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GREAT SALT LAKE **BIRD FESTIVAL**

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25th Annual Great Salt Lake Bird Festival • May 18–21, 2023

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WELCOME TO THE 24TH ANNUAL GREAT SALT LAKE BIRD FESTIVAL

Discover Davis, Utah's Amusement Capital, is thrilled to welcome you once again to the Annual Great Salt Lake Bird Festival! Now in its 24th year, the Great Salt Lake Bird Festival has been providing birdwatchers from across the nation with exceptional birding opportunities for over two decades. Thanks to Great Salt Lake and surrounding mountain ranges, over 250 species and millions of birds migrate through the area each year, making Davis the perfect location for outstanding birdwatching for professionals and beginners alike.

By participating in the 2022 Great Salt Lake Bird Festival, you are sure to have endless encounters with feathered friends of all sizes, species, and colors. With the help of our festival sponsors and festival committee members, this year's festival is shaping up to be exceptional in many ways. After canceling the 2020 festival and having a modified event last year, we are pleased to return to regular festival operations and bring back many events that have been missed during the last two years.

Our 24th annual festival will feature 38 field trips throughout the Wasatch Front that provide attendees with exclusive experiences that are unique only to the Great Salt Lake Bird Festival. Our field trip leaders will take you through areas with open water, shores of fresh and saline lakes, sagebrush foothills, and evergreen forests, guaranteeing you an incredible experience and endless amount of bird sightings. Many field trips will explore some of Utah's most beautiful State Parks, State Wildlife Areas, and National Refuge areas, as well as offer exclusive access to areas that cannot be visited by the general public.

Returning to the 2022 festival are 15 workshops featuring Hawkwatch International, keynote speaker, Markus Mika, and more. Attend these workshops to learn from birding experts and to get an up-close look at some of your favorite species. We are also pleased to announce the return of vendor and information booths, as well as the continuation of our free Family Day activities.

We are thrilled to once again host this year's festival at the George S. and Dolores Dore' Eccles Wildlife Education Center at Farmington Bay Waterfowl Management Area. Located on the outskirts of Great Salt Lake, this facility has proven to be a spectacular backdrop for all our birding activities.

Whether this is your first year attending or your 24th, we are happy to have you here for another wonderful Festival. Happy birding and be sure you share your photos with us! **#gslbirdfest #discoverdavis**

REGISTRATION

Registration begins on **Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 9am MT**.
Online registration is the only method of registering.

Purchase tickets by visiting **www.GreatSaltLakeBirdFest.com**

- All tickets this year will be electronic in the form of a QR code
- Purchased tickets are automatically emailed to the email address provided during checkout
- Field trip leaders will be scanning ticket QR codes on each field trip to verify registration
- For more information and details, please visit the Registration Page on the website

CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR WAIVER, CANCELLATION, REFUNDS, AND DISCLAIMER DETAILS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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FESTIVAL MERCHANDISE

Festival Merchandise will be available for purchase on the website. Limited quantities of select merchandise will be available to purchase during the festival. We strongly encourage attendees to pre-order merchandise online. More items will be added this year, be sure to check it out!

PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND DETAILS ON ALL FESTIVAL OFFERINGS.

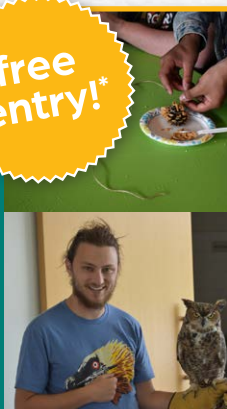
FAMILY DAY!

SATURDAY MAY 14, 2022

Arts and crafts, nature walks, scavenger hunts and other hands-on activities hosted at the Eccles Wildlife Education Center.

Visit the website for more information.

**free
entry!***



STUDENT ART CONTEST

Each year the Festival extends an invitation to schools on the Wasatch Front to submit their best artwork of the featured bird. In 2022 we will honor these students with a display of their artwork at the Festival and award prizes to our top submissions.

This year students will be creating artwork for the 2023 spotlight bird, Flammulated Owl, which will be included in next year's Festival program. We invite you to enjoy the in-person artwork display or visit our virtual art gallery on the Festival website.

WINNERS FROM 2021



Avery Herbert
2nd Place, Grades 10-12



Riker White
3rd Place, Grades 10-12



Morgan Becker
1st Place, Grades 7-9



Mallory Harris
1st Place, Grades 4-6



Zoe Oyler
1st Place, Grades K-3



Leanne Wang
1st Place, Pre-K



BIRD SPOTLIGHT: WILSON'S PHALAROPE



Suddenly thousands of Wilson's Phalaropes launch skyward rising in unison from the salty waters of Great Salt Lake to form a large cohesive blob twisting and turning, rapidly changing directions, flying so densely together, they appear as a distinctive dark pulsating shape silhouetted against the brightness of a brilliant blue sky.

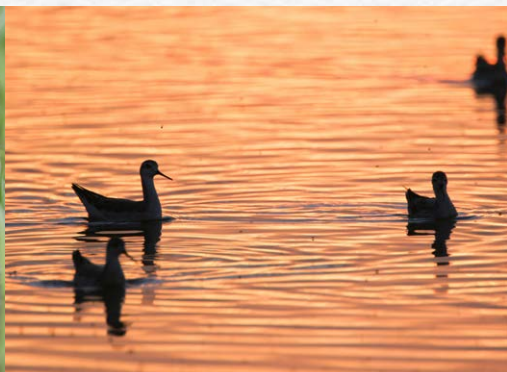
It is called murmuration. A large group of birds flying together, swiftly changing directions.

