

THURSDAY, AUG. 30

- 1 – 8 p.m. Front Range Birding Co. optics display, Conf. Room
- 4 – 5 p.m. Spellbinder Storytime: Crane Tales for all ages, Storytime Room at the Library
- 5 – 5:55 p.m. Spirit Wind Aerial Arts—crane-inspired flying dancers, Library Lawn
- 6 – 7 p.m. Why We Love Cranes, crane expert Paul Tebbel, Library Hall
- 7 – 8:30 p.m. The Genius of Birds, NYT bestselling author Jennifer Ackeman, Library Hall

FRIDAY, AUG. 31

- 5:45 a.m. Sunrise guided crane viewings. Shuttles depart from Stockbridge Transit Center. Plus options for additional guided bird walks with Ted Floyd & Joel Such. ****Pre-registration required**
- 8:15 a.m. – 12 p.m. Birding by Pontoon Boat at Steamboat Lake: Four 45-minute tours led by an interpreter ****Pre-registration required**
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Crane Yoga, community practice with Liz Leopold for all ages, Little Toots Park
- 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Front Range Birding Co. optics display, Conf. Room
- 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Nature-journaling workshop with author Ellen Bonfield and artist Cindy Wither, Library Hall ****Pre-registration required**
- 12 – 12:45 p.m. The Inspiration & Influence of Cranes in Chinese Culture, Pam Liu, Library Hall
- 12:45 – 1:45 p.m. Optics 101 — Choosing the Right Binocular for You, Chip Clouse, Library Hall
- 1:45 – 2:30 p.m. Cranes of the Rockies screening, a film by Michael Bennett about the Rocky Mountain population of Greater Sandhill Cranes, Library Hall
- 2:30 – 4 p.m. Big Sit, experience birds & nature with Bob Enever and Andrew & Ted Floyd, Yampa River Botanic Park
- 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. Crane yard art display & silent auction, Library Lawn

Pre-registration for specified events at www.coloradocranes.org. Crane viewing maps at www.coloradocranes.org.

3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

- Mary Ann Farleigh's young performers, live music & yard art, Library Lawn
- 4:15 – 4:30 p.m. Crane Coloring Contest Awards, Library Lawn
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Children & family activities with Yampatika and CPW, Library Lawn
- 5:45 – 8:45 p.m. Sunset guided crane viewings. Shuttles depart from Stockbridge Transit Center. ****Pre-registration required**

SATURDAY, SEPT. 1

- 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. Guided Bird Walk with Ted Floyd, Cow Creek/CR45/Beall Trail ****Pre-registration required**
- 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. Guided Bird Walk with Joel Such, Fish Creek Falls ****Pre-registration required**
- 9 – 10:30 a.m. Sketch-A-Bird workshop with professional artist Chula Beauregard, including HawkQuest's live raptors and crane taxidermy, Library Hall. All ages welcome and art supplies provided.
- 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Crane display and booth at the Wild West Air Fest, Steamboat Springs Airport
- 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Cranes & Other Crawford Critters, a guided nature and cultural history walk with Marianne Capra, starts at the Library ****Pre-registration required**
- 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Front Range Birding Co. optics display, Conf. Room
- 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Nature walk at the top of Thunderhead on the Steamboat Ski Area ****Pre-registration required**
- 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. HawkQuest's live raptors, Library Lawn
- 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. Optics 101 — Choosing the Right Binocular for You, Chip Clouse, Library Hall
- 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. Conclusion of crane yard art display & silent auction, Library Lawn
- 12 – 12:30 p.m. Photo contest award presentation, Library Hall
- 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Free Like a Crane screening, North American premiere of award-winning film about crane migration from Estonia to Ethiopia, Library Hall

1:30 – 2:45 p.m.

- KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** Anne Lacy, Coordinator of Crane Research for the International Crane Foundation, presents *The Trumpet in the Orchestra of Evolution: The Story of the Sandhill Crane in North America*, Library Hall
- 4:30 – 8:45 p.m. Community picnic, talk and guided crane viewing or nature walk. Dinner by Sharon, the Stay-at-Home Chef (purchase) or B.Y.O picnic. Talk and nature walk by Birding Editor Ted Floyd. Guided crane viewing, shuttles only. The Nature Conservancy's Carpenter Ranch. ****Pre-registration required for shuttle to picnic and crane viewing, and/or purchase of picnic dinner.**

SUNDAY, SEPT. 2

- 5:45 a.m. Sunrise guided crane viewings. Shuttles depart from Stockbridge Transit Center. Plus options for additional guided bird walk with Ted Floyd and Carpenter Ranch homestead tour, or a working ranch tour ****Pre-registration required**
- 6:45 – 9:15 a.m. Guided Bird Walk with Joel Such, Marabou Ranch ****Pre-registration required**
- 9 – 11 a.m. HawkQuest live raptor photo shoot ****Pre-registration required**
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Private breakfast with ICF's Anne Lacy and author Jennifer Ackeman for festival attendees staying at Resort Lodging Company properties, Sharon's Restaurant
- 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Front Range Birding Co. optics display, Conf. Room
- 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. Historic Homestead Tour with Betsy Blakeslee, The Nature Conservancy's Carpenter Ranch
- 10:15 – 11 a.m. Owl pellet workshop for kids, Library Hall ****Pre-registration required**
- 11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m. Owl pellet workshop for kids Library Hall ****Pre-registration required**
- 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. The Cooperative Approach to the Hooded Crane Species Survival Plan in North America, Denver Zoo's Curator of Birds John Azua, Library Hall
- 1:30 – 3 p.m. Birds of Prey, an all-ages presentation with live birds by HawkQuest founder Kin Quitiqua, Library Hall

FESTIVAL INFO DESK

Located in the hallway leading into Library Hall at the Bud Werner Library, 1289 Lincoln Ave.

- Thursday: 3 – 8:30 p.m.
- Friday: 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

FESTIVAL STORE HOURS

- Thursday: 4 – 8:30 p.m.
- Friday: Noon – 2 p.m. & 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday: 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Sunday: 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

CRANE YARD ART AUCTION

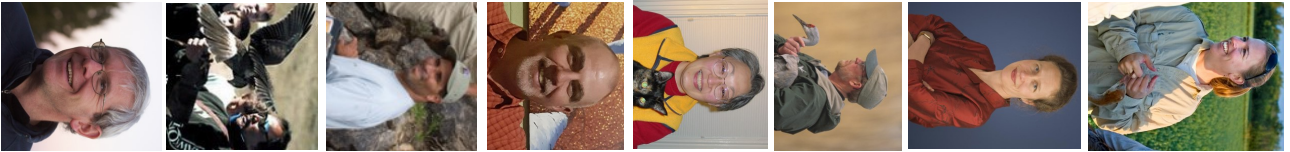
Yard cranes decorated by local artists will be on display and up for silent auction (benefiting the Yampa Valley Crane Festival) on the Library Lawn.

Friday: 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. with live music by Mary Ann Farleigh's young performers, family activities and coloring contest awards

Saturday: Noon – 4 p.m.

FESTIVAL VENUES

- Crane Festival Headquarters is at the Bud Werner Memorial Library, 1289 Lincoln Ave., Steamboat Springs
- Cow Creek/CR 45/Beall Trail, 37850 CR 45 Festival Store, outside Library Hall at BMWL
- Fish Creek Falls, 34165 Fish Creek Falls Rd. Gondola Square/Thunderhead, base of Steamboat Ski Area, 2305 Mount Werner Cir.
- Library Hall, inside the Bud Werner Library
- Library Lawn, outside the Bud Werner Library
- Little Toots Park, 55 Twelfth St.
- Optics Display, Library Conference Room
- Steamboat Lake Marina, 61450 CR 62 in Clark, 26 miles north of Steamboat
- Stockbridge Transit Center, 1505 Lincoln Ave.
- The Carpenter Ranch, 20 miles west of Steamboat on the north side of U.S. 40, Hayden
- Wild Goose Coffee Shop, 198 E. Lincoln Ave. Hayden
- Yampa River Botanic Park, 1000 Pamela Ln.



ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Keynote Speaker: Anne Lacy grew up in Madison, leaving to attend college in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. She received a B.A. in Psychology and returned to get a B.S. in Biology. After working various jobs while taking graduate level Geographic Information Systems courses at the University of South Carolina, Anne was accepted to the graduate program in Biology at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. After finishing coursework in Duluth in 2000, Anne accepted an internship at the International Crane Foundation while also finishing her thesis. After completion of her M.S., Anne accepted a full-time position at ICF as a research associate in the Field Ecology Department (now the North America Programs), working on an ongoing long-term study of sandhill cranes. In 2009 she added whooping cranes to her work. This work, with the Whooping Crane Eastern Partnership, of which ICF is an active member, focuses on the monitoring and management of the newly reintroduced Whooping Cranes in Wisconsin. She is Coordinator of Crane Research for the International Crane Foundation.

Jennifer Ackerman has been writing about nature and science for three decades. Her most recent book, *The Genius of Birds*, explores the intelligence of birds. A national bestseller, the book has been published in 20 languages and has been a finalist for several awards. Jennifer's previous books include *Notes from the Shore*, a book about the shorebirds and other natural life of the mid-Atlantic coast; *Chance in the House of Fate: A Natural History of Heredity*; and *Sex Sleep Eat Drink Dream: A Day in the Life of Your Body*.

Paul Tebbel is the former Executive Director of the Effie Yeaw Nature Center on the Lower American River in Sacramento, California. Paul was the manager/director of the Lillian Annette Rowe Sanctuary, owned by the National Audubon Society, in Gibbon, Nebraska for 11 years. The sanctuary focuses on habitat protection for sandhill and whooping cranes, waterfowl and other wildlife and the long range management of the Platte River. One of Paul's main hobbies remains watching sandhill cranes and their behavior.

Pam Liu was born in Taiwan, grew up on three continents, and has traveled extensively for six decades. Although trained as a mathematician, an artist, a landscape architect/ecologist, and an educator, her love for understanding all cultures through this broad lens is what is dear to her heart. Exploring connections through cultural similarities and differences is central to her current pursuit.

Chip Clouse, manager of the Front Range Birding Company, is a long-time biologist and environmental educator, former optics representative and former Education Director for the American Birding Association.

John Azua has been the Curator of Birds at the Denver Zoological Gardens for over 19 years, managing and caring for 120 species and 499 birds. He currently is the Hammerkop SSP coordinator and studbook keeper and Hooded crane studbook keeper. He also serves on the management committee of the Andean Condor SSP, Guififormes TAG, Coraciiformes TAG and Buceros SSP. He worked previously at the San Diego Zoo's Bird Department and Avian Propagation Center for 7.5 years and the San Diego Zoo's Safari (Wild Animal) Park for 5.5 years.

Kin Quitigua is a master falconer and longtime environmental educator who founded HawkQuest in 1986. He has trained, handled and flown birds of prey as diverse as the Bald and Golden eagles and the Saw-whet owl. For more than 25 years, Kin has dedicated himself to educating the public about the place of raptors in our ecology.

Bird Walk Leader & Speaker: Ted Floyd is the editor of *Birding* magazine, the flagship publication of the American Birding Association. He has written more than 100 scientific papers and popular articles on birds and other aspects of nature. He is also the author of four bird books, including the *ABA Field Guide to Birds of Colorado*.

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Printed maps to crane viewing sites are available during the festival at:
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& Bud Werner Library (1289 Lincoln Ave.)