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Pelican Island

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Centennial

*March 13-16, 2003
Event Program*



100 years of Pelican Island and
the National Wildlife Refuge System

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

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President Theodore Roosevelt

March 14, 1903— the day that changed the history of wildlife conservation in America. On that day, President Theodore Roosevelt issued an Executive Order establishing Pelican Island, located along the east coast of Florida, as a federal bird reservation. This act marked the first time that the federal

government set aside land for the primary purpose of conserving wildlife. Pelican Island and the refuges that followed would become America's only network of lands dedicated to wildlife conservation.

A century later, there are 540 national wildlife refuges protecting nearly 100 million acres of habitat across America. From bison to butterflies, and salmon to sandhill cranes, national wildlife refuges conserve land for more than 1,000 species of fish and wildlife. Refuges provide unparalleled recreational activities, including hunting, fishing, and wildlife observation. More than 35 million people visit national wildlife refuges each year to enjoy the wonders of nature.

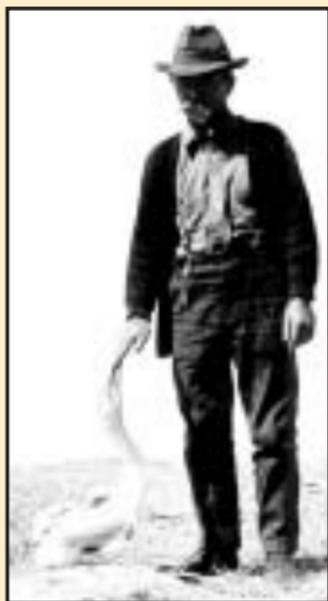
The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, The Pelican Island Preservation Society, and our many partners and sponsors are proud to welcome you to the Celebration of a Century of Conservation and the 11th Annual Pelican Island Wildlife Festival. Join us as we begin a second century of wildlife conservation.



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Paul Kroegel, a German immigrant who settled in Sebastian, Florida in the late 1800s, was the first person to take an interest in protecting the pelicans and other birds of Pelican Island. He worked with noted conservationists of the day to help convince President Theodore Roosevelt to establish Pelican Island as our nation's first federal bird reservation. Kroegel became the first national wildlife refuge manager, for which he was paid \$12. He stayed at his post until 1926. After being retired from federal service, Kroegel remained in Sebastian, where he died in 1948.



George Nelson

Centennial Kick-off Events Sunday, March 9 - Thursday, March 12

Sunday, March 9

12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

Ecofest

Environmental Learning Center, Wabasso

A pre-Centennial event featuring Pelican Island and the natural history of the Indian River Lagoon.

Wednesday, March 12

1:05 pm

Pelican Island Day

Dodgertown, Vero Beach

Learn about Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge while watching the The LA Dodgers take on the New York Mets in a spring training match up. For ticket information, visit www.vbdodgers.com or call 772/569 4900.

Thursday, March 13

National Wildlife Refuge System

Time Capsule Exhibit Dedication

Indian River Mall, Vero Beach

12:30 - 1:00 pm

Bald Eagle Demonstration

Featuring Challenger the Bald Eagle

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Time Capsule Exhibit Dedication Ceremony

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director Steve Williams will unveil an exhibit showcasing artifacts from some of America's 540 national wildlife refuges.
- Entertainment by the Peabody Orlando Ducks and Jim Foote as Theodore Roosevelt.

2:00 - 4:00 pm

Centennial Activity Areas

- Tours of the National Wildlife Refuge System Time Capsule Exhibit by Dr. Mark Madison, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Historian.
- Waldenbooks will host Edmund Morris, Winner of the Pulitzer Prize and author of *Theodore Rex*, and Karen Hollingsworth, whose photographs are featured in the new *Smithsonian Book of National Wildlife Refuges*, at a special Centennial book signing.
- Have your photo taken with the Blue Goose, symbol of the refuge system.
- Pelican Island Preservation Society raffle.
- Public exhibition of Pelican Island Wildlife Festival Youth Poster Contest and Pelican Island Commemorative Stamp coloring exhibition.

Centennial Celebration
Friday, March 14
Riverview Park, Sebastian

10:00 am - 12:00 noon

National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial Celebration

A celebration of American wildlife conservation hosted by Jack Hanna of *Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures* and featuring Voices of Liberty from the Walt Disney World® Resort, local singer Jernie Talles, and Jim Foote as Theodore Roosevelt. Also features a fly-over by Challenger the bald eagle, live wildlife demonstrations by Jack Hanna, the Sebastian River High School Band and video programs showcasing the National Wildlife Refuge System.

