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## Registration Open - Register Now!

### 2013 SBDN Bat Blitz

*28 July – 1 August*

The Southeastern Bat Diversity Network and Ozark Plateau National Wildlife Refuge are proud to announce the 2013 Bat Blitz, 28 July – 1 August. Site headquarters will be located at the Arrowhead Resort ([www.arrowhead-thunderbird.com](http://www.arrowhead-thunderbird.com)) on the scenic Illinois River in the Ozark Highlands of northeastern Oklahoma. Bunk beds for 100 have been reserved for the event. Additional camping, individual cabins, and RV hookups are available through the Resort office. The Resort will provide a free float trip for all registered participants. Food will be catered by various local vendors. Lodging facilities do have functional kitchens, air conditioners, and shower facilities.

Participants will have the opportunity to net bats within in the Oklahoma Ozarks. Teams will conduct surveys on the Ozark Plateau National Wildlife Refuge, The Nature Conservancy's Nickel Preserve, Cherokee Nation lands, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation lands, City of Tulsa land, as well as on other private lands. There is potential to net and photograph rare species such as the Ozark big-eared bat, though not guaranteed. All students and researchers who would like to collect data during the event (acoustics, DNA, use of transmitters, etc...), should contact Refuge Staff ([Shea\\_Hammond@fws.gov](mailto:Shea_Hammond@fws.gov)) and Ecological Service Biologist ([Richard\\_Stark@fws.gov](mailto:Richard_Stark@fws.gov)) immediately to assess needs, permitting, and logistics.

Registration will be limited to 100 participants. Lodging, food, travel to sites, a float trip, and a shirt are included in the registration fee. Cost is \$25 for students and \$50 for non-students. Please register early to ensure your slot! General information and registration forms can be found at: [www.SBDN.org](http://www.SBDN.org)

Looking forward to an awesome Bat Blitz!

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