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## Flight of the Butterflies in 3D SOARS ONTO THE IMAX SCREEN AT THE BULLOCK TEXAS STATE HISTORY MUSEUM

The Largest Screen in Texas Captures One of the Longest Migrations on Earth and the Inspiring True Story of One Scientist's Stunning Discovery.

Enjoy this film with your kids on Family Fun Day January 26, 2013

AUSTIN, TEXAS January 10, 2013 - *Flight of the Butterflies* is an awe-inspiring film based on a true story that follows the epic journey of the monarch butterfly beginning in Canada, traveling through the US with destination points in Austin and the Texas Hill Country, and ending in the mountains of central Mexico. One of the most incredible migrations on Earth, scientist Dr. Fred Urguhart spent 40 years trying to discover the mysteries surrounding the monarch's journey and secret winter hideaway.

What began with a small boy daydreaming about where butterflies went each winter became a lifelong pursuit that enlisted the help of volunteers known as "citizen scientists." These dedicated volunteers helped with tagging and tracking the butterflies in a decades-long quest that yielded the ultimate discovery of the monarch's overwintering sites in the peaks of central Mexico.

The first citizen scientist in Mexico was Catalina Aguado who spent two years searching in the mountains west of Mexico City under Dr. Urquhart's guidance before making the discovery of the monarch's destination that graced the cover of National Geographic magazine in August 1976. The only surviving member of the original discovery team, Ms. Aguado who now lives in Austin, Texas will be

on hand to introduce the film at the Bullock Museum on January 26, 2013 at 11:30am. She will also be available for questions and answers following the movie.

There will be free educational events planned for children that day beginning at 11 am - 3pm including instructions on planting a butterfly garden, creative art activities, storytelling, and much more.

## ABOUT THE BULLOCK TEXAS STATE HISTORY MUSEUM

The Bullock Texas State History Museum in Austin, Texas tells the *Story of Texas* with three floors of interactive exhibits, special effects films in the Texas Spirit Theater and Austin's IMAX® Theatre which features the largest screen in Texas. The museum's education department offers fun-filled educational programming for a wide audience. Former Lieutenant Governor Bob Bullock was the force behind the creation of the Bullock Museum which is a division of the State Preservation Board.