12:00 noon - 1:00 pm

Centennial Ceremony and U.S. Postal Service Commemorative Stamp First Day of Issue Ceremony

Secretary of Interior Gale Norton, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Director Steve Williams, and other conservation dignitaries are joined by the U.S. Postal Service to mark the 100th anniversary of Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge and the National Wildlife Refuge System.

7:00 pm

Arlo Guthrie Concert

A free public concert featuring Pete Harris and Sebastian's own Arlo Guthrie. Sponsored by the Sebastian Area Chamber of Commerce.

9:00 pm

Fireworks Show

Sponsored by the City of Sebastian.

Special Exhibit Areas

- Visit the U.S. Postal Service booth to purchase Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge Commemorative Stamp T-shirts, pins, tote bags, caps and cachets. Riverview Park is the only place in the country where the first day cover for this stamp is available.
- Don't miss an opportunity to talk with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service staff from around the country, who will have exhibits about national wildlife refuges and other Service programs. Open 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
- See the Exhibition of Flags along Indian River Drive. All 540 national wildlife refuges and wetland management districts in the National Wildlife Refuge System are represented. Flags were sponsored in part by refuge staff, refuge Friends groups and volunteers of national wildlife refuges. For a list of refuges and wetland management districts whose flags were sponsored, go to pelicanisland.fws.gov.

Food vendors at Riverview Park throughout the day.

Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge Commemorative Stamp



Affix stamp here

The United States Postal Service will issue a Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge commemorative stamp on March 14, 2003 to honor the Centennial Celebration of the National Wildlife Refuge system of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

In conjunction with the National Centennial Celebration on March 14, 2003, the U.S. Postal Service will hold a First Day of Issue Ceremony at Riverview Park in Sebastian, Florida. This will be the first day this first-class stamp is sold, and on that day, Sebastian will be the only place in the country the stamp can be purchased and canceled. For each new stamp, the U.S. Postal Service generally selects a specific location as the place for the first day of issue dedication ceremony and the first day postmark. The new stamps generally are only sold in this location on the day of issue, and go on sale at post offices around the country the following day.

The stamp features a photograph of a brown pelican by Dr. James Brandt. Pelican Island first garnered national attention in the early 1900s as the last breeding ground for brown pelicans on the east coast of Florida. It was this national attention that led President Theodore Roosevelt to establish Pelican Island as the first official national wildlife refuge in the United States.

The commemorative stamp is a 37-cent First Class stamp with text at the bottom which reads "Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge 1903-2003." The issuance of this stamp by the U.S. Postal Service signifies the importance of this event in American history.

Carl T. Herrman is the art director for the commemorative Pelican Island stamp and has been an Art Director for the U.S. Postal Service since 1992.

For more information on commemorative stamps and the U.S. Postal Service, go to www.usps.com.

Centennial Celebration Sponsors and Partners

AMC Indian River 24 Theaters

City of Sebastian

“Ding” Darling Wildlife Society

Disney's Vero Beach Resort

Dodgertown

Environmental Learning Center

Eagle Optics

FLAUSA

Florida Floor Fashions

Florida Today

Indian River County

Indian River County Chamber of Commerce

Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Orchid Island Juice Company

Pelican Island Elementary School

Pelican Island Preservation Society

Press Journal

Sebastian Airport

Sebastian River Area Chamber of Commerce

Sebastian River Boat Tours

Sebastian River High School

Sebastian River Medical Center

School District of Indian River County

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The Conservation Fund

Treasure Coast Refuse

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

U.S. Postal Service

Vero Beach Book Center

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Pelican Island Wildlife Festival
Saturday, March 15; 9:30 am – 4:00 pm
Riverview Park, Sebastian



Saturday's Features

- Jack Hanna of *Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures* Live Wildlife Show, 12:00 noon
- U.S. Postal Service Pelican Island Commemorative Stamp Booth
- Special Centennial Book Signings at the Vero Beach Book Center Booth
- Public Exhibition of the Photography Contest Entries and the Student Poster Contest Entries
- Centennial Raffle at the Pelican Island Preservation Society Booth; items include:
 - Spotting scope with tripod and scope carrier; Commemorative Centennial "Pelican" Binocular; Birder's vest; and Field Guide donated by Eagle Optics
 - Kayak, paddle and life jacket donated by Kayaks etc.

