



EDITH L. MOORE NATURE SANCTUARY  
**HOUSTON AUDUBON DOCENT GUILD**  
*Educating Children at the Houston Audubon Edith L. Moore  
Nature Sanctuary since 1976*

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Audubon Docent Guild's mission at the Edith L. Moore Nature Sanctuary is to promote, through education and experience, an environmental awareness and respect for nature.

**TO BE A DOCENT**

To be a docent is to share our sanctuary with children and adults who come in search of nature and education. You will make them aware of the value of this special urban sanctuary by guiding them on tours, imparting knowledge of the native wildlife and plants here, and demonstrating how important natural environments are for all of us. As you give your time and gain knowledge about the sanctuary, you will develop your own specialty: in trees and shrubs, or frogs and pond life, or the native songbirds who live here. You will enjoy the special feeling that comes from helping children to experience nature for the first time. You will make a contribution to the protection of the natural world by increasing awareness and knowledge in those you educate and inspire.



**BENEFITS OF ADG MEMBERSHIP**

As an ADG member, you will receive: educational trainings, seminars and field trip opportunities; invitations to Houston Audubon volunteer appreciation parties and networking events; and a subscription to the ELMWOOD GADGET, our monthly newsletter. In it you will find notes on what is happening in the sanctuary, articles on native fauna and flora, scheduled events related to ADG and Houston Audubon, reports on past ADG activities, and interesting anecdotes on the natural world around us.



**RESPONSIBILITIES OF DOCENTS**

**Active Docent** - An Active Docent contributes her or his time regularly and pays \$20 annual (September - September) dues. The responsibilities of an active docent are: contribution of a minimum of **one** activity monthly or 25 hours yearly to the jobs listed below:

- Guided Tour                      1.5 hours
- Birthday Party                    3 hours
- Titmouse Club                    1.5 hours
- Owl Prowl                         2 hours
- Outreach Program               3 hours
- Scout Workshop                  2 hours
- Special Projects:
  - Sanctuary Trail & Habitat Crew (meet Tuesdays)
  - Cabin Preservation
  - Houston Audubon Gala Event Assistance
  - Craft & Activity Preparation
  - Christmas Tree Decorating

**Supporting Docent** - A Supporting Docent is one who is not able to contribute her or his time each month, but supports the Sanctuary and its mission by contributing \$40 annual dues. However, as your schedule permits, your participation in one or more activities or events will be welcomed and appreciated.