**A Walk in the Woods**

by Caitlin Wisbeski, Nature Store Manager, and Janet Drake, Nature Store Buyer

Even on a dreary Portland day, the Portland Audubon Sanctuary is a bright spot during the holiday season. Take a walk in the woods through our beautiful sanctuary trails, say hello to our education birds at the Wildlife Care Center, and stop by the Nature Store to warm up after your hike. Even in the winter months, the Portland Audubon Sanctuary is busy with activity.

The Nature Store is proud to support the education programs, conservation efforts, Wildlife Care Center, and Nature Sanctuary of Portland Audubon. 100% of store profits go back into Portland Audubon, generating about $200,000 annually. Our longtime motto, “Where the profits are for the birds!” continues to ring true. The Nature Store also loves to support local artisans and strives to choose products that fit with our mission of bird and nature conservation. Here in one of Portland’s top nature-themed stores, you are sure to find the perfect gift for any nature lover on your list, while giving back to birds, nature, and wildlife conservation.

**Local Crafters and Artisans**

We are always on the lookout for new local products, but there are some local crafters that have been a staple in the Nature Store for years. Garden Artworks is one of our favorite local brands for bird seed and suet feeders, bird houses for a variety of PNW species, and now mason bee houses and supplies. Let the Nature Store and Garden Artworks help transform your greenspace into a sanctuary for native pollinators! Native Mason Bees and Leaf Cutter Bees are docile, hiveless, and even more industrious pollinators than honeybees. Supporting a healthy population of native pollinators promotes balanced and thriving ecosystems, increases crop production, and is a fun and low-maintenance hobby to share with kids. Pick up a bundle of natural reeds from Crown Bees ($21 for 50) and shelter them in a Garden Artworks Mason Bee House (starting at $25). Mason Bees readily take to these reeds in spring, and the Western Red Cedar house will last for years to come.

New to the Nature Store are native seeds and seed mixes from the Willamette Valley’s own Steele Acres Native Seed Farm. Support local habitat and the wildlife that depends on native plants by planting your very own native garden! The Nature Store is currently carrying a selection of Steele Acres’ perennial seeds, as well as a Willamette Valley Pollinator Mix. Many seed mixes can be planted in fall or overwintered in the refrigerator for sowing in spring. Pick up a 10-gram pack for just $8.00.

**Stocking Stuffers Galore**

The Nature Store has what you need to stuff every stocking on your list, with toys and gifts for the young and young at heart.

Show off your love for Northwest native wildlife with an enamel pin from Eagle River Designs. With beautiful color and enamel detail, each pin is made in the USA and is also come with an interpretive card detailing traits, behaviors, and natural history. Look for your favorite northwest bird or animal—these pins make great stocking stuffers and are sure to catch the eye!

Perfect for the young birder, Audubon Singing Birds feature scientifically accurate birdsong when squeezed, courtesy of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. The Nature Store carries singing birds in many of the Northwest’s most recognizable species, like the House Finch, Steller’s Jay, Pileated Woodpecker, Bald Eagle, and more. Collect your favorites!

Since 1988, Washington-based Chukar Cherries has been producing delicious snacks and candies using locally grown Pacific Northwest fruits, berries, and nuts. Chukar Cherries has built its reputation around fresh, natural ingredients. All Chukar products are free of artificial ingredients, including preservatives, sulfites, and artificial colorings and flavors. The Nature Store carries flavorful blends such as Triple Cherry Nut and Berry & Pistachio. $3.15 member price

**Holiday Store Hours**

Monday–Saturday ..........................10am–6pm
Sunday ........................................10am–5pm
Christmas Eve ............................10am–2pm
Christmas Day ................................Closed
New Year’s Eve .............................10am–3pm
New Year’s Day .............................Closed

**Holiday Cheer**

Brighten up any holiday tree or display with a Cobane blown-glass bird ornament. Each bird is hand painted with attention to every detail. Look for your favorite local bird species including Cedar Waxwing, Yellow Warbler, White-breasted Nuthatch, and many more!

**HOLIDAY SPECIAL**

Buy 3 Cobane bird ornaments for only $40. Regularly $16 each. Offer valid between November 20 and December 24.

