

Tag a Monarch Butterfly Saturday October 11



The Southwest Monarch Study is hosting a free community monarch tagging event in partnership with the Center for Native and Urban Wildlife (CNUW) at Scottsdale Community College on Saturday, October 11, 2025 at Two Waters Circle in the center of campus from 8:00 -10:00AM. We'll provide nets and train everyone who is interested how to confidently and safely tag a monarch butterfly on their migration through the greater Phoenix area. Where

will the monarch YOU tag go? Monarchs flying through Arizona can migrate to either Mexico or California for the winter – and a few even spend the winter here in the lower deserts. We will also radio-tag a few monarchs who pass a physical with a BluMorpho radiotag you can track on your smart phone! You can help us name these long distance fliers and follow their movements across the Southwest.



The Southwest Monarch Study has trained over 300 Community Scientists across the region to tag over 22,000 monarchs since 2003. October is the time of peak migration when a monarch you tag has the best chance of successfully flying to the overwintering sites in California or Mexico. Tagging monarchs helps identify the migration routes for future conservation efforts.

Want to know more about radiotags or download the free Project Monarch App? Visit:

<https://swmonarchs.org/ProjectMonarch.php>

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