

National Aviary

Wednesday Evening Dinner Social



The National Aviary is America's only independent indoor nonprofit bird zoo. Located in historic North Side's West Park, the Aviary is home to more than 600 birds of more than 200 species. Many are threatened or

endangered in the wild. Our natural, planted exhibits allow visitors an up-close view of the bird world. From hummingbirds to Andean Condors, the birds represent nearly every continent, with a particular emphasis on rainforest and wetland habitats.

The Aviary is set up like a trip around the world, starting you off in the Americas...and taking you through the old world (Europe, Asia and Africa) to discover exotic and endangered species. There is a 200,000 cubic square foot walk-thru greenhouse that houses over 150 free-flighted birds from wetland habitats. The rest of our exhibits are enclosed with piano wire instead of glass, allowing visitors to feel closer to the birds and hear their calls.

A buffet style sit down dinner will be served by Atria's, one of Pittsburgh's finest restaurants. Being sensitive to our hosts, pheasant, duck and goose will not be served.

Mission:

The National Aviary works to inspire respect for nature through an appreciation of birds.



Interesting Facts:

- The only National Aviary in the country. We have a Eurasian Eagle Owl, the largest species of owl in the world.
- Our curator of birds takes eggs from our pair of Red-crowned Cranes (as well as eggs from approx. 14 other pairs at other U.S. zoos) to Russia each year where the eggs are hatched and released into the wilds of their natural habitat...where numbers are dwindling.
- We have the only Martial Eagle in the United States (an endangered species from Africa).

Buses will begin shuttling from the front of the Sheraton at 6:00 pm. The last bus will leave at 6:30 pm. Return to hotel between 9:00 pm and 10:00 pm. Show your ticket as you board the bus