

January 28 & 29, 2012


Weekend Activity Schedule
Bald Eagle Watch



artwork by Tim Lindenbaum

A Celebration of Nature

FREE ADMISSION

**ILLINOIS
AUDUBON
SOCIETY** 

Helping Preserve Illinois Flora and Fauna Since 1897

**Bald Eagle Watch is presented by the
Illinois Audubon Society
in partnership with:**

US Army Corps of Engineers
Starved Rock Foundation
Starved Rock Audubon
Starved Rock Lodge

Illinois Department of Natural Resources

BALD EAGLE FACTS

The American bald eagle stands up to 3 feet tall with a wingspan of 7-8 feet. Although male and female eagles share the same plumage, females, as in most birds of prey, are somewhat larger than males.

The adult birds are characterized by their white head and tail and yellow beak and eyes. Immature birds exhibit a brownish plumage with varying degrees of white "blotching". They will not attain the white head and tail until they reach maturity at 4-5 years of age.

Bald eagles are found **only in North America**. Most of the birds seen wintering along the Illinois River come from up north — Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Canada. They will start the journey back to their breeding grounds by mid-March and return once again to the Illinois River Valley by late October to early November.

PLEASE NOTE: Bald eagles are protected by law and should not be disturbed. Please keep your distance and do not cause an eagle to fly from its perch.

For information on eagle activity at Starved Rock Lock & Dam call the Illinois Waterway Visitor Center at 815.667.4054

For event information call
Illinois Audubon Society at 217.544.BIRD
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Activities at Starved Rock Lodge

Raptor Awareness Program

with a Live Bald Eagle presented by
WORLD BIRD SANCTUARY
St. Louis, MO

10:00 • NOON • 2:00 • 4:00

NO ADMISSION FEE

HOWEVER TICKETS ARE REQUIRED

Visit Illinois Audubon Society's booth to pick
up your free tickets before each show

Programs

(LaSalle Room)

11:00 am - The Art of Falconry

Rich Escutia, Master Falconer

Learn about the history of falconry and how
falconers today participate in this ancient
sport. Rich will be accompanied by three of
his amazing falconry birds.

1:00 pm - Stories from the River Valley

Steve Seaborn, Illinois Valley Historian
Immigrants came to this area of the river
valley for different reasons. Each contributed
something unique and lasting. Learn about
them as Steve brings their characters and
stories to life.

Children's Activities in the Great Hall

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Starved Rock State Park Visitor Center

Children's Activities, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Take the Trolley

All-Day Armband - \$1.00

Park and ride the Trolley between Starved
Rock Lodge, Starved Rock Visitor Center and
the Illinois Waterway Visitor Center



Don't miss a chance to have
your picture taken with
"Sam" the Bald Eagle mascot
during your visit to the
Starved Rock Lodge

Starved Rock Lodge Exhibitors

Friends of the Fox River

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Illinois Department of Natural Resources

Illinois River National Wildlife & Fish Refuges

Illinois River Road National Scenic Byway

LaSalle County Master Gardeners/Naturalists

Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie

Openlands

The Conservation Foundation

The Wetlands Initiative

Trees Forever

Wildlife Prairie State Park

Activities at Illinois Waterway Visitor Center (Lock & Dam)

Illinois Birds of Prey

Natural History and Live Demonstration
presented by

ILLINOIS RAPTOR CENTER

Decatur, IL

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High Powered Scopes

Eagle viewing opportunities with Starved
Rock Audubon Society members on hand to
answer all your eagle questions.

Native American Dancer

11:00 am, 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm

Face Painting

10:00 am to 4:30 pm

Suet Feeder Make-n-Take

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Take a treat home for your feathered
friends. Learn how to make a simple feeder
that will attract birds to your backyard

Food Available

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Stop by and fuel up while you visit