



2018 Atlanta Audubon Scholarship Opportunities

For over a decade, Atlanta Audubon Society has awarded two annual scholarships to attend a renowned summer ecology camp. This tradition continues in 2018 with the opportunity for recipients to attend Audubon's spectacular camp on Hog Island, Maine. The scholarships cover camp fees and up to \$300 in travel expenses.

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 15-20, 2018. 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. Participants learn how to create inquiry-based lessons on birds and other topics and explore teaching techniques using art, music, theater, journaling and other disciplines.

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 10-15, 2018. 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 olds - due to airline restrictions you CANNOT fly independently to camp.

How to Apply

The AAS scholarship application is available on our website at <http://www.atlantaudubon.org/scholarships> or by emailing our Director of Education, Melanie Furr, at melanie@atlantaudubon.org. The completed application should be submitted via email to melanie@atlantaudubon.org. **The application must be submitted by 5:00 PM on Friday, February 23.** Winners will be notified no later than March 1. For additional information, contact Melanie Furr at melanie@atlantaudubon.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** _____

