

San Francisco Bay Flyway Festival

FEBRUARY 6-8,
2009
BUILDING 897
MARE ISLAND
VALLEJO, CA

WILDLIFE EXPO
ART SHOW
LIVE WILD BIRDS
AUCTION
SLIDE SHOWS
GUIDED WALKS

MARE ISLAND
AND BAY AREA
REGIONAL
OUTINGS

FREE

Jenny Papkas, Curator at Native Bird Connections with an American Kestrel Falcon at the 2008 Flyway Festival. Wild, non-releasable education birds are shown at the Wildbird Shows sponsored by Swarovski Optik. Photo: John Klycinski



Welcome to the 13th Annual San Francisco Bay Flyway Festival

Dedicated to Bob Wisecarver and a dog named Dot

The words "the ebb and flow of life" do seem to say so much about our lives. They are a vivid image for those of us privileged to live so close to San Francisco Bay with its infusion of ebbing and flowing waters from the Pacific Ocean, the Petaluma and Napa Rivers, the Carquinez Strait and the myriad of creeks that refresh the Bay. From the Mare Island hilltop vantage point above the confluence of the waters of the Napa River and the Carquinez Strait, the stunning colors of sunsets over San Pablo Bay are made more dramatic by the reflection of glowing bands of light in the low tidal water at the shoreline. That brief brilliance reminds me that there is an abundant source of life in the murky darkness and cold of those waters,



providing nourishment for our annually migrating visitors from the far north.

Like them, Bob Wisecarver migrated annually for 11 years to Mare Island where we were awed and wowed by this amazingly passionate visitor who found nourishment in the Bay's precious wild and wide open spaces every bit as much as any avian visitor. His passion led him to make a lifelong commitment to the preservation and enjoyment of all things wild. He founded the Diablo Valley Fly Fishing Club and pioneered fly fishing in the Bay. When most people are winding down he seemed to get his second wind. He devoted the last 20 years or so of his life after retirement to providing habitat for quail and bats—although after giving more than an hour slide show at our first Flyway Festival in 1996 about the bat houses he had designed, he confessed that he didn't think bats had moved into any of them yet!

He transformed parts of Walnut Creek Open Space that after years of cattle grazing, were short on habitat for critters. At his memorial this summer, I was so privileged to revel in Bob Wisecarver stories for a couple of hours. I knew I would miss him, but after that afternoon, I know more of why I will. Bob, I dedicate this year's Flyway Festival to you.



Another cherished friend of the Flyway Festival died this year. My dog Dot, my constant companion and someone many of you came to know, died of a rare disease in December.

I find comfort in knowing that in the ebb and flow, life does go on and that even in tumultuous times some things do remain constant. Shorebirds, waterfowl and hawks have returned to the Bay. The Flyway Festival opens its doors to you for another year and the Bay still ebbs and flows, renewing us all.

Myrna Hayes, Festival Coordinator

2009 Host Sponsor



**For additional information call:
707-649-WING(9464) or 707-557-9816
Festival Website: SFBayflywayfestival.com**

Osprey at Mare Island. Five nesting pairs were observed during the summer of 2008
Photo: Steve Farley



Wildlife and Birding Expo Presentations and Slide Shows, Building 897

Friday, February 6

7:15-7:45pm **Stephen Ingraham Reads "The Kingfisher"**

7:45pm-9pm **A Tribute to Bob Wisecarver**, Slide Show by Brian Murphy, Walnut Creek Open Space Foundation

Saturday, February 7

11:30am-12:30pm **Native Bird Connections Raptor Show "The Wonder of Raptors"**, Jenny Papkas, Curator

12noon-1pm **Take Your Picture with the National Wildlife Refuge Blue Goose Mascot**, San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge booth

12:30pm-1pm **Cruising With Peregrine and Osprey on the Eastern Flyway**, Slide Show by Jay Sheets, Instructor Sierra College

1-2pm **California Soundscapes** Lecture and Demonstration by Dan Dugan and Sharon Perry, Nature Sounds Society

2-2:30pm **Suisun Wildlife Center Slide Show and Live Wildlife Visit**

Monique Liguori, Executive Director

2pm-3pm **"Salty's Search for a Habitat" Puppet Show, Make a Finger Puppet and Sing Mucky Fun Music** with San Pablo Bay NWR

Sunday, February 8

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12noon-1pm **Take Your Picture with the National Wildlife Refuges Blue Goose Mascot**, San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge booth

12:30-1:30pm **Tales from the Clinic: International Bird Rescue and Research Center Stories**, Slide Show by Megan Prelinger, Member of IBRRC Emergency Response Team

1:30pm-2pm **Cruising With Peregrine and Osprey on the Eastern Flyway**, Slide Show by Jay Sheets, Instructor Sierra College

2-3pm **California Soundscapes** Lecture and Demonstration by Dan Dugan and Sharon Perry, Nature Sounds Society

