

Saw Mill River Audubon
Zoom and In-Person Program
for Libraries and Community Groups



Birding 101

With images, sounds and video clips of local birds, learn (or review) the basics of finding and identifying birds year-round, where to go birding locally and how to grow your birding skills with this presentation from Saw Mill River Audubon Executive Director Anne Swaim. [HANDOUT PROVIDED]



Raptors for Rookies

Over twenty species of raptors may be spotted in our area including various kinds of eagles, hawks, falcons and owls. Saw Mill River Audubon Executive Director Anne Swaim will present a multimedia program with some of the best raptor images from local photographers, video clips and more. Find out when and where raptors may be seen and how they are doing in the mixed rural and suburban landscapes of the Lower Hudson Valley. [HANDOUT PROVIDED]



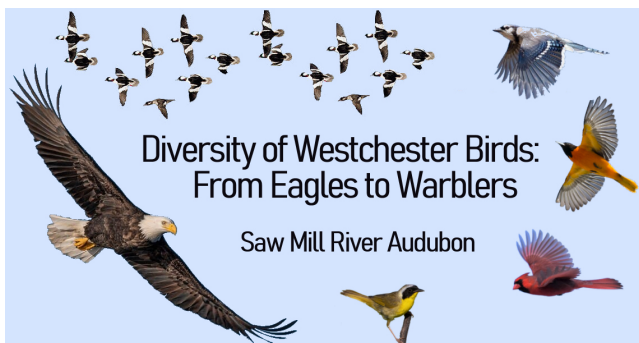
Bird Neighbors

Explore the amazing variety of bird nests with this multimedia presentation from Saw Mill River Audubon. From the massive nests of eagles to walnut-sized hummingbird nests, from cavity-nesters inside trees to ground-nesters to birds that weave intricately woven baskets that hang from branches, birds are master builders! Find out why birds sing and what a bird box does and how to make any property more bird-friendly. Find what to do if you find a nest or young birds in need of help. [HANDOUT PROVIDED]



Bird Friendly Backyards

Find out how to be a bird friendly neighbor. Learn the best ways to attract and benefit birds with this multimedia program featuring images, sounds and video of local backyard bird species. Discover the best choices for bird feeders and seed, native plants, water features and bird houses to improve backyard bird habitat. [HANDOUT PROVIDED]



Diversity of Westchester Birds: From Eagles to Warblers. Enjoy beautiful images, sounds, videos of Westchester birds across the seasons and at various county birding hotspots. Tips on how to start birding and how to have bird-friendly, bird-safe properties whether residential, business or community-owned will also be covered.

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Winter Birding in the Lower Hudson

What birds can we expect to see in the winter months at bird feeders and when we visit local parks and sanctuaries? How do birds adapt to winter weather? What winter bird sounds can we hear? Anne Swaim will explore these and other questions with many images and video clips of local birds in winter. Come tune up your eyes and ears for winter birding!

Booking Details for SMRA Community Programs for Libraries and Community Groups

- \$100 donation by check payable to “Saw Mill River Audubon” or by online payment following presentation at <https://www.sawmillriveraudubon.org/payment>
- Resource handouts provided for participants for programs indicated.
- Presentation via screen share from Saw Mill River Audubon over Zoom or in person with our provided laptop and projector, or your equipment.
- We can provide the Zoom connection and link to share, as needed.
- Length adjustable from 45-60 minutes, including or in addition to Q&A time. (With 60 minutes total as max suggested length via Zoom.)
- Dates limited – advance reservations strongly encouraged by contacting Saw Mill River Audubon at office@sawmillriveraudubon.org or 914-666-6503 | Staffed office hours are M/W/F 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Program Presenter: Anne Swaim



Anne Swaim is Executive Director of Saw Mill River Audubon, a local chapter of National Audubon based in Westchester County New York. She began as Staff Naturalist and sole employee of Saw Mill River Audubon in 1989. Anne has served as Executive Director since 2004 and works together with a board of directors, dozens of volunteers and four staff to maintain eight wildlife sanctuaries and present over 200 free public programs & field trips annually to connect people with nature. Anne has a B.S. in Biology from Clarion University of Pennsylvania and M.Div. from Eastern University.

She previously worked for Pennsylvania State Parks and the Pennsylvania Chesapeake Bay Program.

As part of her work for Saw Mill River Audubon, Anne has the great pleasure of living at Pruyne [pronounced *Prine*] Audubon Sanctuary in Chappaqua, a 92-acre property that protects the 42-acre Gedney Swamp and often features evening concerts by Barred Owls and Eastern Coyote.