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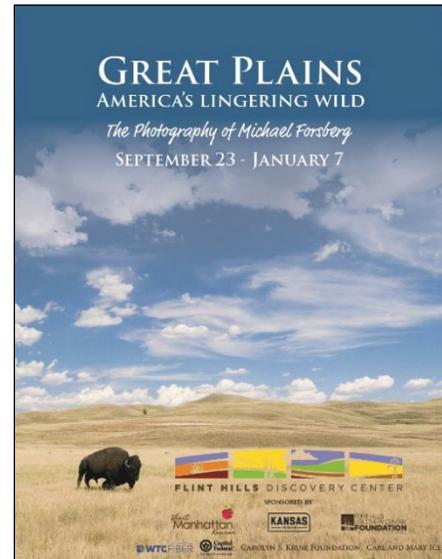
From the Desk of Lesley White, Executive Director
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“Great Plains – America’s Lingerin Wild Opening” September 23 - January 7

Experience the Great Plains through great photography! Discover the beauty and majesty of America’s Great Plains in the work of award-winning photographer Michael Forsberg, who crisscrossed the Plains from Canada to Mexico, capturing the wildlife, habitats, and conservation challenges in the heart of the continent. Inspiring, informative, and timely, the exhibit is a love letter to this endangered ecosystem.

Great Plains features:

- 60 full-color photographs highlighting the Southern Plains, Northern Plains, and Tallgrass Prairie regions
- Historical timeline showcasing Great Plains settlement through period photographs
- Maps and diagrams of the Great Plains
- Real tools and equipment used by Michael Forsberg on his photographic journey



Tickets NOW on Sale!

October 19, 2023, join us at 6:30 PM for an evening of **Bison, Beef & Bourbon**. Purchase tickets by visiting:

<https://event.auctria.com/f1c71645-7c07-4415-9c81-728de5fdc451/> or mail your check of \$125 per ticket to The FHDC Foundation 315 S. Third Street, Manhattan, KS 66502.



The Stanley Stout Center at 2200 Denison Ave. is the site of this year’s BBB Gala! Begin your evening of fun with a trail of bison and beef hors d’oeuvres from *Kite’s Aggieville Drafthouse* and signature cocktails made with Mark Nutsch’s famous *Horse Solider* bourbon as well as cocktails from *Boot Hill Distillery*. Enjoy a specialty brew and a selection of complimentary beer from *Manhattan Brewing Company*, along with wine supported by *The Fridge*. Live entertainment featuring Manhattan’s own, Dave Lewis Entertainment, is part of our 4th Annual BBB Gala!

Guests can bid on unique and exclusive items in our silent and live auctions throughout the evening. This year there is also a unique opportunity to purchase a chance to win a 3-night- 2-day famous Kentucky Bourbon Trail experience! With only 100 chances available you don't want to miss your opportunity to enjoy a sampling of iconic distillery tours and tastings.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Flint Hills Discovery Center educational programs.

Only eight Table Sponsorships remain. For an \$800 donation, you and your friends can gather for a great evening. Please contact me at 785-748-1275 or email fhdcfoundation1@gmail.com.

Upcoming Programs At the Discovery Center!

Guided Konza Hikes - Wednesday, October 11th from 5:30- 7:30 p.m. & Saturday, October 28th from 2-5 p.m.

- Come along for an immersive experience in the Flint Hills. Learn about the geological features of the Flint Hills and observe the native plant species of the season.



Reflective Nature Hike - Friday, October 6th, 2:30- 4 p.m.

- Nature is all around us. Discover it with an innovative program as you experience the outdoors in a new and relaxing way. Melanie Nord will teach you how to absorb or take in nature through meditative practice. Explore this technique at the Discovery Center before trying it in our beautiful downtown neighborhood.

Humanities Hike - Saturday, October 14th, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

- Hear from a variety of humanities scholars as they share their personal and professional takes on the Flint Hills landscape during this unique hike through a native tallgrass prairie at the Konza Prairie Biological Station. No pre-registration required.

To learn more about these programs and more or to register please visit:

<https://www.flinthillsdiscovery.org/169/Adult-Programs>

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