

children's crafts & games  
face painting • live animals  
live music • presentations  
environmental exhibits  
guided nature walks



**FREE  
FAMILY EVENT**



# FLORIDA SCRUB-JAY FESTIVAL

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2015 10:00-3:30**  
**MERRITT ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**

Event will be held at the Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center.

For more information, call: (321) 861-5601 or visit:

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# Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge

## Saturday February 28, 2015 10:00am-3:30pm

### TOURS

- 8:00-10:00 Early Guided Birding Tour at Oak and Palm Hammock Trail**  
 Explore some of the birds and wildlife found in Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge's wooded areas. Reservations are recommended, please call (321) 861-5601 to secure your spot. Tour will depart from the Oak and Palm Hammock Trailhead. Hiking shoes and bug spray are recommended.
- 10:00-11:00 Florida Scrub-Jay Field Walk at Canaveral National Seashore**  
**11:00-12:00** Take a guided hike in scrub habitat to observe and learn about the Florida Scrub-Jay.  
**12:30-1:30** Reservations are recommended, please call (321) 861-5601 to secure your spot.  
**1:30-12:30** Tour will depart from the Playalinda Beach Fee Station.
- 10:00-1:00 Florida Scrub-Jay Bus Tour and Field Walk at Kennedy Space Center**  
 View Florida Scrub-Jays and learn about their natural history and management. Participants must be U.S. citizens to enter KSC Security area, reservations for this tour are required; please call (321) 861-5601. Tour will depart from Refuge Headquarters.

### visitor center AUDITORIUM

- 10:30-11:30 Live Owl and Hawk Presentation by Wild About Birds**  
 Meet live owls and hawks and learn about their natural history. Reservations are required, please call (321) 861-5601.
- 11:30 Archbold Biological Station Florida Scrub-Jay Video**  
**1:00** View a 21 minute video in the visitor center auditorium to learn about the Florida Scrub-Jay. Looped informational video will play in between.
- 2:00-3:00 Live Bat Presentation by Bats Belfry**  
 View live bats and learn about the important role they play in our environment. Reservations are required, please call (321) 861-5601.

### STAGE

- 10:00-11:30 Music—Chris Kahl**
- 12:00-12:45 Florida Scrub-Jay Keynote Speaker**  
 Join Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge lead biologist Mike Legare to Learn about the natural history and management of the Florida Scrub-Jay.
- 12:45 Florida Scrub-Jay Q&A**  
 A panel of Scrub-Jay specialists will be on hand to answer your questions about the Florida Scrub-Jay.
- 2:00-3:30 Music—Fred Adrian**
- 2:00-3:00 Florida Scrub-Jay Game**  
 Enjoy an interactive game to learn about the life of a Florida Scrub-Jay. Participants will meet at the main stage.

### KIDS

- 10:00-3:30 Children's Activities and Crafts**  
 Face painting, Crafts, Gopher Tortoise Obstacle Course, Bean Bag Toss, Giveaways.