A murmuration of flocking Wilson's Phalaropes as they whirl about the sky in ever-changing patterns ranks at the top of spectacular and marvelous visual wonders of the natural world.

How do they, do it?

The group does not follow a leader nor does each individual bird track the location of all others. The impulsive movement of but a few individuals, reverberates through the flock and thousands of birds react instantaneously as a single entity. Scientists have unraveled part of the story but much still lies shrouded in mystery.

Great Salt Lake is a staging area where a large portion of the world's population of Wilson's Phalaropes forage on insects storing energy reserves as they migrate to their wintering grounds. Every year hundreds of thousands of Wilson's Phalaropes scatter widely across western Canada and northern United States to nest. In a rare role reversal, the larger brighter rusty, white and black female lays the eggs, then splits leaving the less colorful male behind to incubate and then brood the chicks. Often, off she flies to attract another mate and initiate a second clutch. A few of these nine-inch in length phalaropes will nest in the grass/sedge wetlands of Great Salt Lake.





After nesting, about one third of the world's population of Wilson's Phalaropes funnel to Great Salt Lake like grains in a giant hourglass. Fall migration on Great Salt Lake is a drama as millions of shorebirds make passage through on their annual route south to wintering grounds. Wilson's Phalaropes are in the vanguard of this massive hemispheric movement with females arriving in mid-June, followed a couple weeks later by the males and lastly the juveniles. Here they feast and fatten often doubling their weight primarily on the abundance of brine flies, midges, and other invertebrates.

Phalaropes famously spin in circles while jabbing at food vortexed to the surface by the rapid paddling of their flange-toed feet. But they are equally adept at foraging in shallow water and Wilson's is the only phalaropes that regularly forage on bare mudflats. Movement is animated with constant walking often with jerky motion while scanning for prey. Each individual invertebrate is very small and many must be caught and consumed as energetically efficient as possible. Capture usually takes only quick jab but sometimes requires a rapid shaking of the head and bill to dislodge.

Most Wilson's Phalaropes depart the Lake by the end of August.

They rise in large groups from the lake so obese they can scarcely fly and with a perpetual flapping of their wings, hour after hour after hour cross over the equator flying 5000 miles in 54 hours to reach their destination. This epic non-stop journey usually ends somewhere in Argentina, Bolivia, Peru, or Chile at scattered inland saline lakes. As the phalarope ends its long journey, flight elevation decreases as they glide down from the sky and with a final rapid fluttering of the wings settles onto the water's surface weighting 40% less than when they started. The pathway of the adults is thought to follow a Grand Circle looping southward over the Pacific Ocean in fall and overland northward in spring. The young follow a more land based route with more frequent stops.

Here they will remain, south of the equator until the hand of spring turns the hour glass over and they head north once again.

— Ella Sorensen

Photos by Scott Baxter



2022 KEYNOTE SPEAKER: MARKUS MIKA, PH.D.



Dr. Markus Mika is an avian biologist with a background in ecology, evolution, and conservation. His doctoral research at the University of Nevada Las Vegas investigated the evolutionary history of Flammulated Owl (*Psiloscops flammeolus*) populations ranging from southern Mexico to British Columbia using genetic markers.

Before his dissertation research, he worked on his Masters project at BYU with Dr. Clayton White focusing on Flammulated Owls in northern Utah. For the last 10 years, he has returned to Utah during the summer field season continuing long term data collection on nesting and resource fluctuations in Flammulated and Northern Saw-whet Owls collaborating with HawkWatch International. Currently, he is a teaching professor in the Biology Department at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022 • 6:00 PM

Returning in 2022 is a dinner reception featuring guest speakers, the Birder of the Year award, and keynote address given by Dr. Markus Mika. Join us as Dr. Mika presents on "Nesting Biology and Migration in a Small Northern Utah Forest Owl: Lessons from 20 Years of Field Work and Community Science". This presentation will highlight 20 years of work studying Flammulated Owl populations not only in northern Utah, but across their distribution in search of patterns in evolution, breeding and foraging ecology, and conservation.

Tickets are required to attend the Keynote Address and can be purchased during the online registration process. Dinner is included.

A BIRDER'S PARADISE



GREAT SALT LAKE
SHORELANDS PRESERVE



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ANTELOPE ISLAND STATE PARK

Book a stay in one of our nationally recognized hotels or dock your RV in one of our many RV parks or campgrounds — either way, Davis has the perfect lodging option for your Bird Festival adventure.

Stay close to the Bird Festival as well as all the food and fun Davis has to offer—from over 400 restaurants; shopping at Station Park; attending a performance at the CenterPoint Legacy Theatre; visiting Antelope Island State Park or participating in one of the many outdoor recreation activities.



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SPONSOR RECOGNITION



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- Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge – US Fish and Wildlife Service
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- Friends of Great Salt Lake
- George S. & Dolores Dore Eccles Wildlife Education Center at Farmington Bay
- Gillmor Sanctuary
- Great Salt Lake Audubon
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- Legacy Nature Preserve
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- Rockport State Park
- Snowbasin
- Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter
- The Nature Conservancy in Utah
- Utah County Birders
- Utah Wetlands Foundation
- Wasatch Audubon Society
- Wild About Birds Nature Center, Layton
- Willard Bay State Park

Thank you to our sponsors for their continued support of the Great Salt Lake Bird Festival's mission "to increase awareness and conservation of the Great Salt Lake ecosystem through education and nature tourism".





