

## Help marsh and prairie restoration

*'Bugs and Critters' After Hours event and a special night for Friends*



# Audubon

## Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary



Learn more about our vital work restoring marshes and prairies

Sanctuary Director Jason Lauritsen will be discussing our vital mission of restoring marshes and prairies at the [Lunch & Learn](#) this Friday, November 9. Three months after we completed the first phase of a 100-acre



restoration project in Corkscrew's expansive marsh, Lauritsen checked in on the progress. What he saw brought a smile to his face. [Read about this important work](#) made possible thanks to generous gifts from Coca-Cola, Sea World and others.

[Donate to help continue this work](#)

After Hours evening features 'Bugs and Critters of the Swamp'



Experience Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary after dark on Friday, November 16, when our doors will remain open past the normal 5:30 p.m. closing time. Everyone will enjoy live music, strolling the boardwalk at night, interactive displays, and much more to see and do. At 5:30 p.m., Becky Speer of the Naples Preserve will share tales of "Bugs and Critters of the Swamp" during a special presentation in the Blair Audubon Visitor Center Classroom. Adult admission to After Hours for the general public is \$14.

[Read more on our website](#)

### Special thank-you event for Friends of Corkscrew only

As always, After Hours is free for Friends of Corkscrew members, and this event also includes an open house for Friends members only from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Discovery Center, with a special presentation, drinks and appetizers. Bring your Friends membership card for exclusive admission to the event and receive a one-night-only 20 percent discount in the Nature Store to start your holiday shopping.

[Become a Friends of Corkscrew Member](#)

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### Jean McCollom honored as Audubon Florida's Volunteer of the Year



Volunteer Jean McCollom

Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary volunteer  
Jean McCollom was honored as Audubon

Florida's Volunteer of the Year at this year's Audubon Assembly, the annual gathering of the state's Audubon chapters and other conservation leaders. "Jean has made a substantial difference at Corkscrew and throughout the state this past year in championing restoration, science and land management priorities," said Director Jason Lauritsen of Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary, who nominated her and presented the award.

[Read more on our website](#)

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### Nest egg strategies for your legacy seminar on December 11

Please join us for an information-sharing seminar on legacy gift planning strategies. Hear expert advice about current and future tax avoidance and gifting strategies. Be a part of Audubon's legacy of protecting Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary and the important role Corkscrew plays in sustaining healthy wildlife and water for future generations.



Tuesday, December 11, 2018  
8:30 to 10 a.m.

1110 Pine Ridge Road, Suite 200, Naples, FL 34108  
Community Foundation of Collier County

[Click here to register](#)  
[Read more on our website](#)

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Meet artist Tim Parker in the Gallery Café on November 23

Here's your chance to meet artist Tim Parker, whose artwork is on display in the Gallery Café inside the Blair Audubon Visitor Center through the end of this month. Parker, owner of Art2D Gallery/Studio in Naples, will be in the Gallery Café from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, November 23. He specializes in figurative abstracts in oil, acrylic and mixed media on canvas. Parker is the first of four artists whose works are being shown during the 2018-19 Gallery Café Artists Series. A display of Tara Funk Grim's artwork opens December 1. All of the artwork on display is for sale and proceeds benefit Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary.



Twin Egrets by Tim Parker

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## Adventure into the swamp on a beginner or advanced walk



Experience the majestic beauty and serenity of the ancient bald cypress forest on one of our swamp walks, offered at beginner and advanced levels. Guests will leave the boardwalk and walk through the water as your guides teach you about the watershed, the forest, plants such as rare orchids, other wildflowers, shrubs and trees, bromeliads and ferns, birds and other wildlife.

[Read more on our website](#)

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Upcoming events at Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary

**Ancient Forest Tour on November 15**

[For details and to sign up, click here](#)

**Swamp Meditation on December 1 and first Saturday of every month**

[For details and to sign up, click here](#)

**Early Birding Walk on December 4**

[For details and to sign up, click here](#)

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**Become a "Friends of Corkscrew" Member**

Enjoy free admission, discounts on most tours, 10 percent discount in the Nature Store, and more, while supporting the conservation mission of Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary.

[Learn more and sign up here](#)

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Audubon's Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary comprises 13,000 acres of sensitive land owned and protected by the National Audubon Society since 1954. Its renowned 2.25-mile boardwalk winds through the world's largest remaining bald cypress forest. Corkscrew is Southwest Florida's premier outdoor environmental learning center, a Ramsar Wetland of International Importance, an Important Birding Area and a Gateway to the Florida Birding Trail. The Sanctuary is located just northeast of Naples, 15 miles from I-75 off Immokalee Road (Exit 111).

- 2.25 mile nature boardwalk

- Old-growth bald cypress forest
- Spectacular nature and wildlife viewing
- Important Birding Area
- Complimentary guided boardwalk tours (with admission)
- Schedule of visitor events
- Nature Store with fair trade and artisan items
- Gallery Café
- Discovery Center with children and family learning opportunities
- Artist gallery
- Audubon science and research center on 13,000 acres of pristine Western Everglades

Open daily 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Last admission to the boardwalk is at 4:30 p.m.

Entrance fees cover two consecutive days of admission

\$14 per adult

\$6 for college students with ID

\$4 for children six to 18 years old

\$10 for National Audubon Society members who present their ID card

*The mission of Audubon's Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary is to protect the natural resources of Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary, its surrounding watershed and the Western Everglades, and to influence Everglades restoration, for the benefit of birds, other wildlife and people through land management, science, education, restoration and public policy advocacy.*

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