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View this Warbler and many past issues in full color on our website! Go to audubonportland.org/static/newsletter and enjoy your enjoyment of our popular newsletter!
**NATURE NIGHTS**

Portland Audubon's 2018-2019 Nature Night Speakers Series is committed to presenting entertaining and expert talks on natural history, wildlife, and conservation issues. Nature Night is a chance for the community to engage with naturalists, authors, artists, enthusiasts, and scientists about issues that affect the world around us. With topics ranging from hidden places of the Pacific Northwest, to diversity in the conservation movement, to bats, there is a talk for everyone. Our series takes place on the second Tuesday of the month, September through May (unless otherwise noted).

To RSVP to any or all of our Nature Nights and receive quick entry, go to bit.ly/FANatureNight (case sensitive).

**Tuesday, December 4 7pm • Heron Hall**

**Saving the Cormorants of East Sand Island with Bob Sallinger, Portland Audubon Conservation Director**

In 2015, the US Army Corps of Engineers launched a plan to shoot upwards of 10,000 Double-crested Cormorants and destroy more than 26,000 cormorant nests at the world largest cormorant colony on East Sand Island at the mouth of the Columbia River. This misguided plan, which would eliminate 15% of the entire Double-crested Cormorant population in the Western United States, was driven by a scientifically unsupported strategy to protect threatened salmon runs on the Columbia River. The Corps proceeded with this plan despite overwhelming public opposition, protests, and litigation until the entire cormorant colony collapsed in 2017. Today the prosecution of cormorants continues while the federal government fails to address the primary causes of salmon declines on the Columbia. Sadly, this project perpetuates a long and troubling history of publicly funded federal programs engaging in the wanton slaughter of protected wildlife.

Portland Audubon Conservation Director Bob Sallinger has spent years on the front lines of fighting the US government cormorant-killing program as well as federal wildlife-killing programs. Bob will discuss the current status of Double-crested Cormorants, what needs to be done to protect both cormorants and salmon on the Columbia River, and efforts to reign in publicly funded US government wildlife killing programs.

**DECEMBER 2018**

www.audubonportland.org
Portland Audubon Outings

Join a free, volunteer-led bird walk to one of our many fantastic natural areas. Please register through Meetup, a website/mobile application that facilitates bringing people with common interests together. Join by going to meetup.com/Portland-Audubon-Outings and clicking Join Us. You will find the full descriptions of these outings on the Meetup group. Contact Erin Law at elaw@audubonportland.org or call 971-222-6119 with any questions.

Bring binoculars and dress for the weather. Beginners welcome!

**December 6 (Thu) 9–11am**
Dawson Creek
Leader: Richard Arnold

**December 8 (Sat) 8–10:30am**
Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge
Leader: Erik Bergman

A Special Thank You to Portland Audubon Members

by Tony Arnell, Membership Manager

Year after year, loyal members help sustain a 116-year legacy of saving and restoring wildlife habitat around Oregon. From Peregrine Falcons that nest on Portland bridges to the Greater Sandhill Cranes in the meadows of Malheur National Wildlife Refuge, the ecological diversity across the state is something to truly treasure and work to protect.

We hope you take pride in knowing that your generosity has made such a difference for wildlife and our community. Thanks to you, just this past year, members helped us undertake critical conservation initiatives like the passage of the first-ever clean energy fund for climate justice in the nation in the November election, treat more than 3,000 injured and orphaned animals, from hummingbirds to Great Blue Herons, at the Wildlife Care Center, and successfully open a re-envisioned Marmot Cabin, presenting a special opportunity for youth to connect with the land and wildlife at the foot of Mt. Hood.

The future for Portland Audubon is very exciting as we continue to engage with an increasing diversity of people, some who may have never experienced the sights and sounds—and joy—that come from being immersed in nature. We are working expand our efforts to connect people from all backgrounds to love and protect nature, and we are so fortunate to have your partnership in this critical work. Thank you for all you do for the wildlife, and people, across Oregon. We look forward to another exciting year ahead!

