

## DANGEROUS BIRDS TAKE FLIGHT

A Dangerous Bird presentation at the upcoming ExpoSure sportsmen's and outdoors shows will bring you up close and personal to beaks and talons that can do damage.

Joe Krathwohl, aka The Birdman of Las Vegas, will bring a lineup of birds with unique reputations to the shows in Eugene, Roseburg, Medford and Anderson.

"It's a show that focuses on notoriously known dangerous birds," Krathwohl said. "The goal is to get people to understand and like the birds better, to get them to help the birds in their habitats going forward."

The sarus crane features a height of close to 6 feet and a wing span of 8 feet. It's the tallest flying bird in the world. Don't get too close because this crane in its marsh habitat uses its long beak like a harpoon, stabbing crabs, frogs and other small creatures at meal time.

The African giant pelican may look and seem harmless, but its beak is razor sharp and can cut through human flesh.

A steppe eagle and a bateleur eagle are also scheduled to appear. The steppe eagle, a close relative of the golden eagle, is known to have some of the strongest foot/talon pressure at 400 pounds for an adult bird. The bateleur eagle is also powerful with the ability to square off against a cobra and take that snake down.

The birds with their beaks and talons will bring you dangerously close to the edge of your seat.

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