*Raffle proceeds support refuge projects.
Drawing Sunday at 3:00 pm.*

See map on back cover for location of all events.

Main Stage

9:30 am

Opening Ceremonies and Welcome by Paul Tritaik, Refuge Manager, Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge

9:45 am

Release of a rehabilitated brown pelican

10:00 am

Ma Jaya River School Music Ensemble

11:00 am – 11:15 am

The Feather Wars Skit

11:15 am – 11:40 am

Keynote Speech: Jim Foote as President Theodore Roosevelt

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Live Wildlife Presentation by Jack Hanna of *Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures*

1:00 pm

Live music by The Shade Tree Pickers – *Bluegrass*

1:45 pm

Live music by Blue Eyed Monsters – *The Story of Pelican Island Song and other Contemporary Music*



Jack Hanna

© Rick Prebeg

2:30 pm

Live music by Rich Mermer and Larry Smith –
Finger style guitarist and instrument builder

3:15 pm

Live music by Charlie Cowles
Guitarist and master musician

Center Stage

1:00 pm

100th Birthday Party for Pelican Island
National Wildlife Refuge – cake served

2:30 pm

Live Birds of Prey Presentation
The Avian Reconditioning Center, Scott and Carol
McCorkle, Falconer and Wildlife Rehabilitators

Kid's Activity Area

Environmental Education Activities

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

- Earn a Jr. Refuge Manager Badge
- Make Centennial Wildlife Buttons
- Make a Manatee
- Bird Beaks
- Mama Fauna's Pizzeria
- Fossil Find
- Wildlife Puppet Show
- Migration Headaches

Wildlife Seminars

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Pelicans and Other Water Birds of Pelican Island
Steve Nesbitt, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
Commission

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

The Great Florida Birding Trail
Lori Haynes, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
Commission

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

“Let's Go Wild”

A Multimedia Presentation of the National Wildlife
Refuge System – Karen Hollingsworth (Don't miss
Karen at the Centennial book signing.)

Saturday, March 15; 9:30 am – 4:00 pm

2:30 am – 3:30 pm

The History of Pelican Island

Paul Tritaik, Refuge Manager, and
Ruth Stanbridge, County Historian

Boat Tours

*Sponsored by Harbor Princess Touring Adventures.
Tickets and departure at the Yacht Club across from
Riverview Park.*

Every 1/2 hour from 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Pelican Island Tour (1 hour)

Tours sold on first come, first serve basis; \$5/person

Kayak Tours

Sponsored by Kayaks etc.

9:30 am and 1:00 pm

Pelican Island Eco-tour (2 1/2 hours, weather
dependent); \$20/person

Every hour from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Indian River Lagoon Spoil Island Tours (1 hour)
\$10/person

All day from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Free Kayaking Demonstrations

At The Environmental Learning Center (ELC)

Kenn Kaufman (nationally known birder and conservationist)

*Directions: From Wabasso on US1, turn east on CR 510.
Turn right on Wabasso Island Lane before the tall
bridge. ELC is on the right.*

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Butterfly Seminar: *A Birder Looks at Butterflies*

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Pelican Island Sunset Bird Watching Boat Tour

At Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge

Pelican Island Viewing Area First Day of Opening

The Centennial Trail and Observation Tower
to view Pelican Island

Open from 7:30 am to sunset

*Directions: US 1 to 510 east to A1A, 3.7 miles north on
A1A, turn left onto Historic Jungle Trail, .6 miles, turn
right into the Viewing Area.*

Sunday, March 16; 9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Sunday's Features