GREAT SALT LAKE BIRD FESTIVAL

2022 FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

Activity Level Key

Accessible: Fully accessible for festival-goers in wheelchairs or limited mobility

Easy: 0.5 miles or less walking on flat or paved surfaces

Moderate: Up to 2 miles walking with less than 250 feet elevation change on well-maintained trails or surfaces

Active: 2-3 miles walking or hiking with 250-500 feet of elevation gain on trails OR involving cycling or kayaking

Visit [GreatSaltLakeBirdFest.com](https://www.GreatSaltLakeBirdFest.com) for additional field trips being added at a later date, pricing, meet up location, recommendations, additional details and more.

PRE-FESTIVAL TRIPS

BIRD BETTER IN UTAH

Date/Time: May 9, 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm • May 10-11, 7:00 am – 4:30 pm

Guide(s): Cameron Cox

Mix of classroom and field training at Antelope Island and Farmington Bay WMA. Bird Better is a workshop with the sole focus of training better birders. It is the perfect boost if you feel your birding ability is stagnating or if you just want to improve your skills. Our indoor sessions will cover concepts using cutting-edge research and techniques across fields as diverse as sports and human psychology. We will apply these concepts using the incredible birding available at Great Salt Lake hotspots such as Antelope Island and Farmington Bay WMA. Lessons and ID skills learned in Bird Better will be integrated seamlessly into your birding and continue to help you improve for years to come. The workshops cover a ton of subject matter, but do so in a fun, informal setting.

Visit: [Avocet Birding Courses website](#) for more information and booking options.

UTAH HIGHLIGHTS TOUR

Date/Time: May 11, 6:00 am to May 14 5:00 pm • 4-day/3-night trip

Guide(s): Tim Avery and Kenny Frisch

May in Utah is one of the best times to take advantage of birding across the entire state. While some of the best high elevation sites are still inaccessible, many of the low elevation locations more than make up for birds with migrants! This tour will cover the entire western half of the state, starting at the Great Salt Lake, and then spending 3 days discovering the incredible birding anchored around the southwest corner of the state and the Mojave Desert. With visits to Zion National Park, the Beaver Dam Conservation Area, and Kolob Plateau, this will be a memorable tour highlighting the variety of birds and places Utah has to offer.

Visit: [Pitta Tours' website](#) to see options, pricing, and register for this trip.

THURSDAY • MAY 12

1. JORDANELLE WETLANDS & HEBER FIELDS

Time: 7:00 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$25 **Guide(s):** Teri Pope, TBA

The wetland and riparian areas below Jordanelle Dam offer excellent birding in these foothills to the Uinta Mountains. This area is an Audubon Important Bird Area (IBA). Possible species include: American Dipper, Osprey, Black-headed Grosbeak, Warbling Vireo, Common Yellowthroat and Bullock's Oriole. We will also look for returning Bobolinks.

Meeting Location: I-80 and I-215, Salt Lake City

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Raptors, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Songbirds

Spots: 15

2. INLAND SEA SHOREBIRD RESERVE & GILLMOR SANCTUARY

Time: 7:00 am – 1:00 pm

Transportation: Bus/Minibus **Cost:** \$50 **Guide(s):** Ann Neville, Ella Sorensen

Experience Rio Tinto Kennecott's Inland Sea Shorebird Reserve and Gillmor Sanctuary that is not open to the general public. Visit over 8,000 acres of private land managed just for shorebirds on the edge of Great Salt Lake. Shallow ponds or playas invite avocets, black-necked stilts, willets, migrating 'peeps' and one of the few places to consistently see snowy plovers. Prairie type sparrows, larks, pipits, shrike, hawks and falcons are possible. Access to some areas may be limited with wet weather. This trip includes light walking with probable muddy conditions. It is recommended to bring an extra spotting scope if possible.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Intermediate Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds

Spots: 20

3. PHOTOGRAPHY AT FARMINGTON BAY

Time: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$25 **Guide(s):** Tom Mathewson

This is a guided self-drive tour of specific spots at Farmington Bay, with an emphasis on serious bird photography. We'll have hands-on sessions at each stop for photographing birds with a tripod as well as hand-held shooting and shooting from a car. We will cover equipment tips, camera settings and shooting techniques for getting the best pictures possible in nearly any conditions.

Meeting Location: Farmington Bay

Activity Level: Accessible

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Songbirds

Spots: 20

4. SAGE-STEPPE BIRDING AT PROMONTORY POINT

Time: 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Transportation: Van **Cost:** \$55 **Guide(s):** Adam Brewerton

This trip will have stops from the wetlands and riparian areas from the Bear River Bay and travel through the uplands as we focus on the sagebrush and upland communities of the Promontory Peninsula. We will see birds associated with each habitat as we move from the lower wetlands at the edge of the lake up to the slopes and ridges of the mountains. Highlights are seeing the different communities for different habitats, and typically find grassland, upland, and sagebrush associated birds, like Long-Billed Curlews and Sage Thrashers. We will also have a chance at many of northern Utah's raptors. We will also be near some non-bird points of interest like Golden Spike National Historic Park, where the transcontinental railroad was finished.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Long-billed Curlew, Short-eared Owl, Grasshopper Sparrow, Sage Thrasher, Sagebrush Sparrow, and Brewer's Sparrow

Spots: 12

5. BIRDING ROCKPORT BY CANOE/KAYAK

Time: 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$40 **Guide(s):** Kathy Donnell, Vivian Schneggenburger

Reservoir's nearby springs host many ducks, grebes, herons, and raptors (including nesting Osprey) with the smaller birds occupying the adjacent trees and shrubs. You will have a grand birding experience at the reservoir using canoes and kayaks, which will be included in this trip. Participants will be required to row. Kayaking can be difficult if there is wind and waves. Please arrive by 7:45am for instructions. Allow for travel time.

