



Audubon GREENWICH

Summer 2017 Calendar

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JUNE

Saturday, June 3

**Birding Field Trip
Doodletown, NY**

7:15 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Birders 6 & up - Free

The rocky hillsides of this area of Bear Mountain State Park in NY are home to many uncommon birds and animals. Some of the species you can expect to see include Hooded & Cerulean Warblers and Yellow-Billed Cuckoo. Second stop at Sterling Forest if time permits. Trip limited to 15 people. For travel details and required RSVP, contact Ryan at 914-417-5234 or rmaclean@audubon.org.

Saturday & Sunday, June 10 & 11

Summer Bird Count

Ages 10 & up - Free

Join Teams of birders as they count as many birds as possible. Audubon Greenwich will be coordinating teams for our 15-mile count circle covering areas of Greenwich and Stamford as well as parts of Westchester. Suitable for all levels of birding experience. Persons interested should contact Ted at 203-930-1353 or tgilman@audubon.org.

Sunday, June 11

**Family Play Date:
Numbers in Nature**

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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

In recognition of the annual Summer Bird Count, join us in the Hilfiger Children's Learning Center for a family-fun program all about the numbers we find in nature. Whether just learning to count to ten, or practicing multiplication tables, your child can use their growing math skills to unlock the magic of the world around them. Activities include crafts, animals and a nature walk. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

Saturday, June 17

Family Pond Exploration

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

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

Join an Audubon naturalist at the Georgie's Pond teaching pavilion to learn about the plants and wildlife we can find in this special habitat. Using nets, buckets and other tools, you will discover an entire world if you just look below the surface. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

Thursday, June 29

Firefly Night

8:30 - 9:30 p.m.

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

Capture the magic of early summer by unleashing your inner child. Join us to learn about these enchanting creatures and catch a glimpse of their mesmerizing bioluminescence. Bring your own jar with hole-punched lid or borrow one of ours. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

JULY

Saturday, July 1

North American Butterfly Count

Introduction: 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Field Counts: 10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

All Ages - Free

Begin by learning the basics of butterfly identification and counting procedures for this annual census of nature's most colorful insect. Then, become an Audubon Citizen Scientist by helping us count. Persons interested in the introduction or in butterfly counting for any part of the day should contact Ted at 203-930-1353 or tgilman@audubon.org.

Audubon Greenwich: On the Town

Join an Audubon Naturalist at local festivals to have fun at our table!

Touch-a-Truck

June 4: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Experience the Sound

June 25: 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Stamford Harborfest

August 27: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 9

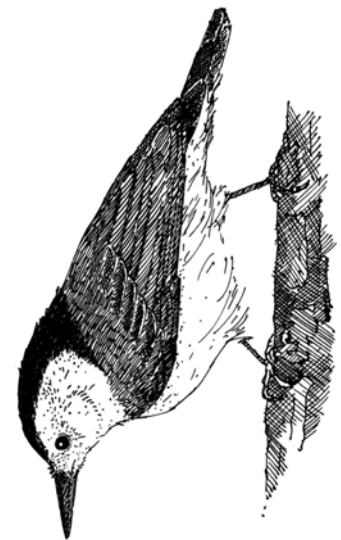
Animal Tale on a Trail:

An Outdoor Storytelling Adventure

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Ages 1 to 6 - \$5 member, \$8 non-member

Discover an exciting animal adventure as we walk through the woods. Families will keep their eyes open for elements of the story hidden among the trees as they are guided on an immersive and entertaining story experience. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.



One of our bird-feeder favorites, the White-breasted Nuthatch, *Sitta carolinensis*, is easily spotted by its characteristic, gravity-defying strolls along tree trunks.

Thursday, July 13

Family Fire & Bushcraft Fun

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

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

Join us for an evening of family fun by the firelight. Start by learning the tricks of building a fire that matches your needs, from survival situation to s'mores creation. Discover the world of bushcraft wilderness survival techniques as you enjoy marshmallows and a story by the fire. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

Sunday, July 16

Birding Field Trip

White Memorial in Litchfield

8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Birders 6 & up - Free

The 4,000 acre White Memorial Preserve in Litchfield contains a variety of different habitats and wildlife not found in Greenwich. Some species you might encounter include Ruffed Grouse, Blackburnian Warbler and Virginia Rail. Trip limited to 15 people. For travel details and required RSVP, contact Ryan at 914-417-5234 or rmaclean@audubon.org.

