

2017 LADD MARSH BIRD FESTIVAL - Schedule of Events

Friday, May 19

Friday activities will be at the Union County Senior Center, 1504 North Albany, La Grande.

- 6:00 p.m. Register and receive your passport with information directing you to staffed birding stations and other “birdy” areas. Register for workshops and field trips; Visit vendor and informational displays and enjoy music performed by the La Grande High School Jazz Ensemble.
- 7 p.m. The Odd-Strings perform Karen Antell’s original songs about birds, birding and Ladd Marsh.
- 7:30 p.m. A presentation by Mark Obmascik, the author of *The Big Year: A Tale of Man, Nature and Fowl Obsession* and *Halfway to Heaven: My White-knuckled - and Knuckleheaded Quest for the Rocky Mountain High*. This presentation will include interpretation for the deaf.

Saturday, May 20

- 4:45 a.m. Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area opens to public access with passport.
- 6 a.m. Registration at Tule Lake Public Access Area on Peach Road
Register and receive passport with information directing you to staffed birding stations and other “birdy” areas.
Register for available spaces on field trips and workshops.
- 6:00 am – 12 Noon Staffed Birding Stations open.
- 7:00 am – 12 Noon Deaf Birder tour of staffed birding stations (Meet at Peach Road Registration).
- 9:00 am – 12 Noon Plein Air Artists at Staffed Birding Stations – Sponsored by Art Center East.
- 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Kids’ Activities open (Build a bird house, become a Junior Birder & more).
- 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Lunch available for purchase to benefit La Grande Philly Trip.
- 1 p.m. Birds of Prey presentation by Blue Mountain Wildlife Center.
- 2:30 p.m. Guided Bird Walk on Tule Lake Public Access Area.
- 4 p.m. Registration closes.
- 8:45 p.m. Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area closes to public access.

Sunday, May 21

- 4:45 a.m. Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area opens to public access with passport.
- 4:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Field trips depart (participants must pre-register for field trips).
- 6 a.m. Registration open at Tule Lake Public Access Area on Peach Road.
- 10 a.m. Registration closes.
- 8:45 p.m. Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area closes to public access.