*Weather permitting. *Ticket includes park entry and canoe or kayak.*

Meeting Location: Rockport State Park

Activity Level: Active

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 12

6. RAPTOR ROAD TRIP

Time: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Transportation: Minibus **Cost:** \$85 **Guide(s):** Don Paul, Randy Chatelain

Spend a day exploring the ecology of some of Utah's most charismatic birds. We will explore Morgan, Summit, and Rich County landscapes. The Golden Eagle, Red-tailed, Swainson's and Ferruginous hawks, Prairie and Peregrine falcons will be our primary focus. We will be watchful for the Great Horned Owl, Turkey Vulture, Osprey, American Kestrel, Cooper's and Sharp-shinned hawks and Northern Harrier (with some special surprises too). Don and Randy will help with identification of these magnificent birds of prey, as well as describing the various color morphs we encounter. The guides will explain and help identify nesting strategies and behavior, as well as predator/prey relationships as we observe them in the field. Bring water and food for the day.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders

Target Species: Raptors

Spots: 11

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7. AMERICAN KESTREL

Time: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Transportation: Bus **Cost:** \$45 **Guide(s):** HawkWatch International Staff

Learn about American Kestrel behavior. You will visit active American Kestrel nests to observe and monitor.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Accessible

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Raptors

Spots: 15

8. BIRDING BY KAYAK AT THE ECCLES WILDLIFE EDUCATION CENTER

Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$45 **Guide(s):** Billy Fenimore and TBA

Hasenyager Preserve's Aquatic Nature Adventure.

Join us for an aquatic birding adventure throughout the wetlands of Farmington Bay's Hasenyager Preserve. Learn more about what birds are in the area and listen to the sounds of the wetlands.

Paddling on the calm waters that wind through the wetlands and discover all of its wild offerings. Having all these ecosystems so close together provide a perfect habitat for a variety of wildlife and plants blooming along the water's edge. The wetlands waters will take you deep into the marsh and provide wonderful opportunities to spy a few of our feathered friends. Keep an eye out for hawks, fox and long-tailed weasels hunting the banks looking for their next meal. A variety of waterfowl, shorebirds and songbirds frequent all corners of the wetlands. So come join us on a wetland adventure!

**Kayak is included*

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Active

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Wetland species

Spots available: 6

9. BURROWING OWLS OF ANTELOPE ISLAND

Time: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Transportation: Bus **Cost:** \$45 **Guide(s):** HawkWatch International Staff

Think you know everything about owls? Well not these little hoots. Come see the underground-dwelling, awake in the day, sentinels of the grasslands – Burrowing Owls. This is a field trip to Antelope Island State Park to look for Burrowing Owl sites.

**Ticket includes park entry*

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Accessible

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Owls

Spots: 15

10. ANTELOPE ISLAND OWL PROWL

Time: 5:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Transportation: Van **Cost:** \$45 **Guide(s):** HawkWatch International, Trish Ackley

Who, Who should go? Owl lovers, that's WHO! Antelope Island is prime habitat for several species of owl: Great Horned, Barn, Burrowing, Long-eared and Short-eared owls. Great opportunity to see other wildlife in the park. Picturesque views of the lake and timing of this evening trip will be great for photographing the island's famous sunsets. **Ticket includes park entry*

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Owls

Spots: 15

11. MOUNTAIN OWLS*

Time: 7:30 pm – Midnight

Transportation: Minibus **Cost:** \$75 **Guide(s):** Mike Hearell, Connor Johnson

Join us as we search local mountain areas for some of Utah's many owl species. The main target bird will be the Flammulated Owl, but others including the Northern Saw-whet Owl, Western Screech-Owl, Great Horned Owl, and Northern Pygmy-Owl may be seen. Other possible species include Common Poorwill, Common Nighthawk, Swainson's Thrush, and Hermit Thrush.

**Weather dependent, makeup trip May 13, 2022.*

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Owls

Spots: 9

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12. DESERET RANCH WILDLIFE ADVENTURE

Time: 5:30 am – 5:30 pm **Transportation:** Self-Drive 4X4, carpool required

Cost: \$60 **Guide(s):** Billy Fenimore and TBA

Deseret Ranch is a large cattle ranch sprawling over 220,000 acres. The ranch is managed under a holistic program where wildlife and their habitats are nurtured. Deseret Ranch is recognized as a Global Important Bird Area (GIBA). It is designated as a National Audubon Important Bird Area (IBA). A diversity of habitats will be explored from sub alpine, mixed montane coniferous and aspen forests to riparian stream corridors, sage-steppe, desert scrub, grassland, wet meadow, pond and lake. During a typical birding day on Deseret Ranch, we will see over 100 bird species. We will take you throughout these habitats and share with you my passion for our feathered friends and the beautiful landscape they call home.