Sunday, July 23

Family Play Date:

Summer Swelter

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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

Join us to discover how local wildlife are adapted to deal with the summer heat. And while we're at it, have you ever wondered what heat is in the first place and where it comes from? With fun planned for inside and under the shade of our trees, come escape the summer swelter to learn all about temperature. Activities include crafts, animals, and a nature walk. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

Saturday, July 29

Dragonfly & Damselfly Survey

Introduction: 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Field Counts: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 7 & up - FREE

Become a citizen scientist by joining us for a short introduction to local dragonflies and damselflies followed by an annual survey for these species on the Audubon Greenwich grounds. A great way to get out and experience nature while helping to create valuable scientific data. Persons interested in the introduction or in

counting for any part of the day should contact Ted at 203-930-1353 or tgilman@audubon.org.

Saturday & Sunday, July 29 & 30

Summer Honey Harvest

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

All Ages - FREE with admission to the center

Join the Back Yard Beekeepers Association as they harvest honey from our local bee hives. Attendees can get a chance to spin the extractor as it pulls honey from honeycomb. Honey will be available for purchase while supplies last. No RSVP required.

AUGUST

Thursday, August 10

Wine, Cheese & a Moonlit Walk

7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Adults only - \$5 member, \$8 non-member

Gather in the newly renovated Asnes Barn to enjoy drinks, food and conversation in the setting of a beautiful, historic barn. Afterwards walk the paved accessible trail to take in the sights and sounds of a moonlit summer evening. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

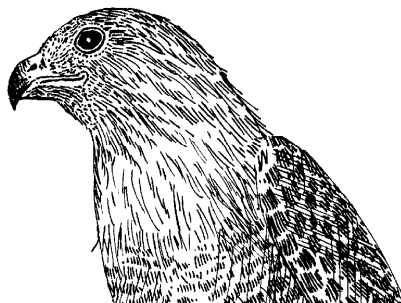
Sunday, August 13

Birding Field Trip: Shorebird Migration in Milford & Stratford

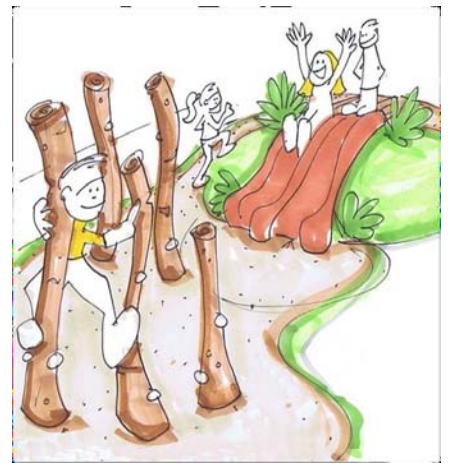
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Birders 6 & up - Free

August is peak shorebird migration time and the beaches along Milford and Stratford Point are the best locations in Connecticut to view this spectacle. Learn how to distinguish the different species of Sandpipers, Plovers, Terns and more as we witness their journey southward. For travel details and required RSVP, contact Ryan at 914-417-5234 or rmaclean@audubon.org.



Red-shouldered Hawk, *Buteo lineatus*



Sunday, August 20

Family Play Date:

Nature Play Trail Bonanza

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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

Join Audubon naturalists on the Nature Play Trail for an afternoon of fun outdoor learning. Stations will be set up at each of the play trail elements highlighting ways nature play can create lasting family memories and meaningful learning moments. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

Sunday, August 27

Hawk Watch Kick-off

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

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

Did you know that an average of 20,000 hawks, eagles, falcons and vultures migrate over our Quaker Ridge Hawk Watch every fall? Join Ryan MacLean as we kick off another hawk-watching season to learn how to identify and tally raptors at Audubon Greenwich and other hawk watch sites. Following a presentation in Kiernan Hall, head out to the Hawk Watch lawn and use binoculars to see raptors up close. Bring your own binoculars or borrow one of our loaner pairs. Picnic refreshments will be served on the lawn afterwards. RSVP to Eli at 203-930-1349 or eschaffer@audubon.org.

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