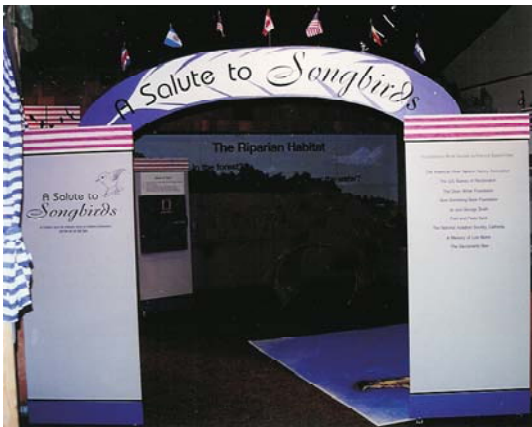




# Effie Yeaw Nature Center

## *A Salute to Songbirds*



This informative and interactive exhibit on America's fastest growing outdoor interest delights and educates visitors while addressing the challenges facing migratory songbirds and what individuals can do to help them.

### **EDUCATIONAL AND ATTRACTIVE**

Colorful, informative panels give visitors fascinating, accurate information accompanied by beautiful photographs, paintings and drawings. The information covers topics such as:

- Feathered Ambassadors - facts about songbird migration and international efforts aimed at understanding the reasons for declining bird populations
- Song & Dance - why birds sing and how they learn
- Nest Parasites and Predators - How cowbird nestling impostors and predators threaten songbirds
- Create a Habitat - How you can create a beautiful area that attracts, feeds and shelters songbirds
- Pet Cats & Songbirds - how to keep them both safe
- How Many Birds in a Flock? - How scientists count birds and how we know about declining numbers
- Look, A Baby Bird - when does it need to be rescued?
- What is a Songbird - learn the determining characteristics
- Songbird Cafe - How to choose coffee that preserves songbird habitat

### **INTERACTIVE**

Hands-on, multi-sensory activities involve visitors in the experience, address a variety of learning styles and are engaging for all ages:

- Name That Tune - button-activated bird song recordings
- Chest of Nests - drawers pull out to reveal labeled bird's nests
- Giant Bird's Nest complete with "eggs" - a place to rest or role-play like a baby bird
- Parabolic mic - use the mic to find the bird songs and see how birds can be counted by sound
- Keyboard allows visitors to play piano notes and bird song
- Interactive birdwatching computer game
- Wheel of flight - spin it and see how the bird flies
- Feather Magic - use light to make the colors disappear and reappear, demonstrating structural vs. pigment colors

### **ATTRACTIVE SUBJECT**

Birdwatching is America's fastest growing sport. Each year, 65 million people spend an estimated \$9 billion to watch and feed birds. The National Wildlife Refuge system is visited by 30 million people annually.

This fine exhibit is available for loan to visitor's centers and museums for just \$2,925 for a three-month minimum time period.