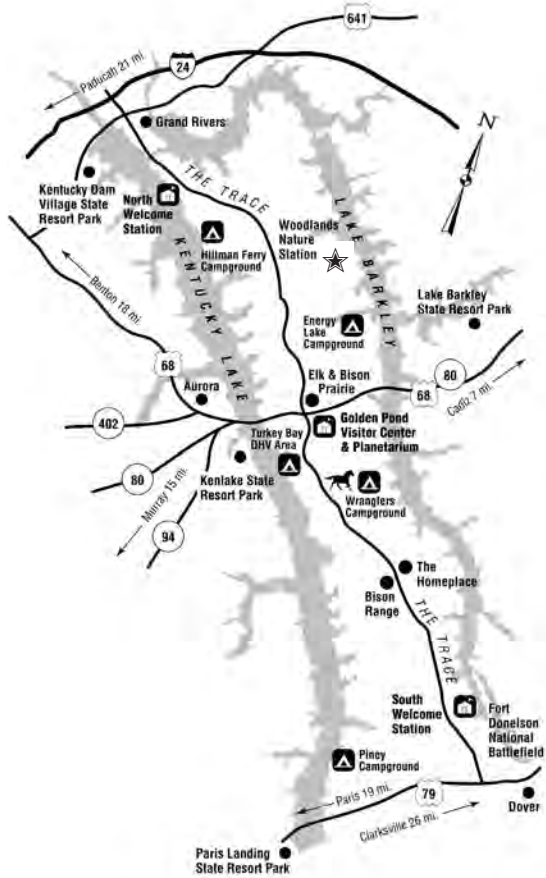




Nature Station's Hummingbird Festival 2011 August 6 & 7



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Dinner with the Hummingbirds
6-8pm
(\$20, pre-registration required - see inside)

Saturday & Sunday, August 6 & 7
Sat., 9am-4pm and Sun., 10am-4pm
\$3 ages 5-12 \$5 ages 13-adult

COME OUTSIDE AND PLAY!

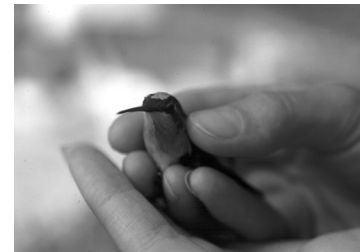
Welcome to Hummingbird Festival 2011 “Invite Wildlife Into Your Backyard”

August is the peak season to see hummingbirds at the Nature Station in Land Between The Lakes. Hundreds of ruby-throated hummingbirds visit our native gardens and fill up at our feeders in preparation for their long migration to Central America. Learn about hummingbirds and other fascinating backyard creatures all weekend at the Nature Station. Stop by our informative exhibits, witness hummingbird banding demonstrations, participate in fun, educational activities, and attend programs that highlight native animals and plants.



Ongoing Activities:

- Observe hummingbird banding demonstrations
- Check out a honeybee observation hive
- Discover how biologists study migratory birds
- Purchase native plants for your home garden
- Pick up information about attracting wildlife into your backyard
- View beautiful artwork and photographs by local artists
- Visit the “Hummingbird Gift Store” to purchase feeders, shade-grown coffee, and more
- See Nature Station’s resident wildlife including a bald eagle, bobcat, and snakes
- Stop by Nature Station Picnic Pavilion to order lunch from Aurora Bar-B-Que



For the Kids:

- Hummingbird Migration Game
- Hummingbird Obstacle Course
- Critter Craft Time
- Tree Cavity Cornhole
- Face-painting
- Bird Banding for Kids

Plant Native! Wildflower Sale:

Throughout Hummingbird Festival, the Nature Station will be hosting a native plant sale. Native plants are adapted to local conditions, so they require less water and care, attract wildlife, increase biodiversity, and enhance the beauty of your yard. Choose from a variety of our showiest native flowers.



Schedule of Events

Friday, August 5

Dinner with the Hummingbirds

6-8pm. Registration limited. Reservations and full deposits required. Call 270-924-2020 to reserve your space and for more information. \$20 per person.

