

Enchanted Trail is Audubon Arizona's annual fall festival. The event is intended to give visitors a greater appreciation for Arizona's nocturnal (night-active) wildlife through educational activities, live wildlife, and crafts. This year's focal animals are the <u>Coyote</u>, the <u>Pallid Bat</u>, and the <u>Western Screech-Owl</u>.

Each young participant will be given an Enchanted Trail Passport that will assign them one of the three focal animals (each animal corresponds to a sticker color). There are three questions in the passports - by answering them, participants will learn which animal they are!

You will be assisting with the **Night Hike** - <u>A 20 to 25 minute self-guided walk through 6 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 & Ringtail, Badger & Skunk, Owls, Insects & Arachnids and the Toad Farm!) The trail runs in a loop - ending where it begins.

Night Hike Station Leader:

You will be serving as a Station Leader for the Enchanted Trail night hike. In this position, you will greet and educate visitors as they reach your assigned Night Hike Station. The purpose of the night-hike It is to introduce participants to Arizona's nocturnal wildlife, and it's your job to provide a "critter encounter" at your assigned station.

As a Night Hike Station Leader, you will need to be positive, proactive, outgoing, able to manage time, able to give instructions, and knowledgeable about nocturnal critters. (Ask for the Night Hike Notes!)

- Be prepared with sturdy footwear, a powerful and reliable flashlight, a vest, and a cell phone.
- Greet participants as they arrive.
- Each group should have at least one flashlight. If they don't, advise them to find a Night Hike Assistant or Greeter.
- Create a "discovery moment" with your station's props.
- Answer questions as appropriate. Do not hesitate to direct participants to seek an expert at one of Enchanted Trail's live animal exhibits!
- Remember, the hike should take about <u>20 to 25 minutes</u>, so manage your time accordingly.
- Direct participants to the next station and remind them to stay on the trails.
- Be sure to warmly thank all participants for coming to Enchanted Trail!

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