We gratefully acknowledge these special gifts:

**In Memory**
Amy Frank
Ian Cartwright
Norman L. Henwood
Clate James
Marlene McBurney
Jane Miles
Patti Johnson
Anonymous
Findley Randolph
Cotton and Susan
Randolph Boveman
Harriet Randolph
Anderson

**In Honor**
Jennifer Parks
Kristi Turknic
Nick Hardigg
Kathryn Hintz

Honor a special person in your life with a significant gift that’s meaningful to you. They’ll be listed in the directory and sent a songbird card acknowledging the donation. Just visit our website, or call 971-222-6130.

Come Drink to the Stars at Ecliptic Brewery on Sunday, December 16!

Ecliptic Brewery at 825 N. Cook St. will donate 10% of their pub sales all day (11am to 10pm) to Portland Audubon’s Lights Out program!

Ecliptic Brewing is a venture from Oregon craft-brewing icon and astronomer aficionado John Harris. The name Ecliptic is a nod to the earth’s yearly path around the sun, and the brewery celebrates this planetary journey with a buffalo of beers honoring the night sky, including Orbiter IPA, Star Party Stout IPA, Mars Mâizen, and Starburst IPA. In addition, Ecliptic offers a delicious food menu that rotates every six weeks with the astronomical calendar: Sambhun, Winter Solstice, Brighid, Spring Equinox, Beltaine, Summer Solstice, Lammas, and the Autumnal Equinox.

Ecliptic’s love of the stars pairs brilliantly with Portland Audubon’s Lights Out program, which seeks to preserve the night sky for migrating and nesting birds, mammals, fish, amphibians, plants and human health and culture.

Mark your calendars to come out and visit the brewery and eat and drink to the stars with us!
O n November 6, our community took a strong stand for our environment and equity and stood up against forces that seek to divide us and marginalize the most vulnerable among us. Voters overwhelmingly passed the Portland Clean Energy Initiative, the Portland Honest Elections Initiative, and the Metro Affordable Housing Measure, and strongly rejected Measure 105, which would have repealed Oregon’s anti-profiling law.

Perhaps even more important than the victories of election day was how we did it. Huge, broad progressive coalitions were formed that included environmental groups, environmental justice groups, communities of color, housing advocates, local businesses, labor, communities of faith. Thousands of people took to the streets in true grassroots campaigns, collecting signatures, knocking on doors, distributing lawn signs, making phone calls, hosting house parties, and talking to their friends and neighbors about the need to take control of our communities and our future.

We move forward knowing that Portland will have upwards of $30 million a year to fight climate change with priority placed on supporting frontline communities that bear the brunt of our environmental challenges. Our local elections will be cleaner and fairer due to strong limitations on corporate contributions. Our region will have funds to build upwards of 12,000 new affordable-housing units. Our state has said no to hate by standing up for our 33-year-old anti-profiling law.

There is lots of work ahead. In the coming weeks and months, we will be working with our partners to implement the Portland Clean Energy Fund and develop projects to move Portland toward a greener and cleaner energy future. We will also be working with partners to push back on the Portland Business Alliance, which led the opposition to the Portland Clean Energy Fund as well as many other recent environmental initiatives in Portland and beyond. The PBA claims it speaks for over 1,600 hundred businesses when it pursues its aggressive anti-environmental agenda. We plan to test that assumption. We will continue to work with the One Oregon Coalition, which led the opposition to Ballot Measure 105—hopefully the resounding defeat of 105 sent a strong message that dignity and respect are core Oregon values, but in case the forces behind 105 did not get the message, we will be ready.

Thank you to everybody who volunteered on these campaigns, who voted, canvassed, made phone calls, distributed lawn signs and who stood up for a healthier and more equitable future for people and wildlife in our state!

### Sign Up for the 2018 Christmas Bird Count

**by Joe Liebezeit, Staff Scientist, and Candace Larson, CBC Compiler**

J oin the 93rd annual Portland Christmas Bird Count (CBC) on Saturday, January 5, 2019! The Audubon CBC is the longest running community science project in North America. The results have provided critical information on the status and changes in bird populations over the past 118 years. The Audubon Society of Portland conducted its first Christmas Count in 1926. Last year 264 field observers and 130 feeder watchers found 128 species. Those 394 participants made the Portland CBC the second largest in the United States!

