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Ara macao, known as Scarlet Macaw in Mexico, Guatemala and other Central American countries. It is distributed from Mexico to Brazil. Even though it is one of the most widely distributed, it is endangered due to the habitat loss and the pet trade (Vaughan et al 2008). Since this species has been eliminated from the Pacific slope and other areas of its historical distribution (Howell y Webb 1995), there are a lot of places that have a small number of individuals that keep safe from the external threats. One of these places is The Copan Ruins, in Honduras. This species is very important since it’s a very nice tourist attraction, and is one of the birds of the Maya’s history.
I took my first photograph of a macaw working at FLAAR. The bird has big incredible feathers, with amazing colors. I think that is one of the reasons people like them. The combination of the red, blue and yellow color in their feathers makes them a living piece of art. Thanks to places like The Copan Ruins people are able to see these animals.

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