Meeting Location: Weber Park and Ride

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Greater sage grouse, Ferruginous Hawk, Burrowing Owl, and Prairie Falcon. Golden Eagle, Swanson's Hawk, Sagebrush Sparrow

Spots: 24

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13. CACHE VALLEY HOTSPOTS

Time: 6:00 am – 3:00 pm

Transportation: Bus **Cost:** \$45 **Guide(s):** Adam Brewerton

Cache Valley is one of the lesser known birding hot spots in the West. Our trip will reveal the area's great diversity and wealth of birds and other wildlife secrets. The trip will visit a variety of habitats and microclimates, ranging from sub-alpine forest to fast-flowing trout streams and semi-desert savanna to wetlands. We will also see The Barrens, a Bridgerland Audubon Chapter sanctuary project.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Active

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: White-faced Ibis, American Dipper, Great Horned Owl, and Bewick's Wren

Spots: 53

14. MORGAN COUNTY BACKYARD BIRDING

Time: 7:30 am – 2:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$25 **Guide(s):** Weston Smith, Arnold Smith

Some of the best birding in Morgan County is found in the backyards of the houses in the quaint small towns of Morgan and Croydon in Weber Canyon. Cavity-nesting Tree Swallows, House Wrens, and American Kestrel will be target birds. Bird feeders will be attracting Black-headed Grosbeaks, Bullock's Orioles, Cassin's Finches, Lazuli Buntings, and hummingbirds. This trip has averaged approximately 65 species per year and surprises are always possible. We will also bird along the Weber River in Henefer looking for large nesting birds such as raptors and herons.

Meeting Location: Riverside Park, Morgan

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Waterfowl, Wading Birds, Raptors, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 15

15. BIRDING DIAMOND FORK CANYON– UTAH COUNTY

Time: 7:00 am – 2:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$30 **Guide(s):** Keeli Marvel, Terri Pope

Diamond Fork Canyon encompasses a wide diversity of habitats including montane forest, sagebrush, scrub oak, juniper forest, wetland marsh, stream, and pond riparian areas and cliff habitat in which a wide diversity of bird species may be found. Possible bird sightings include: Western Tanager, Lazuli Bunting, Western Bluebird, Belted Kingfisher, Western Scrub-jay, Golden Eagle (possibly on a nest), Canyon, Marsh, Pacific wrens, Sage Thrasher, Red-naped Sapsucker, Fox Sparrow. Bring insect repellent, sunscreen, and lunch.

Meeting Location: Springville

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders

Target Species: Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 10

16. UTAH COUNTY HOT SPOTS

Time: 7:00 am – 2:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive

Cost: \$30 **Guide(s):** Suzi Holt, Amanda Tinoco, Jessica Holt

We will begin our trip in the Genola Goshen Canyon area. We hope to see Blue Grosbeak, Yellow-breasted Chat, Sora, Virginia Rails, Canyon Wren and some waterfowl and shorebirds. Looking out for Short-eared, Great-horned, and Barn Owls. We will continue along Elberta Slant Rd. looking for Long-billed Curlew, Burrowing Owl and Gray Vireo. Lunch break in Eureka. Then we will explore the East Tintic Mountains for Juniper Titmouse, Flycatchers, Vireos and Warblers.

Meeting Location: Check website for details

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 15

17. SWANER PRESERVE AND ECOCENTER, SANDHILL CRANES, & MORE

Time: 7:00 am – 11:00 am

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$30 **Guide(s):** Vivian Schneggenburger, Swaner Staff

Come visit high altitude wet meadows, marshes, riparian areas and uplands here in search of Sandhill Cranes. Cranes have successfully nested and reared their young in the Preserve in years past and are typically very visible during the spring. Surrounded by a scenic backdrop of the Wasatch Mountains, walk along trails normally closed to the public. These high altitude wetlands and adjacent uplands are home to more than 70 species of birds, including Mountain Bluebirds, Yellow-headed and Red-winged Blackbirds, swallows, various raptors and Yellow Warblers.

Meeting Location: Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter

Activity Level: Active

Good For: Intermediate Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds

Spots: 15

18. BIRDING WILLARD BAY STATE PARK

Time: 7:30 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$25 **Guide(s):** Valerie Frokjer, Dickson Smith

This trip will walk around the campground looking through trees and bushes. We will also look out on Willard Bay for waterbirds, hoping for a Loon. Other possible species include Gray Catbird, Bullock's Oriole, Western Tanager, Downy Woodpecker, Willow Flycatcher, Black-headed Grosbeak, swallows, and various warblers.

Meeting Location: Willard Bay State Park

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Galliformes, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 15

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19. RESEARCH BOAT TOUR ON THE GREAT SALT LAKE*

Time: 10:00 am and 1:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$45 **Guide(s):** John Luft

Why is there such an abundant suite of wildlife, particularly birds on Great Salt Lake? Take a ride with the wildlife biologist who is responsible for monitoring the lake's health. Board the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources research boat and experience Great Salt Lake's ecosystem first hand. You will likely see Eared Grebes and various gulls, although this is not a birding trip. This excursion is a hands-on learning experience about GSL ecology and current research projects. The geology and history of the islands and other landscapes will be discussed.

Two trip opportunities are available. Please select your start time of 10:00 am or 1:00 pm during registration.

**Trip is weather and water level dependent. Water level will be determined on April, 30, 2022. Weather date, Sunday, May 15, 2022*

Meeting Location: Great Salt Lake State Park Marina

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Eared Grebes, various Gulls

Spots: 8

20. BEGINNING BIRDING: FARMINGTON BAY

Time: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm **Transportation:** Self-Drive

Cost: \$10 *kids under 12 free **Guide(s):** Dallin Henderson, Max Malmquist

We will walk to explore the area and wetlands around the Wildlife Education Center and practice new birding skills.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Canada Goose, Mallard, Pied-billed Grebe, American Coot, Black-necked Stilt, American Avocet, California Gull, Forster's Tern, American White Pelican, Yellow-headed Blackbird and Red-winged Blackbird

Spots: 20

21. ANTELOPE ISLAND OWL PROWL

Time: 5:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Transportation: Minibus **Cost:** \$45 **Guide(s):** HawkWatch International Staff, Trish Ackley

Who, Who should go? Owl lovers, that's WHO! Antelope Island is prime habitat for several species of owl: Great Horned, Barn, Burrowing, Long-eared and Short-eared owls. Great opportunity to see other wildlife in the park. Picturesque views of the Lake and timing of this evening trip will be great for photographing the island's famous sunsets. **Ticket includes park entry*

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Owls

Spots: 10

22. UTAH COUNTY EVENING HOT SPOTS

Time: 5:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$30 **Guide(s):** Danielle Finlayson

This trip will start during the day in the valley near Utah Lake and finish high in the mountains of American Fork Canyon in the evening. Be prepared for waterfowl and warblers in the day and poor wills and owls at night.