The Portland CBC results are sent to the National Audubon Society and fed into a data set that encompasses over 1,000 CBC circles across North America and as far south as Paraguay. The CBC is one of the longest running large-scale wildlife data sets in existence. Over 200 studies have been published using the data, and findings have been used to inform important management and conservation decisions that have helped bird protection efforts across their flyways.

A great way to participate in the CBC is as a Field Observer. It’s the perfect opportunity for birders of all levels to enjoy a day outdoors and sharpen their birding skills. The Portland CBC circle is 15 miles in diameter and is broken down into 5 areas. Each area is broken down further into sub-areas. Take a look at the map of the Portland CBC circle and pick an area you would like to help cover: bit.ly/CBCMap. Contact the Area Leader who will tell you where and what time to meet on January 5. Most teams go out for the whole day, 7am–5pm, but you can make arrangements if you need to stop earlier. If you have any questions, contact Joe Liebezeit at jliebezeit@audubonportland.org or 971-222-6121 or Candace Larson (clarson@audubonportland.org).

Portland Audubon was proud to stand with groups like the Coalition of Communities of Color, NAACP, Verde, Causa, and so many others. Those grassroots coalitions will transcend this election and help build a stronger, more equitable future for all members of our community.

Grassroots groups send a message to the Portland Business Alliance at its event at the Portland Art Museum, November 19. The PBA has long opposed to some of Portland’s most important environmental initiatives including the Portland Clean Energy Fund and the Portland Clean Energy Fund at City Hall Press Conference. Photo by Becky Matsubara (via video from Washington DC) show their support for the Portland Clean Energy Fund at City Hall Press Conference. Portland Audubon was proud to stand with groups like the Coalition of Communities of Color, NAACP, Verde, Causa, and so many others. Those grassroots coalitions will transcend this election and help build a stronger, more equitable future for all members of our community.

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### Election Round-up: Big Wins for Environment and Equity!

by Bob Sal linger, Conservation Director

### A Few of Oregon’s Winter Residents

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What to bring: Binoculars, of course! Be prepared for a day outdoors in Oregon in the winter. That means warm clothes, rainwear, and waterproof shoes. The counts are generally held as scheduled, rain or shine. Bring a bag lunch and snacks. Last but not least, bring an enthusiastic attitude and a willingness to search quietly and patiently for birds. All Christmas Bird Counts are free.

### For-up-to-date Christmas Bird Count info, see bit.ly/CBCPDX.

For other CBC counts in NW Oregon and SW Washington, see bit.ly/CBCPNW.

### Area Leaders for Portland Count (Saturday, January 5, 2019)

#### Area 1 (Columbia Riparian)
Colby Neuman
801-598-4437
colby.neuman@gmail.com

#### Area 2 (Southeast Portland)
Dan Strong
971-413-2735
danstrong@gmail.com

#### Area 3 (Lake Oswego)
Lynn Herring
Lynn.herring@audubon.org

#### Area 4 (Beaverton)
Carol Murdock
503-956-6859
carolmurdock54@gmail.com

#### Area 5 (Northwest Hills/Forest Park)
Joe Liebezeit
971-222-6121 or 503-329-6026
jliebezeit@audubonportland.org

Photo by Mick Thompson. Photo by Becky Matsubara. Photo by Hayley Crews.
Ecotours
See full descriptions at audubonportland.org/trips-classes-camps/adult.

Jamaica
February 9–17, 2019
Escape the cold, dark days of winter and join us on this unforgettable trip to the heart and soul of the Caribbean. White sand beaches, warm ocean breezes, turquoise-blue water... all this and more await you in this island paradise. Jamaica is home to 28 endemic birds and with a little luck, we will see them all!

Leaders: Stefan Schlick and local guides
Fee: $2,995 members / $3,295 non-members

Ohio: Magee Marsh
May 10–17, 2019
Magee Marsh and the adjacent Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge are famous for attracting phenomenal numbers of migratory birds, including more than 20 species of waterfowl. We’ll also visit Huron National Forest in Michigan where successful fire management of Jack Pine has led to an increase in numbers of Kirtland’s Warbler, North America’s rarest warbler.

