



## Vendor Opportunity at the Texas Master Naturalist 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting October 21-23, 2016 – La Torretta Lake Resort

This year's event will mark the Texas Master Naturalist Program's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and will be the 18<sup>th</sup> year of the program. This year's meeting will be held on the edge of the East Texas pineywoods, where the pines and the metropolis of Houston meet. La Torretta Lake Resort & Spa on the shores of Lake Conroe, with award winning amenities, a grand conference center and critically acclaimed banquet services, will play host to the Master Naturalists as they engage in educational training opportunities throughout the weekend. The Annual Meeting provides an opportunity for the Texas Master Naturalist volunteers from around the state to gather, participate in hands-on educational seminars, and receive all of their Advanced Training requirements for the year within one weekend. It's also an opportunity for program participants and supporters to network, share new ideas/projects, and to learn from different chapters from different regions of the state.

A new opportunity this year with our larger than ever meeting space is being able to open up a few key spots for naturalist related vendors. The vendor booths will be located in the main conference atrium of the convention center of La Torretta Lake Resort. Booths will be limited to those vendors providing educational materials, artwork, or partnership programming opportunities for our Texas Master Naturalists. Vendors will receive one 6' table and two chairs. Electricity and other display needs can be discussed if needed.

Vendor set up will be on **Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** from 10am to 12:00 noon with take down and move out on **Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** starting at 10am. There will be ample time throughout the conference for attendees to browse the vendor areas, with breaks and socials scheduled to be held in the vendor space. We kindly ask that all vendors donate an item for the Silent Auction. The money raised from the silent auction will be used to pay for scholarships for Master Naturalists from each chapter to be able to attend our conference the following year. The mission of the Texas Master Naturalist program is to *develop a corps of well-informed volunteers to provide education, outreach, and service dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources and natural areas within their communities for the State of Texas.*

Vendors will also receive special recognition through the conference programs at time of press. Please have all vendor applications submitted by **September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. For more information contact Mary Pearl Meuth at [mpmeuth@tamu.edu](mailto:mpmeuth@tamu.edu) or (979) 845-7294.

Thank you for your interest in being a part of this new opportunity for the Texas Master Naturalist 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting.

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# VENDOR APPLICATION

## Vendor Booth Space Information:

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- Will receive one 6' table and two chairs. Additional tables may be available if needed.
- Electricity and other display items can be discussed if needed. Wi-Fi will be available in the conference space for all attendees, hardline and electric cord charges may be extra.
- We kindly ask that all vendors donate an item for the Silent Auction if possible
- Please have all vendor applications emailed to Mary Pearl by **5pm September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

Name of Company/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Attending Representative(s) (if applicable)

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Silent Auction Item Donation \_\_\_\_\_

\*For questions regarding the types of silent auction items, please contact the Auction Chairs:

Julie Vickers ([jvickers@consolidated.net](mailto:jvickers@consolidated.net)) & Ann Meador ([ameador@consolidated.net](mailto:ameador@consolidated.net))

**Vendor Fees:** The vendor fee is a nominal fee but does **not** include lodging or meals. Lodging and meals will be available at the discounted rate for all vendors with a booth rental – these will be announced in August.

- Vendor Booth: \$200

**Please make all checks out to the *Texas Master Naturalist Program***  
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