- Jim Fowler of *Wild Planet*
Live Wildlife Show, 12:00 pm
- U.S. Postal Service Pelican Island
Commemorative Stamp Booth
- Special Centennial Book Signings at the
Vero Beach Book Center Booth
- Public Exhibition and Awards Presentation of the
Photography Contest Entries and the Student Poster
Contest Entries
- Pelican Island Centennial Raffle at the
Pelican Island Preservation Society Booth
 - Spotting scope with tripod and scope carrier;
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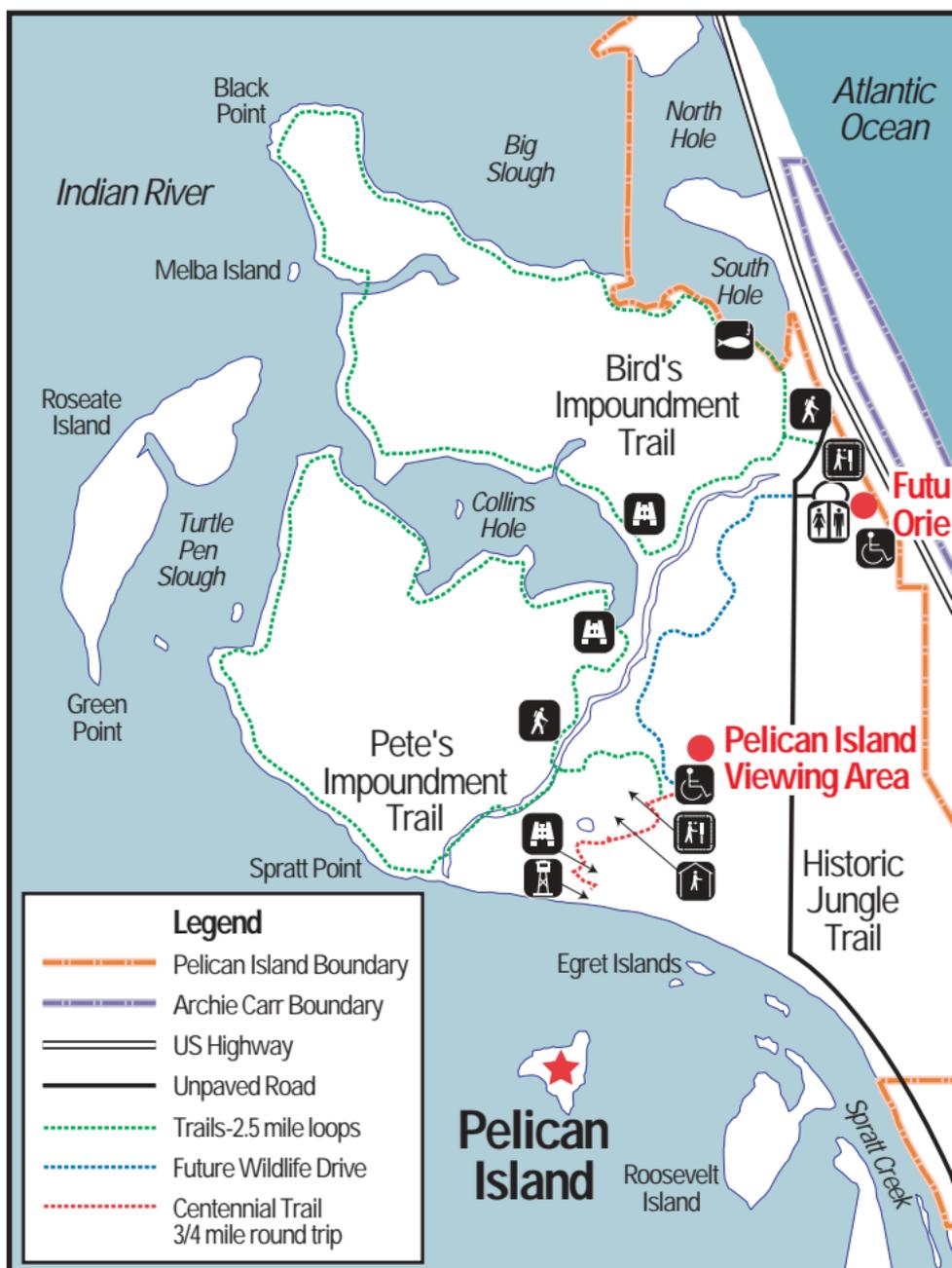
Live music by Barry Brogan - *Finger style and slide
guitarist who just can't get enough of the blues*

The Centennial Trail: Welcoming the Public on Pelican Island's 100th Birthday

Most of America's 540 national wildlife refuges offer a variety of wildlife dependent recreational opportunities for the public. However, for the past 100 years, the only way to experience Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge has been by boat.

