



Participant Code of Conduct: Birdathon 2022

Seattle Audubon offers many programs and activities to the community, including Birdathon. In our goal to provide an enjoyable experience for all and provide an active model of respect for birds, people, and other wildlife, we provide this statement of expectations for participants in Seattle Audubon programs and activities, which includes Birdathon.

Seattle Audubon expects that all Birdathon participants:

- Use kind and welcoming language, regardless of another participant's bird knowledge, personal background, or new association with Seattle Audubon
- Respectfully use cellphones and other electronic devices; engage in the ethical use of playback (playing a recording of birdsong to lure a bird into view)
- Are prepared for your own safety and comfort by wearing clothing and footwear suitable for the environment and weather
- Remain aware of how others are using the space around you, including other members of the public; and avoid blocking trails or pathways
- Remember that the Seattle Audubon building, grounds, or loaned equipment are all assets that many people use; please treat all with respect and care
- Be respectful of birds, wildlife, and their habitat at all times

And specific to COVID-19:

- Masks are optional while outside and participating in Birdathon April 31 – May 15, 2022.
- Carpools are permitted for fully vaccinated individuals wearing masks. Carpools are prohibited for unvaccinated or partially vaccinated individuals while participating in Birdathon.
- If you are a member of a Birdathon team, teams may conduct their Big Day counts together in person. It is always a good idea to communicate with other members of your team on their personal masking preferences.
- Adhere to all local guidelines as outlined in: [King County COVID-19 Resources](#)
- Stay safe – for yourself, for your community, and for birds, who need our continued commitment!

Respect all other relevant Seattle Audubon policies. If you're unsure, please ask. Any behavior that is prohibited by law will not be tolerated. Seattle Audubon will attempt to apply these rules in a fair and reasonable manner. Failure to comply with this code of conduct could result in the restriction of privileges.