

Evergreen Nature Center Opens for it's 10th Anniversary Season!

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The Evergreen Nature Centered opened for its 10th Anniversary season on Saturday April 21st despite the cold, wet, snowy weather. As we do every year, we combined our opening day with Evergreen's annual Earth Day Celebration at the Lake House.

While every day should be Earth Day, it's wonderful to have an official celebration each spring, sharing ideas, strategies and successes with like-minded organizations and our Evergreen community. There were over 20 groups represented at this year's event, including Hawkquest, with their endlessly fascinating live raptors; the Wilmot Elementary School Green

Team; and our good friends from EAS+Y, Weed Awareness, Trout Unlimited, Mount Evans Wilderness, NREL, JeffCo Open Space and the USFS, to name just a few. Despite the weather, we had a steady stream of interested and engaged visitors all day long.

Down the path at the Nature Center, staff and volunteers also hosted a steady stream of visitors who enjoyed exploring new exhibits and revisiting old favorites – the Touch Table, the puzzle table, the puppet theater and the assorted bird and mammal costumes. New this year, Denver Museum of Nature and Science has loaned us mounts of several of our common songbirds in keeping with the “Year of the Bird” theme, and “Home Sweet Home” features an expanded collection of bird nests. We also have some new exhibit cases and new signage. We have a full schedule of fun and educational programs planned for all ages and the Gift Shop is fully stocked with Audubon birds, earrings, laminated wildlife brochures and the ever popular Nectar Dots (hand held hummingbird feeders).

The Nature Center is open weekends 10:00 am until 5:00 pm, as weather permits, through May, then Thursdays through Sundays through August. See you soon, we hope!

