-turnal animal mask inside the center - just in time for Halloween!

You will be assisting with the **Night Hike** - <u>A 20 to 25 minute self-guided walk through 5 stations</u> along the trails north of the Audubon Center/South of the Salt River. Each station is focused on different nocturnal (night-active) wildlife native to Arizona (Snakes, Coyote and Ringtail, Badger and Skunk, Owls, and the Toad Farm!) The trail runs in a loop - ending where it begins.

Night Hike Assistant:

You will be serving as a Assistant for the Enchanted Trail night hike. In this position, you will be helping the Night Hike Greeters and Station Leaders. Your primary roles will be to <u>provide instructions</u>, <u>keep groups</u> <u>organized</u> and close to the Night Hike Leaders when stopped, and <u>ensure that ALL FLASHLIGHTS ARE</u> <u>COLLECTED</u>.

- Be prepared with sturdy footwear, a powerful and reliable flashlight, and a cell phone.
- Walk the trail to make sure that everything is going smoothly (take turns, do NOT leave the greeter without an assistant!).
- Collect all flashlights as visitors complete the hike and return them to the Night Hike Greeters.
- If you notice traffic jams, advise the Night Hike Leaders to either lengthen or shorten their station's experience.
- Each group should have at least one flashlight. If they don't, provide them with one. Always have a few flashlights on hand as Night Hike Leaders may send people your way.
- Answer questions as appropriate. Do not hesitate to direct participants to seek an expert at one of Enchanted Trail's live animal exhibits!
- Direct participants to stay on the trails as they travel from station to station.
- Be sure to warmly thank all participants for coming to Enchanted Trail!

THANK YOU for volunteering at this year's Enchanted Trail!