

Corpus Christi stages second birding festival, April 19-22, based at South Texas Botanical Gardens

9 birding field trips | 3 photography field trips | 3 photography workshops | 8 presentations
Raptor Project | trade show | family fun day | arts & crafts show | online registration open

All binoculars are trained on Corpus Christi, the "birdiest city in North America" for a decade!
Spotlighting South Texas' peak spring migration, the second "Birdiest Festival in America," April 19-22, headquartered at the South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St., is now accepting registrations! **Just \$35 includes:**

- Your favorite three of seven birding presentations (\$5 each extra), with a line-up of career birding professionals
- One complementary ticket to opening reception dinner, Thursday (*guest tickets available*)
- Four days admission to South Texas Botanical Gardens, Festival headquarters
- "The Raptor Project" shows, Thursday-Saturday
- Birding Trade Show, Thursday-Saturday
- Family Fun Area, Saturday
- Arts & Crafts Show, Saturday
- Access to birding & photography field trips & workshops with regional experts, at reasonable separate costs.

www.birdiestfestival.org



A perfect way for Coastal Bend residents to take an entry step into the world of birding . . .
See all field trip, presentation, workshop, trade show, other details on this website!



SOUTH TEXAS Botanical Gardens & Nature Center

April, 2018 Calendar

361-852-2100 www.stxbot.org 8545 S. Staples St. Corpus Christi

April 7 brings Botanical Gardens'

BIG BLOOM

HURRICANE, SNOW, FREEZE FIX!

Mega Plant Sale DOLLAR DAY

FLORA | Fauna | ecoFun

The "fix is in" for the August hurricane, December snow, and hard freeze! South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center's annual **BIG BLOOM** mega Plant Sale, garden festival, and **Dollar Day**, will be 9 am to 5 pm, Saturday, April 7, on Gardens & Nature Center grounds, 8545 S. Staples St. Visitors may shop *and* tour the entire Botanical Gardens for just \$1 per person. Members will be admitted free, and may begin shopping at 8 a.m. More than 6000 people attended BIG BLOOM 2017.

Eco-entertainment features include two **NAVYARMY COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION** Butterfly Releases; EcoFun Tent, with Resident Reptile shows and Parrot Talks; Kids Fun Zone with 'Touch & Learn' projects and inflatables; plus three Lady Bug releases; nature trail walk-and-talks, Wetlands Boardwalk birding scopes; and Monkey Mansion Treehouse. BIG BLOOM visitors also can visit the 1800 square-foot *Samuel Jones*

Orchid Conservatory, Bromeliad Conservatory, all other floral exhibits, trails, birding tower, and Palapa Grande on Gator Lake. Food trucks will be on site for lunch! Corporate DOLLAR DAY sponsors underwrite Dollar Day!



MEMBERS ONLY SHOPPING

8-9

BIG BLOOM, ORCHID SALE,
VENDORS, NATURE'S BOUTIQUE,
KIDS ZONE, SEE THE GARDENS

9-5

BIRDING SCOPES ON BOARDWALK

9:30-4

KIDS PROJECTS

10-5—Kids Zone

FOOD TRUCKS Approx. 11-2

NATURE TRAIL TOURS

10, 1—Start at Hummingbird Garden

LADY BUG RELEASES

10:30—Sensory Garden

1:30—Hummingbird Garden

4:00—Rose Garden

REPTILE SHOWS

11:00, 2:00—EcoFun Tent

BUTTERFLY RELEASES

11:45, 2:45—Butterfly House

PARROT TALKS

12:30, 3:30—EcoFun Tent