Probable Birds: Woodhouse's Scrub-jay, Steller's Jay, Yellow Warbler, Black-necked Stilt, American Avocet, Long-billed Dowitcher, Wilson's Phalarope, Caspian Tern, Forster's Tern, Northern Harrier, Black-crowned Night-Heron, Western Kingbird, Eastern Kingbird, Mountain Chickadee, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Chipping Sparrow, Brewer's Sparrow, Bullock's Oriole, Western Tanager, Orange-crowned Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Black-headed Grosbeak, Lazuli Bunting, Common Poorwill, and many others.

Meeting Location: Utah Lake State Park

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced Birds, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Songbirds

Spots: 15

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23. BIRD THE WEST DESERT & PONY EXPRESS TRAIL

Time: 6:00 am – 3:00 pm

Transportation: Minibus **Cost:** \$80 **Guide(s):** Keeli Marvel

Bird the West Desert and the Pony Express Trail. Experience the birds of the West Desert and the ruggedness of the Pony Express Trail first hand. We'll bird a loop starting at Clover Springs CG in Johnson Pass, traveling over to Lookout Pass, and back around past Fitzgerald WMA. Highlights could include desert specialties such as Bushtits, Juniper Titmice, Pinyon Jays, Sagebrush Sparrows, Black-throated Gray Warblers, and Horned Larks.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced Birds, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 11

24. BIRDING BY EAR

Time: 7:00 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Minibus **Cost:** \$50 **Guide(s):** Merrill Webb

This field trip will focus on listening to the songs and calls of common Utah birds first of all in a small group setting and then visiting nearby locales in Davis County where these birds will be setting up their territories.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Beginning Birders

Target Species: Woodpeckers, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 11

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25. BEHIND THE GATES AT LEGACY NATURE PRESERVE

Time: 7:00 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Van/Minibus **Cost:** \$50 **Guide(s):** Andrea Nelson

This is a rare opportunity to go behind the gates at Legacy Nature Preserve. You will be guided along remnant oxbow features of the Jordan River to view migrant and resident waterfowl and shorebirds. You will also be treated to views of one of only four, known, active Bald Eagle nests in northern Utah. Rubber boots are advised.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Accessible

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Galliformes, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 12

26. UTAH COUNTY HOT SPOTS

Time: 7:00 am – 2:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$30 **Guide(s):** Suzi Holt, Amanda Tinoco, Jessica Holt

We will begin our trip in the Genola Goshen Canyon area. We hope to see Blue Grosbeak, Yellow-breasted Chat, Sora, Virginia Rails, Canyon Wren and some waterfowl and shorebirds. Looking out for Short-eared, Great-horned, and Barn Owls. We will continue along Elberta Slant Rd. looking for Long-billed Curlew, Burrowing Owl and Gray Vireo. Lunch break in Eureka. Then we will explore the East Tintics for Juniper Titmouse, Flycatchers, Vireos and Warblers.

Meeting Location: Utah County

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 15

Photo by Scott Baxter



27. BEAR RIVER MIGRATORY BIRD REFUGE BEHIND THE GATES

Time: 7:00 am – 11:00 am • 8:00 am – 12:00 pm • 9:00 am – 1:00 pm • 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive (carpool recommended) **Cost:** \$35

Guide(s): Local Guides and Bear River Staff

Spend a day with expert birders on a birding adventure at Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge. You will soon learn and see why this area has been protected over the last 75 years. It is considered one of the top ten birding spots in the nation and one of Utah's premier birding hotspots. It's 78,000 acres provide a vast wetland habitat for a phenomenal number of migrants including waterfowl, shorebirds, raptors, White-faced Ibis, several species of blackbirds, gulls, terns, swallows, marsh wrens, and more. This trip will caravan around the auto tour loop with stops and do some walking behind the gates. This is a great field trip for all levels of birders.

**Going behind the refuge gates will be contingent upon the amount of nesting birds. If there are many birds actively nesting on the road, the tour will move to the Auto Tour Route instead.*

Four trip opportunities are available. Please select your start time of 7am, 8am, 9am, or 10am during registration.

Meeting Location: Bear River Refuge Center

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Waterfowl, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes

Spots: 12 per start time

28. MORGAN COUNTY BACKYARD BIRDING

Time: 7:30 am – 2:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$25 **Guide(s):** Weston Smith, Arnold Smith

Some of the best birding in Morgan County is found in the backyards of the houses in the quaint small towns of Morgan and Croydon in Weber Canyon. Cavity-nesting Tree Swallows, House Wrens, and American Kestrel will be target birds. Bird feeders will be attracting Black-headed Grosbeaks, Bullock's Orioles, Cassin's Finches, Lazuli Buntings, and hummingbirds. This trip has averaged approximately 65 species per year and surprises are always possible. We will also bird along the Weber River in Henefer looking for large nesting birds such as raptors and herons. There may be periods of standing, short mostly flat land walking, and watching bird feeders.

