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## Bluebird Program for Parents and Children on April 28 at Dickson Mounds Museum

LEWISTOWN, IL – The Illinois State Museum-Dickson Mounds and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service-Chautauqua National Wildlife Refuge will be co-hosting a hands-on Bluebird Workshop for children and their parents/guardian on Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 10:00 a.m.-noon at Dickson Mounds. Kids ages 8 years and older with an adult may enjoy learning about bluebirds—how to identify one of the birds, its habitat requirements, migration patterns, its sounds and calls, and other wild facts. Adults and children will be able to work together and build their own bluebird house to take home. At the end of the program, participants may enjoy an optional hike to view bluebirds in the wild.

Participants should dress appropriately for this project and the outdoors. This program is for kids ages 8 years and older, with an adult (maximum two children per adult). Registration is required by Wednesday, April 25, 2018. Space is limited. Call 309-535-2290 or email <a href="mailto:illinoisriver@fws.gov">illinoisriver@fws.gov</a> to register or for more information. All materials and supplies will be provided. Admission is free; however, donations are welcome.

The Illinois State Museum-Dickson Mounds is located between Lewistown and Havana off Illinois Routes 78 and 97. The museum is open free to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. Tours and special programs are available for groups with reservations. For more information call 309-547-3721 or TTY 217-782-9175. Also visit us on Facebook at Illinois State Museum-Dickson Mounds or online at the Dickson Mounds link on the Illinois State Museum website at www.illinoisstatemuseum.org.