



# Audubon GREENWICH

## Spring 2017 Calendar

For program details and ways to get involved, check out: [greenwich.audubon.org](http://greenwich.audubon.org)

### MARCH

**Sunday, March 12**

**Signs of Spring: Family-Fun Playdate**

**1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

**All Ages - \$5 member,  
\$8 non-member**

Help us celebrate the beginning of spring and learn how our local plants and animals wake up from winter. Activities include a live raptor demonstration, puppet show, crafts, snacks, a nature walk, and more! RSVP to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

**Saturday, March 18**

**Family Nestbox Workshop**

**2:00 - 3:30 p.m.**

**Ages 5 & up - \$5 member,  
\$8 non-member**

Learn how to host House Wrens, Chickadees and other birds in your own yard by providing a nestbox. Discover a variety of boxes, where to place them, and the types of birds they will attract. Kits and preassembled boxes available for preorder starting at \$25 ea. To RSVP and order kits, contact Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

**Sunday, March 19**

**Birding Field Trip to Sherwood Island State Park**

**8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

**Birders 6 & up - Free**

Westport CT's Sherwood Island State Park is a crucial Important Bird Area. Loons, Grebes, Ducks and Gulls are just a few of the birds you'll see on this trip. For details and to RSVP contact Ryan at 914-417-5234 or [rmaclean@audubon.org](mailto:rmaclean@audubon.org).



American Woodcock, *Scolopax Minor*

**Sunday, March 19**

**Printmaking Workshop**

**1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Ages 6 & up - \$15 Adult,  
one child free**

Join artist, C.J. Guerin, as she teaches the technique of printmaking. Participants will create and take home a beautiful piece of art. RSVP required to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

**Friday, March 24**

**Woodcock Watch & Owl Prowl**

**6:45 - 7:45 p.m. & 7:45 - 8:45 p.m.**

**Ages 6 & up - \$5 member,  
\$8 non-member**

Listen and watch for the calls and aerial performance of the American Woodcock as well as newly emerged Spring Peeper frogs. Stick around or drop in late for a short walk to search for some of our resident Owls. RSVP to Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

**Saturday, March 25**

**Birding 101: Bird Watching Basics**

**1:00 - 3:30 p.m.**

**Adults & Interested Youth Ages 8 & up - \$12 member, \$15 non-member, youth are free**

Following an indoor introduction to Ornithology, enjoy a walk of the Audubon Greenwich grounds as we learn to use binoculars, guides, and on-line resources that help make birding so much fun. RSVP required to Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

### APRIL

**Sunday, April 2**

**Animal Tale on a Trail:  
An Outdoor Storytelling Adventure**

**1:00 - 2:30 p.m.**

**All Ages - \$5 member,  
\$8 non-member**

Discover an exciting animal adventure as we walk through the woods. Families will keep their eyes peeled as our imaginations transform the trail into an immersive and entertaining story experience. RSVP to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

### Weekend Play Time

**Every Sunday**

**11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Join Eli in the Hilfiger Children's Learning Center every Sunday to meet some of the center's animals, learn about programs, and have fun in the newly renovated discovery space.

## Native Plant Sale 2017



**Preorder Your Plants  
By April 30  
Pick-up May 20-21**

For ordering and selection, contact  
Andy at [achapin@audubon.org](mailto:achapin@audubon.org)

Returning this April...

### Early Morning Bird Walks

~Free birding with Ted Gilman~

**Wednesdays:** April 5 – May 24

Fairchild Garden 7:00 - 8:30 a.m.

**Saturdays:** April 1 – May 20

Audubon Center 7:00 - 8:45 a.m.

**Saturday, April 8**

**Ponds & Vernal Pools: Search for  
Frogs, Salamanders, & More!**

**2:00 - 3:30 p.m.**

**All Ages - \$5 member,  
\$8 non-member**

Join us for a visit to a vernal pool and our teaching pond to look and listen for breeding wood frogs, spring peepers, spotted salamanders, and other pond life. RSVP to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

**Sunday, April 9**

**Birding Field Trip to Stratford, CT**

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Birders 6 & up - Free**

We'll explore several Important Bird Areas including Audubon's Stratford Point and Long Beach in search of flocks of gulls, waterfowl, raptors and other birds. For details and to RSVP contact Ryan at 914-417-5234 or [rmaclean@audubon.org](mailto:rmaclean@audubon.org).