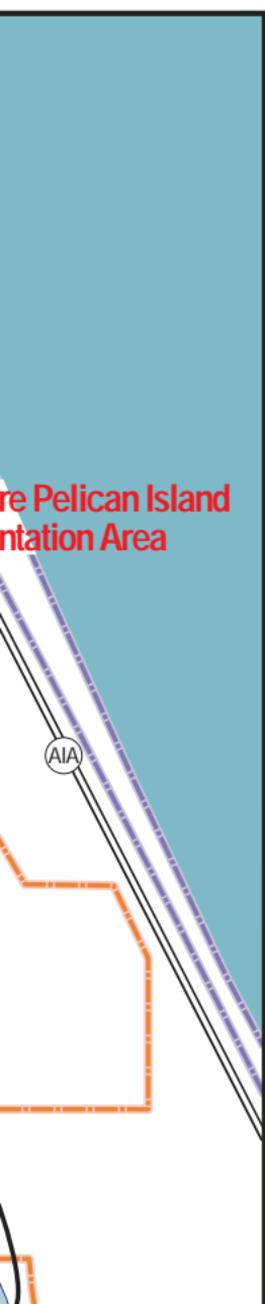
To mark the 100th anniversary of Pelican Island and the National Wildlife Refuge System, the refuge and Indian River County will open new public facilities on refuge lands near the original island. The new facilities include parking areas, restrooms, foot trails, fishing areas, and The Centennial Trail, a 3/4 mile boardwalk with an 18 foot observation tower to view Pelican Island.

Pelican Island Public Facilities Area



The Centennial Trail will offer the public its first opportunity to view Pelican Island from land. In addition, the trail winds through newly restored habitat, interprets the history of the refuge system and features a timeline of the creation of our nations 540 national wildlife refuges.

The public is invited to visit the Centennial Trail at the Pelican Island Viewing Area during the Wildlife Festival, where staff and volunteers will be on-hand to explain the history of the refuge system and Pelican Island. The new facilities will be open daily thereafter from 7:30 am to sunset.



These partnerships have made the new refuge public facilities possible:

- Caterpillar, Inc.
- ConocoPhillips
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- Florida Inland Navigation District
- Florida Power and Light Co.
- Florida Youth Conservation Corps.
- Indian River County
- Kennedy Groves
- Lewis Environmental Services, Inc.
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- National Park Service
- Save America's Treasures Grant
- National Sierra Club Outings Program
- Pelican Island Preservation Society
- Rollins College, Brevard Campus Environmental Studies Program
- St. Johns River Water Management District
- U.S. Postal Service
- Wild Birds Unlimited, Inc.
- Pathways To Nature Program

Sunday, March 16; 9:30 am – 4:00 pm

1:45 pm

Live music by Doug Moss - *Fine singer and guitarist that will cover all your contemporary favorites*

2:30 pm

Live music by Jazzmin - *This trio will be performing all your jazz favorites*

3:15 pm

Live music by Harp and Harmony - *Peggy and Tim Behrendt perform as a duo on harp, keyboard and harmonica*

Center Stage in Park

1:00 pm

100th Birthday Party for Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge – cake served

1:30 pm

Amateur 'Natural Florida' Photography Contest Awards Presentation
First Place Prize
Sponsored by Eagle Optics

Youth Environmental Poster Contest Awards Presentation

3:00 pm

The Pelican Island Centennial Raffle Drawing *Sponsored by Eagle Optics and Kayaks etc.*

3:15 pm

Live Florida Turtles, Snakes and Alligator Presentation *Pat and Jerry Loll, Wildlife Rehabilitators*

Centennial Book Signings

Stop by the Vero Beach Book Center Booth to pick up a schedule of Centennial book signings happening throughout the weekend. Nationally acclaimed authors will be featured, including:

- Edmund Morris, who will sign copies of *Theodore Rex*. Morris won a Pulitzer Prize and the American Book Award for his first volume on Theodore Roosevelt, *The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt*.
- Karen Hollingsworth will autograph copies of the new *Smithsonian Book of National Wildlife Refuges* which features her photography.
- Kenn Kaufman, one of the world's best-known bird experts, will sign copies of *The Birds of North America*, *Butterflies of North America*, and *Kingbird Highway*.

Additional authors will be signing copies of their works.

