

## Bastrop County Audubon Society Meeting December 15, 2015, BCAS Meeting

6:30 p.m. First National Bank Meeting Room, Hasler Blvd. in Bastrop

Program: Iliana Peña is the real gift for us as speaker at the December meeting. She is Director of Conservation Education for Audubon Texas. She was named a "Conservation Pioneer" by National Audubon last year for the astonishing accomplishments in the field. She was the first director of Mitchell Lake Audubon Center in San Antonio, where she lives. She developed an educational program for fourth graders and an internship program for high schoolers with Toyota Green. She's a force in Audubon's coastal conservation program that monitors a system of island sanctuaries of 13,000 acres, and directs the Important Bird Area (IBA) Program. We met her in 2014 at the State Chapter Assembly. She has degrees in wildlife management from Texas A&M. She's an inspiring communicator.

## The BCAS Tradition of Gifts from Nature:

Everyone attending will receive a ticket for a door prize drawing.

If you want to bring an item as well, please do so, wrapped or unwrapped.

BCAS Gifts and Gear: Our tee shirts, books and DVD will be available for purchase.

## Christmas Bird Counts

Register for the sixth annual Lost Pines CBC slated for Sunday, December 20, 6:00 a.m., and the free workshops and events at the Hyatt Lost Pines Resort on Friday and Saturday preceding. Go to visitlostpines.com to register and for detailed information. Rain or shine. Join the 38-year-old State Park CBC scheduled by long tradition on New Year's Day. Teams and leaders will be assigned by chairs Shelia Hargis and Laurie Foss. To sign in contact Laurie at: BastropTXCBC@gmail.com. Website: bastropcbc.com. Rain or shine.

## Trail of Lights - Colorado River in Bastrop

BCAS members will host the gingerbread house in Fisherman's Park on Monday, December 21, 6-9:00 p.m. We hand out apple juice and cookies and discuss birds with the crowds on the River Walk.

