

## For The Birds Schedule of Events

Visit [www.freeportartmuseum.com/new-events](http://www.freeportartmuseum.com/new-events) for more information about events and programs.

### Exhibitions from April 17 – August 7

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#### FREEPORT ART MUSEUM EXHIBITION

- Alice Hargrave Installation: The Suffragette Conference of the Birds after Farīd Attar
- For The Birds: Invitational featuring 26 Illinois artists
- Endangered and Threatened: 29 Bird Portraits of birds from the Illinois list of endangered and threatened species; By Barry Treu
- Freeport High School National Art Honor Society exhibition of bird art and bird carvings by self-taught carver Russell Buttell (1821 - 2005)

#### PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION IN COMMUNITY

- Freeport Area Camera Club: Exhibiting Avian Photography at 9 East Coffee, Higher Grounds Coffee, and the Freeport Public Library

### Programs/Events

#### WINNESHIEK PLAYHOUSE (visit <https://winneshiekplayers.org/> for more information)

- **Monday Monologues** on [Facebook](#) featuring actors reading from *The Birds* by Aristophanes (April 19 – August 2)

#### FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY (visit [www.freeportpubliclibrary.org/](http://www.freeportpubliclibrary.org/) for more information)

- **Preschool Storytime featuring bird-related books and songs:**
  - Wednesday, April 21 at 10:30 a.m. (Live via Zoom); contact [ameyers@freeportpubliclibrary.org](mailto:ameyers@freeportpubliclibrary.org) for Zoom link.
  - Saturday, April 24 – recording posted at 10:30 in Freeport Public Library Storytime [Facebook Group](#)
- **Bird Scavenger Hunt:** Pick up your bird scavenger hunt sheet at the Freeport Public Library or the Freeport Art Museum. Return it to the library when you are finished for a small prize and entry into the grand prize drawing. Scavenger hunt runs May 1-29.
- **Bird Activities provided by Miss Amanda (either in person or at home)**
  - June 14: Bird Feeders
  - July 12: Owl Pellets
  - August 2: Bird Houses

#### FREEPORT ART MUSEUM (visit [www.freeportartmuseum.com/new-events](http://www.freeportartmuseum.com/new-events) to register for events)

- **Thursday, April 8 at 4:30 p.m. – Draw A Bird Day with Mr. Barry (Zoom)**
  - Register online FAM Facebook page for kids 6 – 12
- **Saturday, May 8 at 10:30 a.m. – World Migratory Bird Day Celebration at Taylor Park**
  - Families pick up wings and beaks from the museum to decorate in advance. Games, snacks and kite making are some of the fun! (Program with Northwest Illinois Audubon Society)
- **Thursday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. – Carrie Carlson Live Conversation (Zoom)**
  - A FAM Members-only zoom event: Carrie Carlson talks about her techniques and materials used in creating her bird art work. (Register online at FAM website for Zoom link)
- **Saturday, May 22 at 1:00 p.m. – Alice Hargrave Live Conversation (Zoom)**
  - Join us in a conversation with Alice Hargrave about her latest installation: The Suffragette Conference of the Birds after Farīd Attar at the Freeport Art Museum. (Register online at FAM Website for Zoom link)

**NORTHWEST ILLINOIS AUDUBON SOCIETY – Celebrating 50 years! (visit [www.nwilaudubon.org](http://www.nwilaudubon.org) for information)**

**Celebrating 50 years as a chapter!**

- **April 11 to 22 – Virtual Film screening of “Racing Extinction” – contact [nwilaudubon@gmail.com](mailto:nwilaudubon@gmail.com) for link**
  - Documentary about endangered species and the race to protect them from mass extinction
- **April 29 at 7:00 p.m. – Understanding the Survival by Degrees Report, Juliet Moderow (Zoom)**
  - Highland Community College Biology Instructor and Audubon member will explain the science behind the National Audubon Society “Survival by Degrees” report which states that two-thirds of North American birds are at increasing risk of extinction from climate change.
- **May 4, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. – Forest Park Owls: Hiding in Plain Sight, Mark H.X. Glenshaw (Zoom)**
  - Award-winning naturalist will discuss the lives of Great Horned Owls with photos and videos
- **June 5, 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. – EARTH fest (see website for up-to-date information)**
  - Location to be determined (Freeport Public Library, Debate Square, and/or Arts Plaza)
  - Exhibits and activities for children and adults. Live animal program with Hoo Haven and Northern IL Raptor Rehab & Education; Music by Kendra Swanson; Earth-based Yoga with Pat Leitzen Fye
- **June 16, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. – Donation of Binoculars to the Freeport Boys & Girls Club**
  - Christian Cooper and members of the Northwest Illinois Audubon Society will instruct kids in the use of binoculars and the joys and methods of being a birdwatcher.
- **June 16, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. – Christian Cooper in Conversation at the Boys & Girls Club (Live/Zoom)**
  - A conversation on being a black birder with teens and adults. Special guest Christian Cooper will talk about his experience with racism in Central Park while bird watching and being a black nature enthusiast. Live in person and Zoom – contact FAM
- **June 17 at 10:30 a.m. – A bird walk with Christian Cooper at Taylor Park**
  - Learn the joys of birding; Limited group size - registration required through FAM.

**SUMMARY OF EVENTS BY DATE**

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**July 12:** Owl Pellet Activity – *Freeport Public Library*