**Saturday, April 15**

**Birding Class: Birding by Ear**

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Adults & Interested Youth Ages 8 & up - \$12 member, \$15 non-member, youth are free**

Join Ted Gilman as he shares some of the tricks and techniques used for identifying birds by their calls and songs. After a short indoor introduction to bird vocalizations, head outside for a walk to practice your newly acquired Birding-by-Ear skills. RSVP required to Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

**Saturday, April 22**

**Spring Wildflower Ecology and Photo Walk**

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

**Ages 5 and up - \$5 member, \$8 non-member**

Learn about the natural history of early spring wildflowers. Discover the ecological niches and pollinators of these fragile woodland treasures. Bring a camera or cell phone to snap some pictures. RSVP to Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

**Sunday, April 30**

**What's the Buzz? The Amazing World of Bees**

1:00 - 3 p.m.

**All Ages Welcome - \$5 member, \$8 non-member**

Celebrate the new honeybee colony in our observation hive and discover the amazing lives of bees. Outside, we'll see how planting native flowers, shrubs, and trees supports bees and other pollinators. RSVP to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

**MAY**

**Saturday, May 6**

**Birding Class: Wood Warblers & Other Neotropical Migrants**

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Adults and Interested Youth Ages 8 and up - \$12 member, \$15 non-member, Youth are Free**

Introductory talk and field walk to learn the characteristics, adaptations, life histories, and behaviors of these colorful springtime migrants. Additionally, learn

some identification tips and resources for continued study. RSVP required to Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

**Tuesday, May 9**

**Moonlit Bird Migration Walk**

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

**Ages 6 and up - \$5 member, \$8 non-member**

As twilight gives way to dark, migrant bird species can be spotted using the unique aid of the full moon as it rises through the trees. Join Ted Gilman for an indoor introduction and evening birding walk. RSVP to Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

**Saturday, May 13**

**International Migratory Bird Day: Annual Early Morning Bird Walk and Bird Breakfast**

6:30 - 9:00 a.m.

**All Ages Welcome - Walk is Free Breakfast - \$10 per person**

Join Audubon Greenwich as we celebrate the incredible journeys of neotropical migrant birds. Stick around after the bird walk for food and conversation with your fellow bird lovers. RSVP to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

**Sunday, May 14**

**Birding Field Trip to Rosa Hartman Park**

7:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**Birders 6 & up - Free**

Rosa Hartman Park in Greenwich provides a green oasis in an otherwise developed area for migrating Warblers, Vireos, Orioles, Tanagers, Grosbeaks and others. This trip will fall right at the peak of spring migration. For details and to RSVP contact Ryan at 914-417-5234 or [rmaclean@audubon.org](mailto:rmaclean@audubon.org).

**Saturday, May 20**

**Fast Food for Birds: Insects On Our Native Plants**

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

**All Ages Welcome - \$5 member, \$8 non-member**

As neotropical migrants return from their wintering areas, emerging insects and other invertebrates provide them with essential foods. Search our local plant life for insects, spiders, and other small creatures as well as the birds that feed on them. RSVP to Ted at 203-930-1353 or [tgilman@audubon.org](mailto:tgilman@audubon.org).

**Saturday, May 20 & Sunday, May 21 Annual Native Plant Sale & Pick-up**

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Visit Audubon Greenwich to purchase a wide selection of native plants to beautify your garden and provide wildlife habitat! Also pickup plants that were preordered by the April 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.

**Sunday, May 21**

**Alien Invaders: Scavenger hunt**

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**All Ages Welcome - \$5 member, \$8 non-member**

You may not realize it, but there are invaders all around you! Begin with a short introduction to invasive species and their impacts. Join us outside as we put on our detective gear and search for plants and animals from outside our area. RSVP to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

**Saturday, May 21**

**Turtle Nesting Time**

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

**All Ages Welcome - \$5 member, \$8 non-member**

Learn about turtle natural history, nesting behavior and how to help protect these important creatures as you meet some of our resident reptiles. Join a hike to Mead Lake in search of nesting turtles. RSVP to Eli at [eschaffer@audubon.org](mailto:eschaffer@audubon.org).

**Summer Camp Registration is Open!**

**Fun weekly themes include:**

- ♦ Backwoods Explorers
- ♦ Creepy Crawlies
- ♦ Aquatic Adventures
- ♦ Twilight Investigations

**Exciting new specialty camps for Grades 6-9:**

- ♦ Nature Animation (6/10 - 6/14)
- ♦ Wild Jobs (6/31 - 7/4)
- ♦ Wilderness Survival (7/14 - 7/18)

Register online by visiting [greenwich.audubon.org](http://greenwich.audubon.org) and clicking on the summer camp registration link to our secure portal. For more information, contact Gigi Lombardi at 203-930-1351 or [glombardi@audubon.org](mailto:glombardi@audubon.org)

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