

Tucson Bird Alliance's *Meet Your Birds* Event Comes to Sweetwater Wetlands

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Tucson, AZ—Join **Tucson Bird Alliance** and partner organizations on **Saturday, February 21, 2026** for **Tucson Meet Your Birds**, a free, family-friendly celebration of Southeast Arizona's unique birds and Tucson's new designation as part of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's **Urban Bird Treaty program**, recognizing our community's commitment to bird conservation and nature access.

Sweetwater Wetlands is the most popular birdwatching location in Tucson and a perfect venue for Tucsonans to *Meet Their Birds*. From **7:30–11:30am** enjoy guided bird walks, meet local experts, and explore interactive activities for all ages, including scavenger hunts and seeing live birds of prey up close! Tucson Bird Alliance's Nature Shop will have a pop-up booth selling bird and nature-themed items as well as optics. The Habitat on Wheels Trailer will be giving away free native plants and information on creating habitat in your own spaces. Whether you're an experienced birder or just curious, it's a great way to connect with Tucson's vibrant bird life and learn how you can support it.

The Urban Bird Treaty program is a collaborative effort between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and participating U.S. cities. The program supports partnerships of government agencies, non-profits, corporations, and local communities in conserving birds that live in and migrate through urban areas. The program has the dual focus of carrying out bird conservation while educating and engaging communities in caring about and conserving birds and habitats in their neighborhoods. The official signing ceremony designating Tucson as an Urban Bird Treaty City will be from **9–9:30am** and will include remarks from Mayor Regina Romero.

“The City of Tucson has been proud to join in this designation effort from the earliest days. I am grateful for all the work the Tucson Urban Bird Coalition and so many residents and organizations have done to make Tucson a safe place for people, birds and wildlife. This recognition uplifts the work of many Tucsonans and shows what cities can accomplish when they embrace science and conservation.” *-Mayor Regina Romero*

Don't miss this lively morning of birds, activities, and community celebration as Tucson comes together to mark an exciting new chapter for urban bird conservation. Learn more at tucsonbirds.org/tucson-meet-your-birds.

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About Tucson Bird Alliance

Founded in 1949, Tucson Bird Alliance inspires people to enjoy and protect birds through recreation, education, conservation, and restoration of the environment upon which we all depend. tucsonbirds.org

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