Meeting Location: Morgan

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Waterfowl, Wading Birds, Raptors, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 15

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29. BIRDING BY ELECTRIC BIKE

Time: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$50 **Guide(s):** Jordan Herman, Sammy Riccio

Join us for an easy 4.5-mile ride on e-bikes (electric bikes) along the Jordan River Parkway. This is one of the best places to find birds and other wildlife in the city, and all the energy you'll save peddling less can be spent on looking for birds. You're sure to see blackbirds, swallows, waterfowl, and songbirds. Raptors, quail, and wading birds are strong possibilities. We'll be sure to stop for plenty of birding breaks along the way. Bike rental and helmet are included in the cost of the field trip. Please note that although using e-bikes is less strenuous than riding traditional bikes, participants should be in good health and able to walk 2–3 miles at a brisk pace without difficulty.

Meeting Location: West Valley City

Activity Level: Active

Good For: Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Galliformes, Raptors, Swallows, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 15

30. FIELD TRIP: BIRDING FOR FAMILIES

Time: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$7 **Guide(s):** Melissa Halvorsen, Chris Butler

If you've been looking for a way to get the whole family into birding, this field trip is the perfect opportunity. Participants will get the chance to meet a live bird, explore the features that attract birds to the environment, learn how to use binoculars and field guides, and look for wild birds at Red Butte Gardens, one of Salt Lake's easily accessible birding hotspots. This program is designed for families with children ages five and up.

Meeting Location: Red Butte Garden Visitor Center, Salt Lake City

Activity Level: Accessible

Good For: Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Galliformes, Raptors, Swallows, Songbirds

Spots: 20

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31. EAST CANYON STATE PARK

Time: 5:00 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$30 **Guide(s):** Weston Smith & Chris Haramoto

We will begin at the Henefer Lek to look for the greater sage grouse. The tour will view feeders placed in the state park and look for water birds on the reservoir. We will then travel to several other locations within the park looking for mountain birds.

Meeting Location: East Canyon State Park

Activity Level: Easy to Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Greater Sage Grouse, Golden Eagles, Mountain Bluebirds

Spots: 20

32. MARATHON BIRDING

Time: 6:00 am – Midnight

Transportation: Van **Guide(s):** Tim Avery, Jeff Bilsby, Mike Hearell, Kenny Frisch

What happens when you take 4 crazy birding guides, a couple of vans, and have 18 hours during the height of migration in northern Utah? Marathon Birding with Pitta Tours of course! Join Mike, Kenny, Jeff, and Tim as they guide you along the shores and wetlands of the Great Salt Lake, through the canyons and mountains of the Wasatch front, and try to seek out 150 species in a fast-paced, bird-filled, sort-of big day. Over the past 13 years, we've averaged just over 150 species each day and topped out at 170 in 2015. We never know what we'll find, but we will have a great time, and cap things off with a spectacular Flammulated Owling outing! Meals, snacks, water bottles, and a swag bag are included!

Visit: Pitta Tours' website to see options, pricing, and register for this trip!

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Active

Spots: 10

33. BEST OF ANTELOPE ISLAND

Time: 7:00 am – 12:00 pm

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$30 **Guide(s):** Trish Ackley, Brittney Whitecar

Beginning birders and families with children will enjoy a trip from the Antelope Island Causeway to the Fielding Garr Ranch, stopping along the way to catch a glimpse and learn the vocalizations of many species of birds. We'll learn about the role Great Salt Lake plays in bird migration. **Ticket includes park entry*

Meeting Location: Antelope Island State Park

Activity Level: Accessible

Good For: Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Special spotlight – Wilson's Phalarope, American Avocet, Long Billed, Curlew, Burrowing Owl, Chukar Partridge, Great Horned Owl

Spots: 20

34. BIRDS OF THE GREAT SALT LAKE

Time: 7:00 am – 4:00 pm

Transportation: Minibus **Cost:** \$80 **Guide(s):** Bryant Olsen

We will explore the different habitats at Great Salt Lake from freshwater wetlands, playas and mudflats to open Saltwater as well as upland steppe of the lakes islands and peninsulas to understand the numbers and diversity of birds that make this an internationally significant ecosystem and a great place to go birding.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Advanced Birders, Intermediate Birders, Beginning Birders

Target Species: Waterfowl, Galliformes, Shorebirds, Wading Birds, Raptors, Woodpeckers, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Corvids, Songbirds

Spots: 11

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35. BOUNTIFUL POND

Time: 7:30 am – 10:00 am

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$15 **Guide(s):** TBA

Located on the outskirts of Farmington Bay WMA, Bountiful Pond is a lovely oasis for all kinds of birds. This trip involves walking around the pond. The large pond provides a stopover area for many gulls and waterfowl, and the surrounding trees and fields hide many songbirds, owls, and other birds with close viewing opportunities. During migration, Bountiful Pond can often house rare vagrants like Eastern Wood Warblers.

Meeting Location: Bountiful Pond

Activity Level: Easy

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Waterfowl, Wading Birds, Raptors, Flycatchers, Vireos, Swallows, or Shrikes, Songbirds

Spots: 20

36. AVIFAUNA AND ART: SPIRAL JETTY ADVENTURE

Time: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Transportation: Minibus **Cost:** \$60 **Guide(s):** Jaimi Butler, Max Malmquist

Spiral Jetty, one of the world's most iconic examples of land art, is also a birders paradise! Located in the remote North Arm of Great Salt Lake there are many opportunities to spot different birds. On the long drive through the grassland and sagebrush landscape, we will surely see many raptors including Ferruginous Hawks, Swainson's Hawks and Golden Eagles. Once at Spiral Jetty, amidst the hypersaline (and very pink) waters we will encounter American White Pelicans that breed on the remote Gunnison Island flying overhead in their daily search for fish in the lake's eastern freshwater wetlands.

