

Austin Butterfly Forum

Monday, August 28, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Zilker Botanical Garden Center

Moths

The Mysterious Majority

*Presented by
Valerie Bugh*



Luna Moth by Valerie Bugh

This meeting is free and open to the public.

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Of about 2000 species of lepidoptera found in the Hill Country, only 150 are butterflies. Moths are far more numerous and diverse than butterflies, including more varied lifestyles, far greater size range, and some rather surprising survival strategies. This program will cover both caterpillars and adults, identifying the major families as well as some oddities, and a look at the beauty of these often overlooked insects.

Val Bugh is a local naturalist specializing in the arthropods of the Austin area, with interests in taxonomy and photography. She runs the Fauna Project at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, leads insect discovery walks, teaches entomology courses, provides insect/spider identifications, gives talks to local organizations, and has published pocket guides to "Butterflies of Central Texas" and "Spiders of Texas." Website: [Austin Bug Collection](http://AustinBugCollection.com)