

Stikine River Birding Festival

April 24-27, 2014

Schedule of Events

April 21 – April 23

All Day Classes at Wrangell Public Schools

Guest artist Elizabeth Kunibe will teach art classes for the students of Wrangell. Stop by the Nolan Center on the 24th to admire the students' artwork.

Photo Contest – FREE to enter

Start taking photos! For detailed photo contest rules, go to www.stikinebirding.org. Entries due at the Nolan Center by 5:00pm, Tuesday, April 22, 2014. Winners will be announced at the Thursday night reception.

Art Exhibit? - FREE

Selected pieces of guest artist Elizabeth Kunibe will be on display beginning on Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the James & Elsie Nolan Center.

Available - Charter Tours on the Stikine River

Take a jet boat ride to enjoy wildlife and bird viewing in the beautiful setting of the Stikine-LeConte Wilderness. Contact local charter operators or Wrangell CVB at 800-367-9745 for more information.

Thursday - April 24

Among Penguins: Life Down South

SRBF guest speaker Noah Strycker will be talking to Wrangell students about his stint researching penguins in Antarctica.

10:00 am – 11:00am Story Time – FREE

Bring the little ones for readings from children's books.

Located and Sponsored by: Irene Ingle Public Library

6:00 Stikine River Birding Festival Reception -FREE

Come by and meet our guest artist and speakers over snacks and refreshments. Admire both Elizabeth's art on display, as well as the work from local Wrangell students. Photo contest winners will be announced, and copies of Noah Strycker's brand-new book will be available for purchase.

Location: James & Elsie Nolan Center

6:15 pm Bird Tales – FREE

What's the craziest thing you've seen a raven do? Ever had a Hitchcockian "The Birds" experience? This is your chance to share your best bird story! Prizes will be awarded for best adult and youth tales!

Location: James & Elsie Nolan Center

7:00 pm BIRD WORLD: INSIGHTS FOR HUMANS FROM THE WORLD OF BIRDS

Approaching bird behavior from new and surprising angles, Noah Strycker explores the astonishing homing abilities of pigeons, extraordinary memories of nutcrackers, self-image in magpies, life-long loves of albatrosses, particle physics of starling flocks, and other mysteries—revealing why birds do what they do, and how we can relate. With humor and wit, and drawing deep from cutting-edge science and anecdotes from the field, Noah's presentation will leave you with renewed inspiration about our close connections with birds.

Location: James & Elsie Nolan Center

Friday - April 25

Stikine River Birding Field Trip

Join us on a morning jetboat trip up the Stikine River to admire the spring scenery, and of course, the birds! Call Breakaway Adventures at 888-385-2488 to sign up; limited space available (Fee)

6:30 pm Tlingit Cultivation Practices - Free

Guest artist and anthropologist Elizabeth Kunibe will give a presentation on early Tlingit farming practices.

Location: James & Elsie Nolan Center

7:30 pm Falconry Presentation - FREE

Juneau falconer John Eiler will give a presentation on the art of falconry and introduce us to his gyrfalcon Mirage.

Location: James & Elsie Nolan Center

Saturday - April 26

7:00 am Breakfast with the Birds - FREE

Join local author and birder Bonnie Demerjian on a morning bird walk. A continental breakfast is provided! Location: Muskeg Meadows Golf Course

10:00 am –12:00 Wrangell Community Market

The first Community Market for 2014 View various artists' handiwork and goodies for sale. Plus stop by the Forest Service table for a free bird activity. Location: Nolan Center

10:00 am – 12:00pm Archaeology Activity - FREE

Paint Tlingit designs on red cedar shingles using fish eggs.

Location: Nolan Center. Sponsored by: US Forest Service

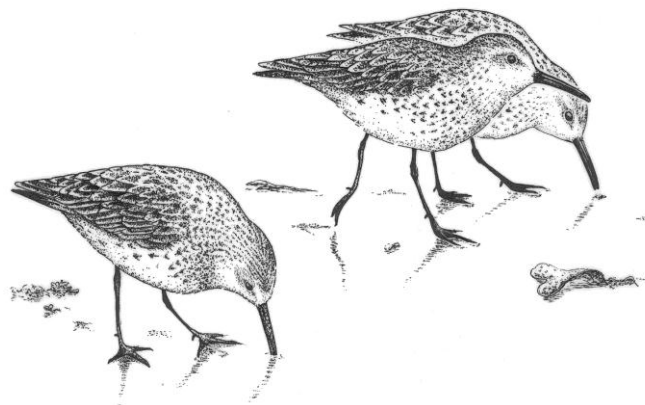
11:00 am – noon Critter Craft: Bird Houses - FREE

Stop by and make your very own bird house. Remember to bring your own hammer. Location: Nolan Center

Sponsored by: Angerman's Inc. and Outlet & US Forest Service

6:00 pm Ducks Unlimited Banquet with No Host Cocktails

Dinner served at 7:00 pm. Raffles along with live and silent auctions following dinner. For more information or to buy tickets call Keene Kohrt at 907-874-3877. Cost: Individuals \$60, Couples \$85; Includes membership. Location: James & Elsie Nolan Center



For more information: www.stikinebirding.org