



Lake Erie Nature & Science Center

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‘VISIONS OF NATURE’ COMBINES IMAGES & MUSIC IN A FEAST FOR THE SENSES *SPECIAL FEBRUARY 21 EVENT BENEFITS LAKE ERIE NATURE & SCIENCE CENTER*

Bay Village, Ohio --- Striking images and music that celebrate the wonders of the natural world, along with the engaging insights of the photographer, will create a “feast for the senses” at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center on February 21. Hal Mitcheltree will combine his breathtaking photo art, unique observations and recordings of nature-inspired music to present “Visions of Nature” from 3 – 5 p.m.

Mr. Mitcheltree has been capturing and “sculpting” photographic images for 20 years. “I’ve loved the outdoors my entire life, but when I climbed my first 13,000 foot mountain in Rocky Mountain National Park back in the 1970s, my deep passion for nature ignited,” Mitcheltree said. He has since snapped photos in gorgeous natural settings in most of the 50 states from Maine to Hawaii as well as abroad from the British Isles to New Zealand and Australia. His stunning slide show includes panoramas that reveal the grand expanse of nature and macro close-ups that explore its fascinating intricacies.

A preview photo exhibit is currently on display at the Center in Bay Village. The February 21 program, which is appropriate for adults, teens and tweens will include time for conversation and refreshments provided by the Center’s Women’s Board, which is sponsoring the event. Tickets are \$5 per person and can be purchased in advance from the front desk at the Center.

All proceeds will benefit the non-profit Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, which provides wildlife exhibits and rehabilitation, planetarium and nature education programming to more than 190,000 people every year. Although the Center is located in Huntington Reservation, it is a separate, independent organization that relies on donations – not tax dollars – to fund its mission to “inspire and educate each of us to understand, appreciate and take responsibility for our natural universe.”

Hal Mitcheltree has also conducted music appreciation programs at area nature centers, libraries and at the YMCA of the Rockies. When he’s not taking or presenting pictures and music as an accomplished amateur, Mitcheltree is an information technology professional who holds a degree in Mathematics from Baldwin-Wallace College, where he also majored in Philosophy. He lives in Rocky River with his wife and son.

(Shorter Event Listing version)

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