Kid's Activity Area

Environmental Education Activities

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

- Earn a Jr. Refuge Manager Badge
- Make Centennial Wildlife Buttons
- Make a Manatee
- Bird Beaks
- Mama Fauna's Pizzeria
- Fossil Find
- Wildlife Puppet Show
- Migration Headaches

Wildlife Seminars

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Florida Panther Life History & Conservation

Darrell Land, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

“Let's Go Wild”

A Multimedia Presentation of the National Wildlife Refuge System – Karen Hollingsworth

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

South Florida's Endangered Species

Tylan Dean, U.S Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services

2:30 am – 3:30 pm

The Indian River Lagoon

Ed Garland, St. Johns River Water Management District

Boat Tours

*Sponsored by Harbor Princess Touring Adventures.
Tickets and departure at the Yacht Club across from
Riverview Park*

Every 1/2 hour from 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Pelican Island Tour (1 hour)

Tours will be sold on a first come, first serve basis;
\$5/person

Sunday, March 16; 9:30 am – 4:00 pm



US Fish & Wildlife Service

Pelican Island

Kayak Tours

Kayak Tours, sponsored by Kayaks etc.

9:30 am and 1:00 pm

Pelican Island Eco-tour (2 1/2 hours, weather dependent); \$20/person

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7:30 am – 9:00 am

Pelican Island Sunrise Bird Watching Boat Tour

9:30 am – 10:30 am

Butterfly Seminar: *A Birder Looks at Butterflies*

At Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge

Visit Pelican Island Viewing Area Opening Weekend

The Centennial Trail and Observation Tower
to view Pelican Island

Open from 7:30 am to sunset

Directions: US 1 to 510 east to A1A, 3.7 miles north on A1A, turn left onto Historic Jungle Trail, .6 miles, turn right into the Viewing Area.

Exhibitors and Vendors Directory

*A Special Thanks to All Our Exhibitors
Who Make This Festival a Success*

Environmental Education, Nonprofit, Historical

Audubon of Florida
Caribbean Conservation Corporation
City of Palm Bay—Turkey Creek Sanctuary
Cultural Council of Indian River County
Ducks Unlimited
ECO Troop Pelican Island Elementary
EEL Program
Environmental Learning Center
Florida Tech – School of Management
Friends of Historic Roseland
Friends of St. Sebastian River
Indian River County Cooperative Extension Service
Indian River Lagoon Program
Kashi Foundation
Keep Indian River Beautiful
Ma Jaya River School
Manatee Observation and Education Center
Marine Resources Council
Noah's Notes
Pelican Island Audubon Society
Savannas Reserve Endowment
St. Sebastian River Buffer Preserve
Sea Turtle Preservation Society
Sebastian Area Historical Society Inc.
Sebastian Inlet State Park
Sebastian Inlet Power Squadron
Sebastian River Medical Center – First Aid Booth –
Festival Sponsor
Turtle Coast Group Sierra Club
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary #56
U.S. Mint
U.S. Postal Service
Walter Obermayr

Live Wildlife and Touch Tanks

Florida Bat Center
Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution
Pat and Jerry Loll's Live Wildlife
Smithsonian Marine Station at Ft Pierce
The Avian Reconditioning Center
Treasure Coast Herpetological Society
Treasure Coast Wildlife Hospital

Exhibitors and Vendors Directory

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Refuges, Nonprofit Refuge Friends Groups

Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge
Arthur Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge
Blue Goose Alliance
Chassahowitzka National Wildlife Refuge
“Ding” Darling Wildlife Society
Federal Association of Refuge Officers
Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge
Friends of the Carr Refuge
Friends of the Chassahowitzka National Wildlife Refuge
Friends of the Florida Panther Refuge
J. N. “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge
Lower Suwannee National Wildlife Refuge
Loxahatchee Natural History Association
Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge
Merritt Island Wildlife Association
National Wildlife Refuge Association
National Key Deer Refuge
Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge
Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge
Pelican Island Preservation Society
St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge
St. Vincent National Wildlife Refuge
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Ecological Services
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Partners for Fish and
Wildlife Program
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Law Enforcement

As a special feature for the Centennial, more than thirty exhibits representing national wildlife refuges and other U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service activities will be displayed.

Commercial

Beach Cove Sebastian*
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Press Journal*
Seabird Publishing Inc.
Sebastian River Boat Tours*
Vero Beach Book Center – Book Signings

* Festival sponsor

Exhibitors and Vendors Directory

Arts & Crafts

Art by Joan – Joan Turner
Art Petite – Anita Dimon
Artworks by Lydia – Lydia Thompson
Authentic Wildlife Creations – Chester Zaremba
Candi & Spice Ceramics & Pottery – Lois Santara
Carl Mett
Chainsaw Art by George – George Hewitt
Corian Creations – Douglas B. Stewart
Debby Holly
Downstairs Gallery – Marlene Comiltino
Garden Critters – Lori Watson
Gloria Renneker
Ironwork – Karon Irons
James Nevins/Bob Montanaro
Jim Angy's Wildlife Photography
John Goss
Kevin Doxstater Photography
Linda Munford
Lisanne Monier
Loufer Ink – Fern Doodman
Nature in Primitive – Engor L. Maggard
Marti Meyer
Patrik McMullen Photographer Artist
Pop Bottle Art – Bob Kirby
St. Augustine Art & Gift Corp.
Stephen E. Gasnell
The Art of Damien Share
The Natural Garden – Laura Parkel
Troia Photography
Unique Art by R.T.

