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MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS
&
THE MONTANA AUDUBON CENTER
PRESENTS
BAT-STRAVAGANZA

OCTOBER 27
6PM-8PM

Join us for a night
celebrating and learning
about bats at the Montana
Audubon Center!
We will have some
batty fun for everyone!

All Ages Welcome!



FWP and the Montana Audubon Center are hosting Bat-Stravaganza Friday, Oct. 27.

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Free event with bat-themed educational activities for all ages

BILLINGS - Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks and the Montana Audubon Center are hosting Bat-Stravaganza, a family-friendly event focused on learning about and celebrating bats. The free event will take place Friday, Oct. 27, at the Montana Audubon Center (7026 S. Billings Blvd.) from 6-8 p.m. All ages are welcome.

Participants at Bat-Stravaganza will learn about threats to and benefits of bats, play educational games, explore a "bat cave," and make bat-themed crafts. Halloween costumes are encouraged. Prizes, snacks, and fun giveaways will be available.

Bats provide a variety of benefits to humans and the ecosystem, such as crop protection, insect pest control and pollination. In Montana, there are 15 different species of bats, 11 of which are considered "Species of Concern" due threats such as habitat loss and white nose syndrome. For more information on bats in Montana, visit: fwp.mt.gov/conservation/wildlife-management/bats.

Bat-Stravaganza will take place during Bat Week, an international, annual celebration held the last week of October. The goal of Bat Week is to raise awareness about bat conservation and improve public perception of these unique and important animals. For more information on Bat Week, visit: batweek.org.

Registration is required for Bat-Stravaganza. To RSVP, send an email to Becca Mathias at rmathias@mtaudubon.org.

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