

# ANIMALS IN PERIL DISPLAY

On Saturday, January 23rd Matt Ellerbeck set up a display at the Kingston Sustainability Centre to explain and educate people about endangered and at risk species. At the display he had a number of live species, all of which he adopted because he doesn't support animal trade. Some of these creatures included a fire salamander, ball python, ornate horn frog and yellow rat snake.

Ever since childhood Matt has loved all animals and believed they have every right to live peacefully on the planet with people. In 2005 he became an Animal Advocate, speaking on behalf of the species who can't speak for themselves. Travelling to different venues and speaking to people of all ages about wildlife conservation, ending animal cruelty and the recovery of species at risk, he explains how everyone can help as an individual. Some suggested methods are not supporting trades that are detrimental to animals, not buying clothing or accessories made from real animal fur or skin and to adopt animals from neglected homes or the humane society when looking for a pet.

There was much to be learned at the display and an interesting array of animals to see.

*Event by Kiara*



Matt Ellerbeck



Meet Aurora the Anaconda



One of Matt's snakes



The Animals in Peril display