Crane Season Volunteer Opportunities

Crane Viewing Tour Guide Lead or assist tour guide out to the assigned viewing blind on the Platt River. Must be able to answer questions and provide short and accurate information on Sandhill cranes and Rowe Sanctuary's mission.

Crane Cam Operator

Operate the "crane cam" during designated times (dawn and dusk). We have a new and improved camera that can zoom onto specific cranes. This Crane Cam is available on our website and is watched by many people here in the sanctuary and a far. Visitors can also ask questions on the crane cam blog, it is the crane cam operator's job to answer questions or direct them to other resources.

Gatekeeper

Due to the High Number of Blind Tours and the limited parking space we can only allow visitors with viewing blind reservations to park in our parking lot while center is closed. This person will be responsible for greeting guests and giving instructions for parking/checking in. When our blinds are full this person will also help refer guests to other public to watch the cranes.

Greeter

Greeter is often the first person visitors interact with upon arrival at the Iain Nicolson Audubon Center at Rowe Sanctuary. Tasks include: Greet and welcome visitors, answer questions about cranes and the natural history of the area.

Grounds Keeping

Regular daily outdoor chores include vary day by day. Typical tasks include; sweeping and shoveling sidewalks, inspecting parking lot, around the center, trails and blinds for trash, potholes and other safety hazards empting outdoor trash/recycling bins and filling birdfeeders

Information Desks

The information desk is a place where our visitors can ask their questions about just a variety of things. In general, we provide information about cranes and the natural history of the area, directions to local attractions, and upcoming events.

Handyman

This person will be looked upon to conduct general building maintenance, minor repairs and other small projects. This position is project driven.

Housekeeping

It is extremely important to keep the Center clean and properly stocked for the safety and comfort of our guests. Daily tasks are posted in the utility closet off the Nature Store. Specific tasks will be posted as needed on the volunteer dry eraser board in the hallway.

Phone Receptionist

This is often our visitors' first impression of Iain Nicolson Audubon Center at Rowe Sanctuary and is a very vital service we provide for our guests. Duties include answering questions about Sandhill Crane questions, taking reservations and relaying local information.

Photo Blind Guide

We offer a special opportunity for photographers where they are able to purchase an overnight photography blind. We transport photographers with ATV's and UTV's with trailers to the blind in the evening and morning.

Rowe-ving Naturalist –Rowe-ving naturalists provide personalized, face-to-face interpretation by walking our trails, answering questions in the blind, or roaming the building offering insights and answering questions about the Platte River.