Food

Bono's Barbeque & Grill
Fins Grill & Raw Bar
Geo Bella Concessions
Italian American Club
Long Horn Kettle Korn
Mellisa's Gourmet Bakery
Vero Lake Volunteer Fire Dept.

Great Florida Birding Trail Guided Tours
Saturday, March 15 and Sunday, March 16

*Organized by the Pelican Island Audubon Society
and the Environmental Learning Center*

Pre-registration required, space is limited.

Call Audubon at 772/567 3520 for information and to pre-register. After Friday, 12:00 noon, March 14th, pre-register at the Pelican Island Audubon Society booth in Riverview Park.

Directions also available at Audubon booth.

8:00 am – 11:00 am

Sebastian Inlet State Park

Tour begins on the North Entrance with light walking tour to see wading and shore birds, ocean view and mangroves for migratory songbirds.

Guide Billi Wagner

8:00 am – 11:00 am

Blue Cypress Conservation Area

Canoeing a trail developed by Sebastian High School Students in impounded marshes harboring migratory birds, resident ducks, and wading birds including limpkins. Canoes and gear will be provided.

Guide George Anderson

8:00 am – 11:00 am

Indian River County Wetlands Treatment Facility

Visit boardwalk and overlook system for an excellent view of wading birds, ducks, and shorebirds.

Guides Patrick Pitts and Denny Coats

8:00 am - 12:00 noon

T. M. Goodwin Waterfowl Management Area

Walk around dikes to view ducks, shorebirds, hawks, swallow-tailed kites, crested caracara.

Guide Roy Brook

8:00 am- 12:00 noon

St. Sebastian River State Buffer Preserve

(North Entrance)

Ride in back of pickup and some walking to observe Bachman's sparrow, scrub-jays, red-cockaded woodpeckers, migratory songbirds, and swallow-tailed kites.

Guide David Simpson

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm Saturday / 7:30 am – 9:00 am Sunday
Environmental Learning Center

A pontoon-boat ride to Pelican Island to observe storks, pelicans, egrets, and other birds.

