Santa Fe Science Café for Young Thinkers

"What Is an Ornithologist and Why Is New Mexico a Great Place to Be One?"



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Georgia O'Keeffe Museum <u>Education Annex</u> 123 Grant Avenue, Santa Fe

Ornithologists are scientists who study and conserve birds. New Mexico is home to more birds than most other states in America! These birds pollinate our plants, eat mosquitos and other pests, bring in tourism revenue, and much more. Unfortunately, these birds face a variety of threats, including climate change, habitat loss, pesticides, and invasive species. Learn more about what ornithologists do, why it is such a great career, the challenges bird species face in New Mexico, and what we can all do to help them.

Admission is Free. Youth (ages 13-19) seating a priority. Light refreshments will be served.

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