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## Clark County Wetlands Park & Wetlands Park Friends Present 'Wetlands in the Summer: An Evening Lecture Series' Lecture One of Five: Birds of Wetlands Park

LAS VEGAS, NV (May 1, 2025). . . Clark County Wetlands Park and Wetlands Park Friends are excited to announce, "Wetlands in the Summer: An Evening Lecture Series," the first of five events on **May 15**, from **6 p.m. to 8 p.m**. This event will take place at the Wetlands Park Nature Center Auditorium, 7050 Wetlands Park Lane, off Tropicana Avenue. No registration is required, simply walk in and enjoy! Light refreshments will be provided during the event:

Thursday May 15 "Birds of Wetlands Park"

Dave Anderson, photographer, filmmaker, writer, and owner/operator of The Wild Sights in Southern Nevada

Clark County Wetlands Park is a tremendous location to see a variety of birds. Local birding guide and photographer, Dave Anderson, will show images and videos of some of his favorite species. He will share his tips on how to find and identify birds. Dave will also talk about the challenges our local birds are facing and actions we can take to help our feathered friends. A lifelong naturalist, Dave Anderson grew up in New England with a passion for wildlife, earning a BS in wildlife biology from the University of Maine. His career has spanned environmental research, adventure guiding, and instructing for the nonprofit global wilderness school that believes in the transformative power of leadership through wilderness education, NOLS (National Outdoor Leadership School), leading expeditions across 15 countries.

In 2010, Dave Anderson and his wife launched an international adventure travel business, later settling in Las Vegas to focus on local guiding. He is a certified Nevada Naturalist, Red Rock Audubon Society Vice President, and the owner/operator of The Wild Sights, a bird guiding and photography business in Southern Nevada. As a photographer, filmmaker, and writer, his work has appeared in National Geographic, The New York Times, and in 2023, his wildlife photographs received first prize and honorable mention in the Focus on Nevada Photo Contest.

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Since 2019, Wetlands Park Friends is the nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization dedicated to promoting conservation, awareness, and appreciation of Clark County Wetlands Park through its educational programs and activities. Its office is located inside the Park's Administration Building in the Nature Center; 7050 Wetlands Park Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89122. Its phone number is 702-806-6852. For more information, including how to become a Friend and donate, please visit: <a href="https://www.wetlandsparkfriends.org">www.wetlandsparkfriends.org</a> or on social media at WetlandsParkFriends.

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More information about this event can be found at <a href="https://rb.gy/9lccfo">https://rb.gy/9lccfo</a>. As one of the largest urban wetlands in the Southwest, Clark County Wetlands Park is home to more than 300 species of birds and 70 species of mammals and reptiles, including beavers, coyotes, bobcats, and snakes. The Nature Center is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and hosts a variety of programming activities. Park outdoor hours are dawn to dusk, seven days a week. To learn more about this event and other activities available, visit the Wetlands Park pages of Clark County's Parks and Recreation Department at <a href="https://www.ClarkCountyNV.gov">www.ClarkCountyNV.gov</a>. You also can follow Clark County Wetlands Park on social media at CCWetlandsPark.

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Clark County is a dynamic and innovative organization dedicated to providing top-quality service with integrity, respect and accountability. With jurisdiction over the world-famous Las Vegas Strip and covering an area the size of New Jersey, Clark is the nation's 11th-largest county and provides extensive regional services to 2.3 million citizens and 45.6 million visitors a year (2019). Included are the nation's 8th-busiest airport, air quality compliance, social services and the state's largest public hospital, University Medical Center. The County also provides municipal services that are traditionally provided by cities to 1 million residents in the unincorporated area. Those include fire protection, roads and other public works, parks and recreation, and planning and development.

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