

**I FESTIVAL INTERNACIONAL
DE AVES MIGRATORIAS
PENÍNSULA DE OSA**

¿Por qué son importantes las aves?



**St. Croix Flyway
2016 Bird Migration Celebration
May 11 - 15
*Sponsored by Tropical Wings***

Be a part of the St. Croix River Valley's response to a companion festival held earlier this spring in Costa Rica! With a poetry contest and a series of community events, we celebrate the seasonal return of the migratory birds we share with our friends on the Osa Peninsula.

Announcing the Tropical Wings 2016 Poetry Contest

Celebrating our Migratory Birds

Seeking original poetry reflecting on themes related to neo-tropical migratory birds and their remarkable journeys, the connections between birds and people locally and internationally, the role of birds in the community of life, and the nature of flight. All forms of poetry welcome. Open to poets of all ages.

To Participate:

Submit up to 3 poems of any form and any length via e-mail to lit@artreachstcroix.org, subject heading Tropical Wings Poetry Contest, or send by regular mail, Attn: Tropical Wings Poetry Contest, ArtReach St. Croix, 224 4th St. N, Stillwater, MN 55082.

Include cover sheet with name, address, phone, and email (if available). If older than 21, indicate Adult Category. If younger than 21, please indicate Youth Category and provide age. *Entries must be received on or before Monday, April 25.*

Winning entries will be selected by environmental author/poet Laurie Allmann and members of the Literary Arts Committee of ArtReach St. Croix. Participating poets will retain all rights to their works, granting permission for noncommercial use of the submitted poetry by Tropical Wings, limited to educational efforts promoting the value of migratory birds and their habitat. Submissions will not be returned.

Awards include:

- Opportunity to be featured in a public reading on Friday, May 13, in Hudson, WI
- Winning poems to be published on stcroix360.com
- Scholarship for art and science Summer Art Camp class at The Phipps Center for the Arts in Hudson, Wisconsin (youth category)
- Tickets to an upcoming play at The Phipps (adult category)
- Field guides to the birds and other prizes to be announced

Questions: Contact info@TropicalWings.org.

The mission of *Tropical Wings* is to support the Sister Park Agreement between thirteen national park units in the Upper Midwest and seven parks around the Osa Peninsula in Costa Rica by promoting an awareness of neo-tropical migratory birds and supporting habitat conservation through building relationships within and between communities at both ends of the migration. For more information, go to www.TropicalWings.org.

Celebrate the National Park Service Centennial with this and other events! Learn more: <https://www.stcroixriverassociation.org/centennial/>

