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Local Artist Shows Storybook Illustrations Made from Maryland Nature Photos

For her show 'Fairies of the Fields: An Intimate Look at the Life of Meadows' Rose Anderson combines three summers of local butterfly and bird photography into engaging digital illustrations. The exhibit runs from March 16 - May 9, 2016 at Irvine Nature Center, 11201 Garrison Forest Road, Owings Mills, MD. Enjoy a free reception Sunday March 20th from 3pm to 5pm. Young and old alike can play a fun interactive game to hunt for details in the artwork. Contact Irvine Nature Center at 443-738-9200.

Anderson's work invites viewers to experience the butterflies and birds of Maryland's wild field habitats as storybook characters and antique portraits, raising awareness for the conservation needs of these precious creatures. The nostalgic effects and old Victorian frames inspire viewers to help preserve the fragile worlds of real fairies before they too become faded memories. There will be an information board celebrating recent progress in wild field management thanks to a new cooperation between environmentally concerned citizens and Baltimore County Rec and Parks.

Rose Anderson is known for hanging around local parks with her camera, kneeling or lying on the ground to capture nature from a childlike point of view. Frequent visitors to Cromwell Valley Park, Cylburn Arboretum, and Hydes Road Park will easily recognize landmarks in her work. Anderson often says doesn't need to travel anywhere else when all of these of these fascinating creatures live right here in Maryland.