



# Teacher Resource Center Index

The Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society has created several education programs and accumulated many materials that are available to educators in Santa Clara Valley. We house worksheets, lesson plans, games, activities, videos, posters, and much more. The materials, which have been compiled by members of our Education Committee, are divided according to subject and level. Almost all of these programs are designed for novices to present. Teachers who have no birding experience can easily present the materials to their students. Each unit can be tailored to your interests and level and many of our programs can be combined.

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## Slide Shows

Organized carousels of slides accompanied by scripts and/or recordings narrating the content of the show.

Individual bird slides are also available for checkout.

**Birds Around Us** - Focuses on backyard and schoolyard birds. Includes a student journal.

**Wonders of Wetlands** - Describes the different types of wetlands, the history of wetlands, and the plants and animals that are found there

**Wetland Birds** - Presents over 35 different species of birds found in the wetlands. Focuses on behavioral and biological characteristics

## Presentations

Experienced SCVAS Volunteers are available to visit classrooms to present any of our programs.

Presentations can be tailored to your curriculum needs and interests. With a minimum of a month's notice, SCVAS can usually arrange for any of programs listed on this sheet in addition to the following programs:

- Building Birdhouses
- Habitat is Home
- Bird Basics
- Bird Skins and Nests
- Peregrine Falcons -- a close-up view (seasonal)

## Education Kits

Pre-designed, one-hour units for teachers and youth leaders. Includes background information and outline.

- Migration
- Beaks and Feet (Bird Adaptations)
- Birds of Prey
- Cavity-Nesters

## Mounted Birds

Professionally taxidermied birds displayed in Plexiglas cases. Bird id, anatomy, art, and more!

- American Coot
- American Widgeon (male & female)
- Barn Owl
- Bufflehead
- California Quail
- Canada Goose
- Canvasback (male & female)
- Chukar
- Cinnamon Teal (male & female)
- Common Goldeneye (female)
- Common Snipe
- Gadwall (male & female)
- Golden Pheasant
- Greater White-fronted Goose
- Green-winged Teal (male & female)
- Lesser Scaup
- Mountain Quail
- Northern Pintail
- Northern Shoveler (male & female)
- Redhead
- Red-winged Blackbird
- Ring-necked Duck
- Ring-necked Pheasant
- Rose-breasted Grosbeak (immature)
- Ross's Goose
- Ruddy Duck (male & female)
- Snow Goose
- Surf Scoter
- White-fronted Goose (male and female)
- Wood Duck (male)

## Curricula, Worksheets, and Handouts

### WATER AND WETLANDS:

#### **Curricula/Teacher's Guides:**

Salt Marsh Manual  
Aquatic Project WILD  
NatureScope: Wading into Wetlands  
WOW! The Wonders of Wetlands  
Hands-on Save Our Streams Manual

#### **Other Materials:**

Palo Alto Baylands Fact Sheets  
Wetlands Poster  
Estuarywise  
Mud n' Fun  
Urban Runoff Clean Water Program Activity Book  
Wetlands Wildlife Viewing Guide

### BIRDS:

#### **Activities:**

Bird Behavior Bingo  
Burrowing Owl Worksheet  
Bird Word Search  
Bird Book Sample Activity Guides  
Dozens of Ducks  
Bird Adaptations  
A Look at Bird Nests  
What Bird?  
Paper Bag Mallards  
Simple Feeders  
How to Draw Birds  
Bird Adaptations  
Personal Field Guides

#### **Curricula/Teacher's Guides:**

Birds Around Us  
Come With Me: Birds  
Point Reyes Bird Observatory Teacher's Guide

#### **Posters:**

Family Portraits for 9 Different Bird Families  
Bird Migration in the Americas

### ENDANGERED SPECIES:

#### **Curricula/Teacher's Guides:**

U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife Endangered Species Packet  
California Endangered Species Resource Guide  
NatureScope: Endangered Species: Wild and Rare

### CONSERVATION and RECYCLING:

#### **Activities:**

Let's Recycle  
Bunches of Lunches  
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle  
Talk About Trees  
Captain Hydro  
Hazard Cards

### HABITATS:

#### **Video:**

A Home for Pearl

#### **Activities:**

A Place to Live  
AIMS: Our Wonderful World  
Get to Know Your Neighbors

#### **Posters:**

Home Is Where the Habitat Is  
International Migratory Bird Day  
National Wildlife Refuge Week

### PLANTS:

#### **Activities:**

Sorting Seeds  
The Leafy Facts  
Make a Terrarium  
The Seed Within

### ANIMALS:

#### **Activities:**

Color Me Safe  
Predator-Prey  
Spiders and Insects  
Creek Footprints  
Snails

### OTHER TOPICS:

#### **AIMS Newsletters**

#### **AIMS Activities:**

Down to Earth  
Jaw Breakers and Heart Thumpers  
From Head to Toe  
Weather or Not  
Temperature's Rising

### AUDUBON ADVENTURES:

**Videos:** Wolf, Puffin, Dolphin, Your Own Wildlife Oasis (6)

#### **Newsletters:** Owl Prowl, Coasts,

Waterbirds, Disappearing Birds, Endangered Species, Frogs, Amphibians, Desert, Marine Mammals, Migration, Nature in Neighborhoods, Oceans, Pond Life, Recycling, Sharing Earth, Schoolyards, Forests, Snakes, Songbirds, Teacher Guides, Wetlands, Wild Alaska, Wildflowers, Insects

### SPANISH AUDUBON ADVENTURES:

**Newsletters:** Animal Languages, Flowers, Insects, Seasons, Ponds, Marine Mammals, Snakes, Songbirds

#### **Posters**