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Florida's Unsung Wilderness: Its Swamps

WABASSO ISLAND, Fla. The first of the Environmental Learning Center's "Noted Environmentalist Lecture Series" will be presented by conservation photographer Connie Bransilver at 5 PM on December 16 at the ELC.

Ms. Bransilver, also an author and artist, is widely known for her multi-media slide, music and poetry lecture presentations on the value of the natural world.

She has made photographic journeys onto all seven continents but has a special interest in southwest Florida, where she resides. She has recently had a one-person show in the State Capital in Tallahassee, but she has had numerous exhibitions and prizes and she is the author of two books on the conservation of Florida's swamp wetlands.

The ticket price is \$15 for adults (\$12 for ELC members), and reservations can be made by calling 772-589-5050.

The Environmental Learning Center is located north of Vero Beach off County Road 510 at the western edge of the Wabasso Bridge. Its 64-acre island campus includes exhibit areas, native plant gardens, picnic facilities, gift shop and visitor center. A list of its many field excursions including hikes, boat excursions, nature walks and bird watching can be found at www.DiscoverELC.org.

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