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News Release

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Art Museum, Nature Center Offer Bird Activities

In conjunction with an exhibit by Missouri bird artist David Plank at the Springfield Art Museum, the Missouri Department of Conservation's Springfield Conservation Nature Center is hosting a series of activities for bird lovers at the Art Museum, located at 1111 W. Brookside.

Tuesday, March 26
   Attracting Birds to your Backyard, 10 a.m. - noon
   Learn how to create a backyard buffet for birds in your yard.

Tuesday, April 9
   Identifying Birds by Song, 10 a.m. - noon
   Learn how to identify common birds by song.

Tuesday, May 21
   Bird Nests and Eggs, 10 a.m. - noon
   Discover how birds construct their nests and what materials they use.

The David Plank exhibit includes watercolors and drawings and honors and celebrates Plank's passion and dedication to his favorite subject, birds of the Ozarks. About 60 drawings and watercolors from the Museum's permanent collection will be on view in addition to 13 more recent watercolors on loan from the artist.

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