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### **Local Photographer Larry Ditto to showcase images of RGV nature, wildlife**

WESLACO—Frontera Audubon Society and the Weslaco Public Library are pleased to offer Part 3 of the Summer Nature Talks, *Backyard and Beyond: Nature Discoveries at Home and Across the World*. Frontera Audubon and the Weslaco Public Library have partnered to host the weekly programs every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. at the Braught Theater next to the Library at 525 S. Kansas Ave.

The event is free to the public.

This week's speaker, Larry Ditto, a celebrated South Texas photographer and wildlife biologist, will share some of his latest images for the presentation, "Beauty in our Backyard: Nature Photography." He will also discuss his focus on the natural beauty of South Texas and the people who live and work among its wonders.

"My training as a wildlife biologist and background as a manager in the National Wildlife Refuge System have contributed greatly to my pursuit of wildlife photography," says Ditto.

Ditto was the manager of the Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge, and has been a nature photographer for many years. His photos have appeared in National Geographic books, Field & Stream, Natural History, Sports Afield and other magazines for many years. Audubon calendars, Texas Parks & Wildlife Magazine, National Wildlife, and Texas Highways have also regularly featured his work.

Ditto regularly leads workshops at nature festivals, judges photography contests, and advises landowners on how to set up commercial wildlife photography operations. He conducts several workshops and instructional tours each year.

"We are pleased to host Larry Ditto in partnership with the Weslaco Public Library," says Sarah Williams, Executive Director of Frontera Audubon Society. "It's such a treat to view the people and nature of the Rio Grande Valley through his eyes...you don't want to miss it."

Summer Nature Talks will be every Tuesday at 6:30 at the Braught Theater at 525 Kansas Ave. in Weslaco. For more information on the Summer Nature Talks Series, contact Frontera Audubon at (956)968-3275 or email [fronteraaudubon@gmail.com](mailto:fronteraaudubon@gmail.com). For updates, visit [www.fronteraaudubon.org](http://www.fronteraaudubon.org).

**SUMMER NATURE TALKS SCHEDULE:**

**Beauty in our Backyard: Nature Photography with Larry Ditto**  
Tuesday, July 5th at 6:30 p.m.

**Adventures in Borneo with Dan Jones**  
Tuesday, July 12th at 6:30 p.m.

**Caterpillars! A Closer Look with Javier De Leon**  
Tuesday, July 19th at 6:30 p.m.

**Nature and History Collide with Larry Lof**  
Tuesday, July 26th at 6:30 p.m.

**Butterflies Here and Beyond with Mike Rickard**  
Tuesday, August 2nd at 6:30 p.m.

**Rio Grande Valley Nature Through My Eyes with Martin Hagne**  
Tuesday, August 9th at 6:30 p.m.

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