Have you ever dined outside while surrounded by dozens of hummingbirds? Enjoy a tasty catered dinner as you relax amidst the gardens and watch these flying jewels have a feeding frenzy. Licensed hummingbird bander Brainard Palmer-Ball will also be on hand to demonstrate the process of banding hummingbirds.

Saturday & Sunday, August 6 & 7

Bird Banding Demos & Release

Hummingbird banding demonstrations & releases will take place throughout each day. Don't miss this opportunity to see these ruby gems up close.

Other Featured Programs

Saturday

- 10:30 Hummingbirds 101
- 11:30 Migration Miracles
- 12:30 Hummingbirds for Kids
- 1:30 Hummingbirds 101
- 2:30 Beginners Nature Photography: Composition
- 3:30 The Power of Pollinators

Sunday

- 11:30 Hummingbirds 101
- 12:30 Hummingbird Folklore
- 1:30 Beginners Nature Photography: Composition
- 2:30 Hummingbirds 101
- 3:30 Gardening for Hummingbirds and Butterflies

Upcoming Events at Nature Station

- Sep. 3-5 Summer Finale
- Oct. 1 Nature Arts Day
- Oct. 1 Campfire Tales
- Oct. 22 Howl-O-Ween
- Nov. 5 Fall Frolic

Hummingbird Festival Special Guests



Hummingbird Banders Brainard Palmer-Ball, Jr. and Mark Monroe

Brainard Palmer-Ball Jr. and Mark Monroe have been banding hummingbirds as part of the Hummer/Bird Study Group banding network since 2005. They travel around the state documenting the presence of rare species, banding Ruby-throated Hummingbirds during the peak of fall migration, and participating in banding demonstrations and bird festivals. Brainard spent his career as a Terrestrial Vertebrate Zoologist with the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission (1985-2008). He is also the author of *The Kentucky Breeding Bird Atlas* (1996) and *The Annotated Checklist of the Birds of Kentucky* (2003). Mark has been banding birds for more than 30 years and has been a Master Bander since the mid-1990s.



Houston-Stewart County (TN) Beekeeper's Association

Linda Priddy and Eddie Webb are both active members of the Houston-Stewart County Beekeeper's Association, an affiliate of the TN Beekeeper's Association. Eddie has been beekeeping for 10 years and Linda for 2 years. The mission of the association is to share information and help promote the craft of beekeeping in a rural Tennessee setting. For more information, visit <http://houston-stewartcountybeekeepers.com>.



Bluebird Experts Bob and Judy Peak

Bob and Judy Peak have managed Land Between The Lakes NRA bluebird nestboxes for the past 22 years, recording over 20,000 fledged baby bluebirds from LBL nestboxes. They will be available throughout the weekend to answer your eastern bluebird questions and help you create a perfect habitat to bring bluebirds into your back yard.



Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge

The Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge (TNWR), located on Kentucky Lake in northwest TN, encompasses over 51,000 acres. It is managed as an important resting and feeding area for wintering waterfowl. The refuge also provides habitat for numerous resident wildlife species and other migratory birds. During this festival, TNWR biologists will show children how they net, capture, and band migratory birds using paper birds. For more information on TNWR, visit <http://www.fws.gov/tennesseerefuge/>.



Wildlife Artist J. L. (Lennie) Fottrell

Lennie Fottrell is a self-taught Nashville, Tennessee artist who brings the natural world to life with pen, pencil, and watercolors. Drawing animals from life, he captures the essence of an animal in quick sketches and later adds the sometimes elusive feeling of life to his more detailed works. Lennie likes to use LBL and Nature Station animals as subjects. Preview Lennie's artwork, at <http://www.jlfottrell.com/>.



Nature Photographer Teresa Gemeinhardt

Teresa Gemeinhardt is an art educator and portrait photographer. Recently she has focused on creating images for exhibition. Seven years ago, Teresa began photographing hummingbirds for a new exhibit. In 2008, Teresa won first prize in the "Friends of LBL" 25th Anniversary Photography Competition with the photograph entitled "Buzz Off!"