



2020 Atlanta Audubon Scholarship Opportunities

For more than two decades, Atlanta Audubon Society has awarded two annual scholarships to attend National Audubon's renowned summer ecology camps. Camp fees and up to \$300 travel expenses are provided by the scholarship.

Louisa Echols Scholarship for Educators

The Louisa Echols scholarship will enable the recipient to attend Audubon Camp at Hog Island in Maine to enhance his/her knowledge of the environment and incorporate that knowledge on the job. The scholarship recipient will attend "Sharing Nature: An Educator's Week" from July 12-17, 2020. The recipient will participate in a host of Audubon Camp field trips, including a boat trip to the restored Atlantic Puffin and tern colony on Eastern Egg Rock, intertidal explorations, and hiking through Hog Island's unspoiled spruce-fir forest. The camp's inspiring and experienced instructors will discuss the latest trends in environmental education and share their favorite approaches, methods, and activities for engaging children with nature and citizen science. More information about the camp is available at <http://hogisland.audubon.org/sharing-nature-educator-s-week>.

Eligibility:

- Be a teacher or environmental educator in the metro Atlanta area currently teaching science, natural history, or environmental education.
- Be available for an interview with the Atlanta Audubon Scholarship Committee.
- Be willing to participate in three Atlanta Audubon Society activities within a year of camp, including writing an article about the experience for *Wingbars*.
- Be 18 years or older.

Edward Barnsley Scholarship for Youth

The goal of the Edward Barnsley Scholarship is to instill in the recipient a love, respect, and sense of stewardship for the natural world by attending Audubon's "Coastal Bird Studies for Teens" at Hog Island in Maine from June 21-26, 2020. During this intensive camp session, the scholarship recipient will work with some of the country's best-known birders and ornithologists on field identification, bird ecology, and conservation. The program provides participants with the opportunity to observe Audubon's seabird conservation field research in action, and it is the only Hog Island program that lands participants on Eastern Egg Rock during the puffin breeding season. More information about the camp is available at <http://hogisland.audubon.org/bird-studies-teens>.

Eligibility:

- Be a student in the metro Atlanta area with an avid interest in birds.
- Be willing to participate in three Atlanta Audubon Society activities within a year of camp, including writing an article about the experience for *Wingbars*.
- Be 14-17 years old. Note: For campers that are 14 years old, you CANNOT fly independently to camp due to airline restrictions.

How to Apply

The completed application should be submitted via email to melanie@atlantaaudubon.org no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, February 14, 2020. Winners will be notified by March 1. For additional information, contact Melanie Furr at melanie@atlantaaudubon.org or call 678.973.2437.

Louisa Echols Scholarship and Edward Barnsley Scholarship Application Form

Select Scholarship:

Louisa Echols Scholarship
(18 years and older)

Edward Barnsley Scholarship
(Ages 14-17)

Applicant Name:	
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
County:	
Telephone #:	
Email Address:	
Occupation / Employer (adult applicant only):	
Age (youth only):	
Atlanta Audubon member? (Y/N)	
Parent/Guardian Name:	

Complete the following questions on a separate sheet of paper:

1. When and how did you develop an interest in birds/birding? What are your other hobbies and interests?
2. Why are you interested in attending Audubon Camp? What do you plan to do with the knowledge and experience when you return?

If selected, you will be asked to participate in two activities within a year of the camp:

1. Speak at an Atlanta Audubon Society chapter meeting about your camp experience or write about your camp experience for the Atlanta Audubon Society newsletter, Wingbars.
2. Assist with a youth education program or community outreach event.

I certify that I am in good health and agree to participate in the full program at the camp chosen. I agree to participate in the above outlined activities of the Atlanta Audubon Society.

Applicant Signature**Date****Parent/Guardian Signature
(youth only)****Date**