

# Welcome to the





## Directions

### From North MoPac:

- Exit Rollingwood / 2244
- Take the turn around at 2244 (Bee Cave Rd.)

### From South MoPac:

- Exit 2244 toward Rollingwood / Westlake Hills

### After Exiting:

- Stay on frontage road which will turn into Barton Springs Road
- Turn Left onto Stratford Dr. immediately after Zilker Botanical Garden
- Continue on Stratford
- Parking is under the MoPac (Loop 1) bridge





Safe drop-off for students and teachers at Entrance Trailhead



Exploration begins on the trail to check-in at the Visitor's Pavilion





1. Come down steps to the Visitor's Pavilion



2. Line up by class



3. Send one teacher to check-in group



## In the Visitor's Pavilion

1. Field trip check-in
2. Restrooms
3. Water fountain



**2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade**

- **1.5 hour program**
- **3 stations**
- **Indoors and Outdoors**  
(Please dress appropriately for the weather)

**Stations**

**Bird Characteristics  
Hands-on Discovery  
Birds and Binoculars**

2nd grade TEKS: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.9, 2.10

3rd grade TEKS: 3.1, 3.2, 3.9, 3.10



# Owls and Other Birds

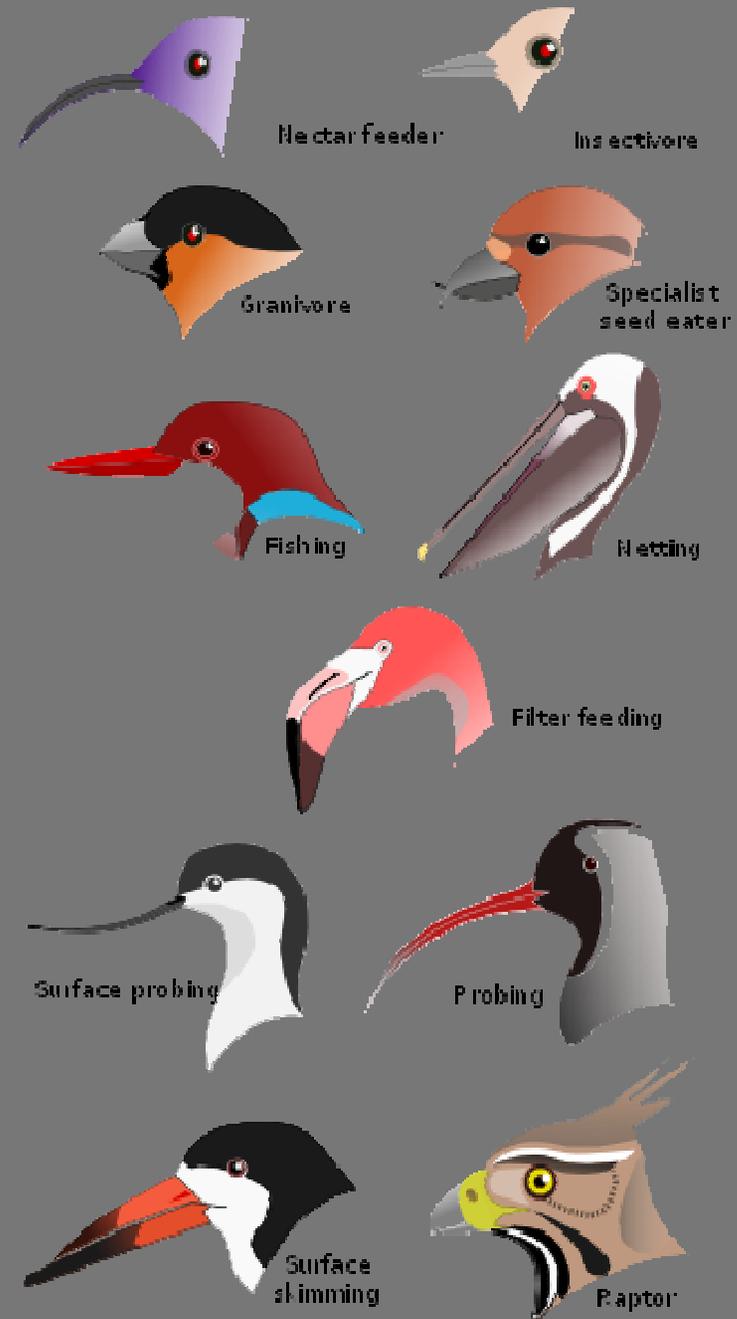
# Bird Characteristic Station



- Compare a live owl to a live quail or dove
- Explore bird adaptations that are necessary for survival
- Discuss bird food chains
- Learn safety procedures for encountering injured birds
- Investigate nests, feathers and egg shapes

# Hands-on Discovery Station

- Visit bird characteristic stations
- Explore how beaks allow birds to survive in different environments
- Compare the weight of a bird bone and a mammal bone
- Use magnifiers to discover characteristics of feathers



A young boy with dark hair is shown in profile, looking through a pair of black binoculars. He is wearing a white long-sleeved shirt with green and blue horizontal stripes. The background is a natural outdoor setting with trees and a body of water, suggesting a park or nature reserve. The lighting is bright, indicating it might be daytime.

# **Birds and Binoculars Station**

- **Hike to Birds of Prey enclosures**
- **Observe birds using binoculars**
- **Compare bird behaviors**



There is plenty to do before or after your program



# Hands-On Naturalist's Trade Counter



Come in and explore!



## More Exhibits

1. Animal Enclosures



2. The Pond



3. The Dino Pit Exhibit





## Places to Explore

1. The Zilker Nature Preserve



2. Birds of Prey Enclosures



3. Small Wonders Exhibit





Be sure to visit the ANSC resident wildlife before you leave

Thanks for coming





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