National Audubon's Max Malmquist will help us try to find Grasshopper and Sagebrush Sparrows, Long-billed Curlews and Snowy Plovers. As a steward of Spiral Jetty and avid GSL nerd, Westminster's Jaimi Butler will help explore the ecology, history and the art of Spiral Jetty. She also never shuts up about Pelicans that form the basis of her student's research.

Meeting Location: Eccles Wildlife Education Center

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Intermediate Birders

Target Species: Shorebirds, Raptors, Songbirds

Spots: 20

37. BIRDING FOR FAMILIES

Time: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Transportation: Self-Drive **Cost:** \$7 **Guide(s):** Melissa Halvorsen, Chris Butler

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Meeting Location: Red Butte Garden Visitor Center, Salt Lake City

Activity Level: Accessible

Good For: Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Galliformes, Raptors, Swallows, Songbirds

Spots: 20

38. SNOWBASIN FOREST OWLS

Time: 7:00 pm – Midnight **Transportation:** Self-Drive

Cost: \$40 **Guide(s):** Markus Mika, HawkWatch International Staff

Night field trip at Snowbasin Resort/Maples Campground looking for Flammulated and Northern Saw-whet Owls. Join us for a walk through the woods (up to 1.5 miles in undulating terrain) to listen for and watch small forest owls in their natural habitat.

Meeting Location: Maples Trailhead Campground, Snowbasin

Activity Level: Moderate

Good For: Advanced, Intermediate, Beginning Birders, Families with Children

Target Species: Raptors

Spots: 10

2022 WORKSHOP SUMMARY

We are excited to once again offer In-person Workshops this year at the Eccles Wildlife Education Center. Workshops are free to attendees and do not require pre-registration. Visit the website for detailed information on the available workshops being offered in 2022.

FRIDAY • MAY 13

Learning Shorebirds	3:15pm – 4:15pm
How to Participate in a Community Science Project by Markus Mika	4:30pm – 5:30pm
Student Art Contest Awards	6pm – 6:15pm
Bird Sketching 101	6:15pm – 7:30pm

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Introduction to Bird Photography	8am – 9am
Parade of Raptors*	9:30am – 10:30am
Duck, Duck, Goose!	10am – 11am
Accipiter Deep Dive*	10:45am – 11:45am
Bald and Beautiful*	11:30am – 12:30am
Wilson's Phalarope and Their Dependence on Great Salt Lake	12pm – 1pm
Drawing Raptors from Life*	1pm – 2pm
Human Caused Raptor Problems, and Raptor Rescue 101*	1:15pm – 2:15pm
The Conservation Behind Falconry, and How To Be One*	2:15pm – 3:15pm
MOTUS for Phalaropes	2:30pm – 3:30pm
Shorebirds of Great Salt Lake	3:30pm – 4:30pm

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THURSDAY • MAY 12

1.	Jordanelle Wetlands and Heber Fields	7am – 12pm
2.	Inland Sea Shorebird Reserve and Gillmore Sanctuary	7am – 1pm
3.	Photography at Farmington Bay	8am – 12pm
4.	Sage-Steppe Birding at Promontory Point	8am – 1pm
5.	Birding Rockport by Canoe/Kayak	8am – 3pm
6.	Raptor Road Trip	8am – 5pm
7.	American Kestrel	9am – 1pm
8.	Birding by Kayak	10am – 12pm
9.	Burrowing Owls of Antelope Island	2pm – 5pm
10.	Antelope Island Owl Prowl	5pm – 9:30pm
11.	Mountain Owls	7:30pm – 12am

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12.	Deseret Ranch Wildlife Adventure	5:30am – 5:30pm
13.	Cache Valley Hotspots	6am – 3pm
14.	Morgan County Backyard Birding	7:30am – 2pm
15.	Birding Diamond Fork Canyon	7am – 2pm
16.	Utah County Hot Spots	7am – 2pm
17.	Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter, Sandhill Cranes, and More	7am – 11am
18.	Birding Willard Bay State Park	7:30am – 12pm
19.	Research Boat Tour on the Great Salt Lake	10am or 1pm
20.	Beginning Birding: Farmington Bay	2pm – 5pm
21.	Antelope Island Owl Prowl	5pm – 9:30pm
22.	Utah County Evening Hot Spots	5pm – 9:30pm

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23.	Bird the West Desert and Pony Express Trail	6am – 3pm
24.	Birding by Ear	7am – 12pm
25.	Behind the Gates at Legacy Nature Preserve	7am – 12pm
26.	Utah County Hot Spots	7am – 2pm
27.	Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge Behind the Gates	7am, 8am, 9am, or 10am
28.	Morgan County Backyard Birding	7:30am – 2pm
29.	Birding by Ebike	9am – 11am
30.	Birding for Families	9am – 11am

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31.	East Canyon State Park	5am – 12pm
32.	Marathon Birding	6am – 12am
33.	Best of Antelope Island	7am – 12pm
34.	Birds of the Great Salt Lake	7am – 4pm
35.	Bountiful Pond	7:30am – 10am
36.	Avifauna and Art: Spiral Jetty Adventure	8am – 4pm
37.	Birding for Families	9am – 11am
38.	Snowbasin Forest Owls	7pm – 12am

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2023 Bird: Flammulated Owl



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