

BUBBLES

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Great Blue Heron

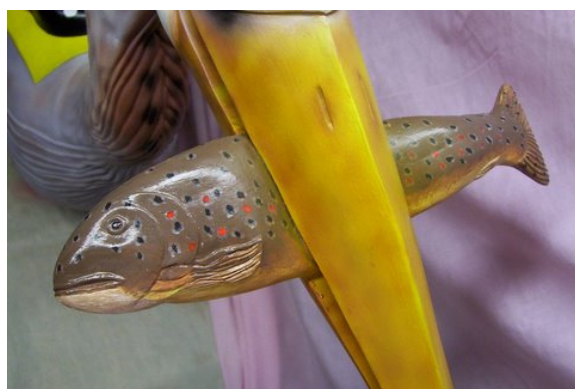
If you spend any of your Adirondack time quietly paddling a canoe or kayak, sooner or later you will come across a Great Blue Heron. The Blue Heron is a wading bird found mainly in North and Central America. They have long narrow bodies with grayish feathers, black eyebrows, and a long bill.

Their necks are long and their eyes are yellow or red. In some places these herons stay for the winter but not in The Adirondacks. There is not enough unfrozen water here for them to catch food. In the spring, the males return first, pick a nesting site, and wait for females to arrive.

Bubbles has the biggest Ladybug of all and it's hiding in plain sight! Did you find it?



On the tracks in Saranac Lake



Bubbles caught a brookie!



Great Blue Herons nest in groups, close to their food source. They reuse nests and build them larger each year. Nests can be 3 to 4 feet across. A group of heron nests is called a heronry or a rookery. Native Americans consider the heron a symbol of peace and good luck. When you see one, you'll think so too. The heronry in the pdf file was photographed in The Adirondacks.