



# FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

## WITH MR. GEORGE

### C. Fred Edwards Conservatory

In addition to art, this Museum was founded with the mission to be a proponent for, and an interpreter of, nature. This mission is manifested in the conservatory, which contains warm-growing, non-native plants. It is under the direction of Dr. Mike Beck.

The C. Fred Edwards Conservatory opened in 1996 and is West Virginia's only plant conservatory. It features tropical and subtropical plants. The plants in our collection fall into four general categories: Orchids, Agriculturally Important, Fragrant, and Unusual.



Our Orchid collection contains 100 varieties, which include hybrids and species.

## ACTIVITY

### Articulated Axolotl

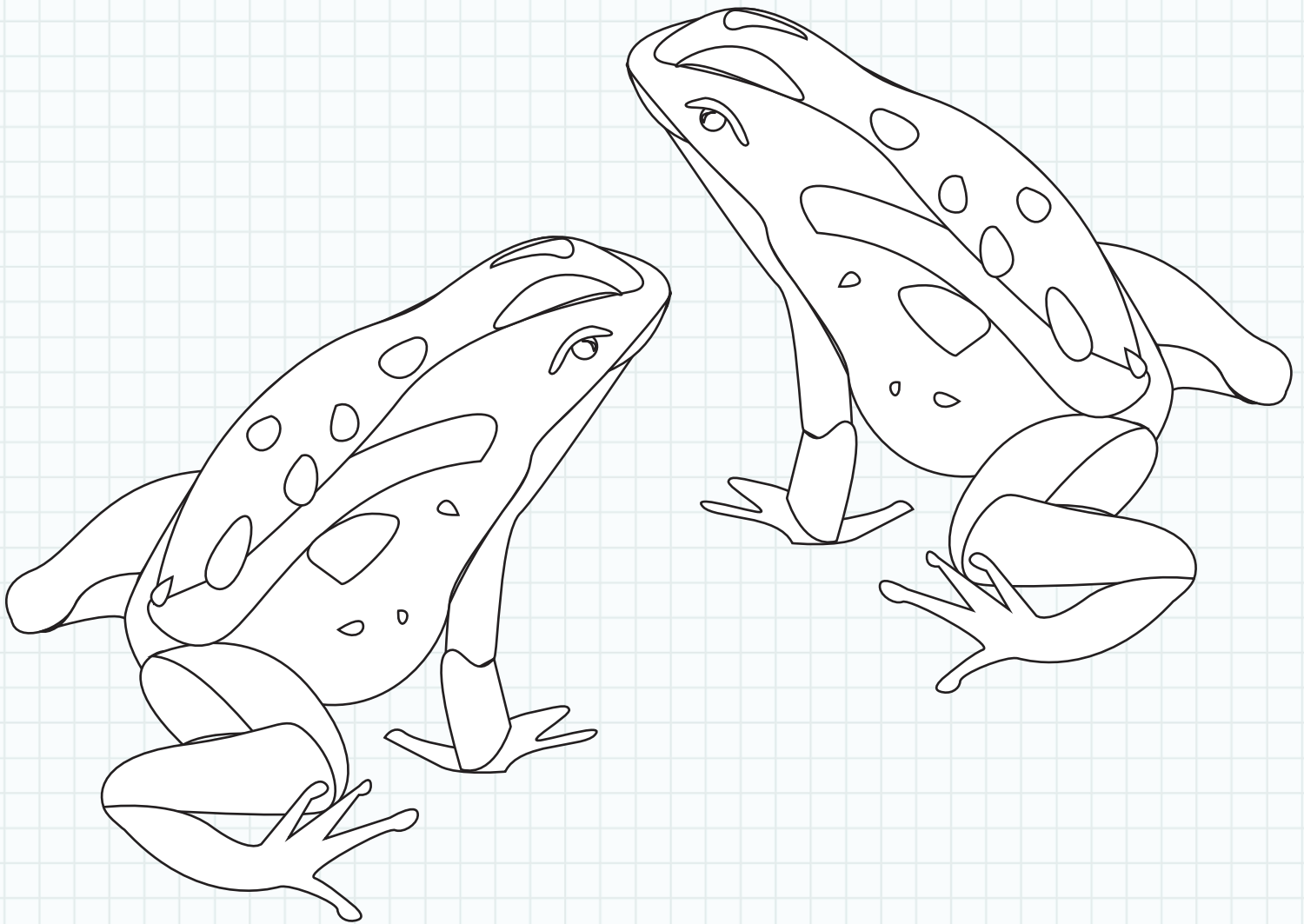
#### Materials:

Construction Paper  
Scissors  
Glue Stick  
Marker  
Pencil  
Tissue or Crepe Paper

- Fold paper diagonally. Cut off the extra paper so that you are left with a square.
- Fold each end toward the middle crease like you are making a paper airplane. Unfold to have 3 creases diagonally across your paper.
  - Fold the paper in half diagonally.
  - Use your ruler to measure every half inch for cutting.
- Make cuts with your scissors from the center of the paper toward the crease. Cut from the tail evenly. Leave enough uncut paper at the other end for the head.
  - Open up your paper.
  - Glue one of the outside triangles and fold it over the other uncut triangle.
- Cut along the crease, fold and glue to the other side, creating a flat surface for the head.
  - Cut out the head and glue it down. Template can be found online!
  - Glue on contrasting pieces of paper for the gills and limbs.
  - Decorate as you wish!



You can find many colorful creatures in the C. Fred Edwards Conservatoy. Color in these Dart Frogs and use your imagination to draw their natural habitat!



# Axolotl Template