Leader: Patty Newland
Fee: $2,395 member / $2,595 non-member

Winter Break Camps 2018
Register online at audubonportland.org—or call Tara Lemezis at 971-222-6131.
All camps run 8:45am-4:15pm unless otherwise stated.

Monday, December 17
Crazy for Candles
Grades: 1–3
Join us for a day of learning the craft of candle making! Candles have been used as a source of light to illuminate the dark for more than 5,000 years and symbolize a celebration, honor a ceremony, soothe the senses, and cast a warm and lovely glow to the cold days of winter. You’ll work with beeswax, wicks, and molds to create beautiful and functional candles to brighten up your home.
Fee: $65 member / $75 non-member
Pick Up / Drop Off: Audubon House

Fridays, December 21 & 28
Junior Wildlife Vet 102
Grades: 4–8
Join other animal lovers for a day devoted to learning about the care of injured and orphaned wildlife. We’ll go behind the scenes of our W&M&G Care Center with wildlife rehabilitators and find out what this exciting job is all about.
Fee: $70 member / $80 non-member
Pick Up / Drop Off: Upper Macleay Park
Time: Overnight, Mon–Tues

Monday, December 24 & 25
No Camp due to Holiday

Monday, December 25
Elk Extravaganza
Grades: 4–8
Jump on board for an all-inclusive hayride as we study Elk at Jewett Meadows Wildlife Preserve. Learn to track as we follow elk trails through the woods, and view the beauty of the snow-covered landscape. Participate in an elk feeding program and safely see these majestic mammals up close.
Fee: $70 member / $80 non-member
Pick Up / Drop Off: Upper Macleay Park

Wednesday, December 26
Junior Wildlife Vet 101
Grades: 1–3
Join other animal lovers for a day devoted to learning about the care of injured and orphaned wildlife. We’ll go behind the scenes of our W&M&G Care Center with wildlife rehabilitators and learn what this exciting job is all about.
Fee: $70 member / $80 non-member
Pick Up / Drop Off: Audubon House

Thursday, December 27
Snowshoe Hares to Polars Bears
Grades: 1–3
Have you ever wondered how the smallest birds handle the winter weather? How about the largest bears? Come spend a day journeying within the Portland Audubon Sanctuary exploring the amazing and unique adaptations that animals use to cope with the harsh winter weather. We’ll also track the woods for animal sign and end the day working with the specimens that can teach us the most about the wonderful world of winter animal survival.
Fee: $65 member / $75 non-member
Pick Up / Drop Off: Audubon House

Friday, December 28
Staying Warm in Winter
Grades: 1–3
As the days get shorter and the nights get colder, how do wild animals survive the winter season? What can humans do to keep warm? Learn about turtles sleeping the winter away, hummingbirds hiking for insects, and pikas snacking on the food they’ve stashed in burrows. We will discover what animals do to survive the winter while learning a skill that humans use—fire! Come search for the forest out where to find dry material and test your campfire-building skills during a fun day exploring nature!
Fee: $65 member / $75 non-member
Pick Up / Drop Off: Upper Macleay Park

Adult Classes
See full descriptions and register at audubonportland.org/trips-classes-camps/adult.

Owls by Day in Walla Walla
January 16 (Wed) 6:30–8:30pm: class in Heron Hall January 18–20 (Fri to Sun) Walla Walla field trip Transportation/lodging/food not provided
Embark on this unique self-catering winter trip to see owls by day in the Walla Walla area! On the first day we will carpool to Walla Walla, making several stops along the Columbia and Snake Rivers traveling Barron’s Goldeneye. Saturday we will get the grand tour of the Walla Walla area by local experts Mike and Merry Lynn Denny. We will stop at several parks to see as many species of owls as we can, and all of that during daytime! Targets will include Northern Saw-whet Owl and Long-eared Owl.

We will organize carpooling prior to departure. The classroom session will feature the owls, but we will also cover owling etiquette, ethics, and logistics.