Guide Kenn Kaufman

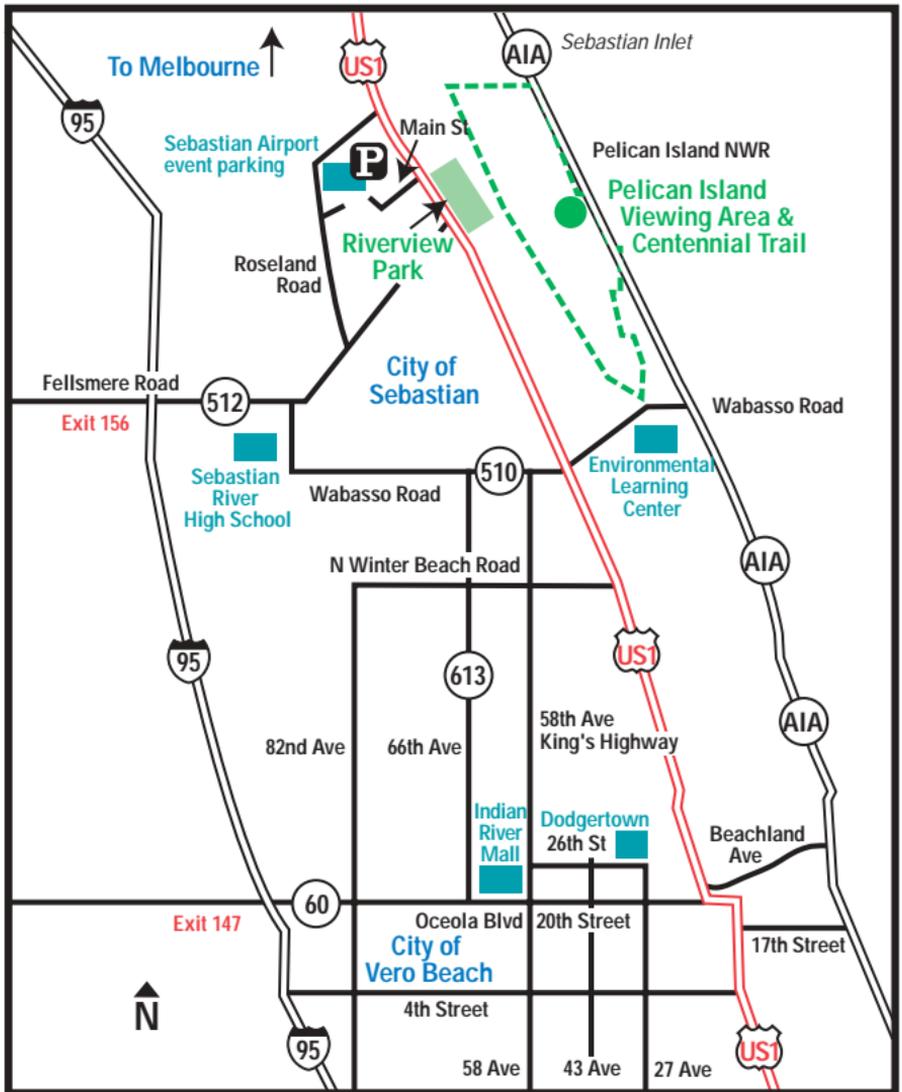
8:00 am- 12:00 noon Sunday only

Oslo Riverfront Conservation Area (ORCA)

Canoe on the backwaters of the Indian River Lagoon to visit a major Florida rookery. Canoes and gear provided to observe shore and wading birds nesting.

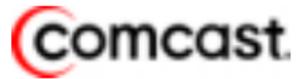
Guides Richard Baker and Alice Rowe

Area Events Map

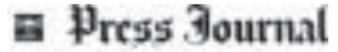


Festival Sponsors and Partners

Festival Sponsors



Kayaks etc.



Additional Sponsors:

Beach Cove Sebastian ■ Disney's Vero Beach Resort
Eco-Florida Magazine ■ Florida Floor Fashions
Florida Today ■ Garden Club of Indian River County, Inc.
Noah's Notes ■ Peg Rondeau ■ Phil and Karen Morgan
Publix Supermarket ■ Orchid Island Juice Company
Sam's Club ■ School District of Indian River County
Spectrum Interior Design

Festival Partners

Captain Dick Catri ■ City of Sebastian ■ Environmental Learning Center ■ Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission ■ Florida Tech ■ Indian River County ■ Indian River County Chamber of Commerce
Keep Brevard Beautiful ■ Keep Indian River Beautiful
Pelican Island Audubon Society ■ Sebastian Inlet State Park ■ Sebastian River Area Chamber of Commerce
U.S. Postal Service ■ Vero Beach Book Center

Pelican Island Preservation Society Membership Application



Please check one:

- Student (under 18) - \$5 per year
- Individual - \$10 per year
- Family (Joint) - \$15 per year
- Contributing - \$50 per year
- Corporate/Business - \$100 per year
- Supporting - \$250 per year
- Life - \$500

Name(s): _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Send completed application and dues to:
PIPS Membership
PO Box 1903
Sebastian, Florida 32978-1903

The Pelican Island Preservation Society, Inc. is an environmental education organization established in 1995 to heighten the awareness of and support for Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge.

Riverview Park, Sebastian

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No public parking at Riverview Park
Satellite parking at Sebastian Airport
with continuous shuttle bus service

Yacht Club
Boat Tours



Indian River Drive
Road closed

Shuttle bus
dropoff/pickup



Coolidge Street



Hess Gas
Station



Exhibitor and
Event Staff
Parking only

Exhibit
Area

Shuttle bus
dropoff/pickup



Sebastian Blvd. CR 512 - Road closed



Seminars



Book
Signings



EXHIBIT AREA

Center
Stage



Photo/poster
Contest



Kids'
Activity Area

Paul Kroegel
Statue



Pelican Island
Preservation Society



US Postal
Service



Disabled Parking **P**



Food
vendors

Harrison Street
Road closed

Volunteer/VIP
Tent



Veterans Memorial



First Aid
Station

Main
Stage



Indian River Drive
Road closed

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Key



Event Information



Parking



Public Restrooms



Indian River Drive
Road closed