Instructor: Stefan Schlick
Fee: $200 (class and instructor)

Bird Journals: For the Joy of It!
Each session is a stand-alone class
Winter Birds
January 19 (Sat) 10am–3pm: class in Heron Hall
Create a journal page with relaxed drawing and watercolor. Learn simple ways to get the shape, and enough of the details for your bird, and how to then place the bird in a winter environment. Drawing and watercolor used in easy ways to create joy.
No experience needed. Bring a few photos of your favorite winter birds, if you wish.

Instructor: Jude Siegel
Fee: $45 member / $65 non-member. Limited to 16 participants
A Garden of Hidden Wonders
by Peter Wohlleben

In this humane, exquisitely written book, Peter Wohlleben opens our eyes to the interconnectedness of forest ecosystems and the many wonders that fill the spaces between the trees. The Hidden Life of Trees rekindles our awareness of the forest as a living, breathing entity. The weaving and sharing of life between the trees and the invisible services they perform for human beings are brought to life through Wohlleben’s appealing, poetic words.

Published by: Harmony

$24.95

$19.99

My Nature Exploration by Vicente Harrison

Sometimes nature is right under your nose! Follow little Harrison on his adventures exploring and appreciating nature right out our back door. This fun and easy-to-read children’s book inspires all children to discover and develop a love for nature. Included in this book are a number of interactive outdoor activities to get the whole family outside and engaged with the natural world around them.

Published by: Trinity

$19.95

$12.50

Shinrin-Yoku: The Japanese Art of Forest Bathing
by Yoshifumi Miyazaki

Yoshifumi Miyazaki maintains that spending time in nature has extraordinary effects on health and has been touted as the new yoga by international media outlets. Shinrin-Yoku, the Japanese practice of connecting deeply with nature, is a discipline that involves all the senses and connecting with nature. This easy-to-read illustrated book about the healing power of trees will help you quench your thirst with a locally brewed craft beer.

Published by: New World Library

$19.99

$15.26 member price

December: Hawk Rising by Maria Gianferrari

Join us on December 16 as we celebrate the mystery of flight and nature with Hawk Rising, a sweeping story of a girl and her hawk that’s also the winner of a 2018 CBC ARIA Award! Maria Gianferrari’s full-voiced prose captures the beauty, fear, and excitement of flight.

Published by: Boyds Mills Press

$19.95

$12.50 member price

My Natural Expedition
Flora and Fauna of the Pacific Northwest
by Collin Varner

This comprehensive plant guide for both botanists and armchair naturalists alike is up to date and facilitates the identification of 3,000 species through the use of black and white plates and detailed keys. The Flora and Fauna of the Pacific Northwest is a must-have guide for any plant enthusiast’s bookshelf.

Published by: University of Washington Press

$34.95

$27.00

By popular demand! The Swarovski CL Pocket 8x25 is a compact binocular with big-time performance. It features ED glass for superior resolution and color fidelity, and a lightweight body for comfort and ease of use. This binocular is perfect for birding, watching sports, and watching wildlife.

Published by: Audubon Society of Portland

$40.50 member price

$31.46 member price

C ompact binoculars are the perfect holiday gift for any bird or nature lover on the go. Portability is their main asset, fitting into almost any pocket, handbag, or backpack. Backward about weight? Whether packing for an international trip or hiking up Mt. Hood, compact binoculars are light enough to carry with you on any excursion. The Zeiss Terra 8x25s won’t break the bank at the member price of $209.99!
Give a Green Gift this Holiday Season

Birds, wildlife, and our shared habitats will need your support more than ever!

Sponsor a Wild Thing

Our Wildlife Care Center provides a permanent home for five non-releasable native animals. Each of these animals is unable to survive in the wild. Wild Thing Sponsorship—or giving a sponsorship as a gift—is a great way to learn about these incredible creatures, while at the same time helping us meet their food, medical, and housing needs!

Meet two of our Education Animals...

Xena, the American Kestrel

Xena was found in June 2017, in Vancouver, Washington. When she was brought to the Wildlife Care Center, she had a broken wing and a broken leg, although we are unsure what caused her injuries. While her broken bones have healed, Xena is not able to fly perfectly and cannot be released.

Bybee, the Western Painted Turtle

Bybee was found for sale in a Portland Metro-area pet store. The pet store owner had purchased the turtle, along with a larger cohort, from an out-of-state turtle breeder and claimed to be unaware that it is illegal to be in possession of this native species of wildlife, the Western Painted Turtle. The pet store relinquished the turtles to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife who deemed them non-releasable because they originated from the pet trade and have come into contact with exotic species and potential pathogens.

Give the Gift of Backyard Habitat!

Are you looking for the perfect eco-friendly holiday gift that will keep on giving for years to come? If so, consider a gift certificate for enrollment in our Backyard Habitat Certification Program.

This $35 gift certificate enrolls your loved one in our Backyard Habitat Certification Program.

Give the Gift of Membership

Do you know someone else who loves birds?

Give them the gift of a community of nature lovers! A gift of membership to the Audubon Society of Portland at any level protects native birds and their habitats, and comes with perks such as discounts on classes, camps, trips, and in our Nature Store.

You can purchase a gift of membership today at bit.ly/odVKB3, at the Nature Store, or send in this handy form.

Find out more at audubonportland.org/wcc/edbirds.

Your Gift Makes Lasting Impacts!

Together we can connect children with nature so that what we love now will continue for future generations. Together we work with all the tools in our toolbox to affect policies that impact Oregon’s environmental health.

It has been a busy year. As you’ve read in our Warbler newsletters, we are doing amazing things with your support, this year connecting 8,000 youth and 3,030 adults to nature through classes, camps, and trips; treating 3,000 animals and fielding over 10,500 calls in our Wildlife Care Center; working to protect the most important bird areas across Oregon; and striving to make the Portland area the greenest region in the nation.

As we enter another holiday season, and as you choose to make your charitable donations, we thank you for choosing to invest again in Portland Audubon. Your gift of any size helps! And if you have been considering deepening your investment, this is a good time to do so with the Leadership Giving Challenge.
Dreaming of Warmer Weather?

Do the rain and snow have you dreaming of warm weather and sandy beaches? The Nature Store has what you need to make sure your holiday vacation bird needs are covered. We carry a wide variety of international bird field guides—from South America to Europe and Asia, there is sure to be a guide to cover the area you need. We also carry field guides for many of the states and regions of the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

The Australian Bird Guide, by Peter Menkhorst et al $39.95 ($33.96 member price)

The Nature Store always has your binocular and optics needs covered. Whether you need a new pair of binoculars for the trip of a lifetime, or must replace a rain guard or neck strap, we have what you need for travel. We carry full-size binoculars that offer a bright and clear image, compact binoculars perfect for lightweight travel, and everything in between. Check out our wide range of sizes and prices to fit any need before your next birding trip!

Help cut down on plastic waste with a stylish and rugged insulated water bottle! These 32oz containers come in three different powder-coat finishes, all with the engraved silver Portland Audubon seal. These water bottles are BPA-free and feature a vacuum-seal lid and silicone ice funnel. Keep hot drinks warm for up to 18 hours and cold drinks cool for up to 36 hours! $35.10 member price

Welcome Your Feathered Friends

New to the Nature Store, Green Meadow Bird Feeders are made of eco-friendly polywood, which is derived from recycled milk jugs. These feeders are colorful, lightweight, and easily cleaned. The Nature Store is excited to offer a variety of sizes and styles, including fly-up, hopper, and suet feeders. Each feeder comes with a heavy-duty metal cable and O-ring for easy hanging on a shepherd’s hook or wall-mounted hook. $22.50 member price for hanging suet feeders, and member prices starting at $40.49 for hanging seed feeders.

When it comes to combining simplicity of design, economy, and functionality, no brand of hummingbird feeder beats Best1. The glass nectar reservoir comes in sizes as small as 8oz and as large as 32oz, and is seated in an aluminum circle with a metal hook for easy hanging. The red plastic base features a 360-degree perch for hummingbirds to land on, and screws on and off easily, disassembling in seconds for cleaning. $13.50 member price for 8oz size