Flyway Festival Art and Photography Workshops and Demonstrations

Saturday, February 7

11am-11:30am **Getting Great Digiscope Images** Clay Taylor, Naturalist Market Manager, Swarovski Optik, Expo Slide Show Room

11am-1pm **Outdoor Painting Demonstration**, Benicia Plein Air Group Member Iris Sabre; check at Plein Air booth for demo location www.pleinairlinks.com

2:30-3:30pm **Digiscoping 101: Everything You Absolutely Have to Know About Digiscoping**, Steve Ingraham Carl Zeiss Sport Optics Specialist, Expo Slide Show Room

7pm-11pm **MARE ISLAND NOCTURNE Introductory Night Photography Workshop** on Mare Island FREE!
www.thenocturnes.com/workshops/flyway.html
Pacific Media Arts 707-645-9860

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Bay Area Wetlands to Ridgetops Fine Art Exhibit

Opening Reception

Friday, February 6
5:30-7pm

Preview fine art, sample wines of the region and food provided by Whole Foods Market of Napa, listen to pianist Guy Arrostuto and enjoy good company at the opening of the Flyway Festival and its Fine Art Exhibit with our Opening Reception and Festival Host, Weston Solutions. Art Exhibition Hall, Building 897.

Art Exhibit

Saturday, February 7 9am to 4pm
Sunday, February 8 9am to 3pm
Building 897, Art Exhibit Hall

Mare Island Hikes and Guided Outings

Friday, February 6

12:45pm-3:30pm **Mare Island Historic Southshore Walk**: meet at gate at south end of Railroad Ave.

1:45-5pm **Mare Island Birding Hot Spots Tour**: meet at Expo Outing Tent

Saturday, February 7

9am-11:30am **Mare Island Historic Shipyard, Alden Park and Officer's Row Hike**: meet at Expo Outing Tent (5 miles)

9am-4pm **American Volkssport Association Sanctioned 5k and 10k Volkswalk**: Check in at Expo

9:30am-3pm **Flyway Festival Self-Guided Refuge Walk Hosted by Weston Solutions, Inc. and Napa-Solano Audubon Society**: starts across Azuar Dr. from Expo at yellow gate

10am-11am **Walking Tour of Historic Mare Island Naval Shipyard**: meet at Alden Park 8th St. & Railroad Ave.

10am-11:30am **Walk to the Top of the Mare Island Shoreline Heritage Preserve**: meet at end of Railroad Ave. at Preserve "warming hut"

10am-3pm **Mare Island Shoreline Heritage Preserve Self-guided Walk**: past gate at south end of Railroad Ave.

12:45-3:30pm **Discover the Back Country and Bay of Mare Island Hike**: meet at corner of Nereus St. and Flagship Dr. right turn off of Azuar Dr.

1pm-2:15pm **Beginning Birding for Families**: meet at Expo Outing Tent

1pm-3pm **Delve Deep into Mare Island Naval Cemetery History Docent Tour**: meet at Cemetery past gate at south end of Railroad Ave.

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10am-11am **Walking Tour of Historic Mare Island Naval Shipyard**: meet at Expo outing tent to carpool or meet at Alden Park, 8th St. and Railroad Ave.

10am-11:30am **Learn About Former Shipyard on Heritage Preserve Guided Walk**: meet at Preserve "warming hut" at south end of Railroad Ave.

10am-3pm **Mare Island Shoreline Heritage Preserve Self-guided Walk**: past gate at south end of Railroad Ave.

10:30am-12noon **Let's Go Birding with Lisa Myers**: meet at Expo Outing Tent

1pm-2pm **Beginning Birding for Families**: meet at Expo Outing Tent

Mare Island Museum, Ship, Chapel and Van Tours

Friday, February 6

10am-3pm **Come Aboard the USS LCS(L) 102 Mighty Midget Restored WWII Landing Craft Support Gunboat**, Berth 6 A St. and Nimitz Ave.

Saturday, February 7

9am-10:45am **Discover Mare Island's Historic Naval Ammunition Depot by Van Tour**, register Weston Solutions exhibit booth

10am-3pm **Come Aboard the USS LCS(L) 102 Mighty Midget Restored WWII Landing Craft Support Gunboat**, See directions above

10am-3pm **Tours St. Peter's Chapel** Walnut Ave. beyond Captain's Row and the **Mare Island Museum** 8th and Railroad Ave \$3 each site

11:15am-1pm **Discover Mare Island's Historic Naval Ammunition Depot by Van Tour**, register WESTON booth

1:45-3:30pm **Discover Mare Island's Historic Naval Ammunition Depot by Van Tour**, register WESTON booth

5-6pm **Sunset Vista Visit to Building 505**, meet at entrance past yellow gate across the street from Expo

Sunday, February 8

9:30am-11:15am **Discover Mare Island's Historic Naval Ammunition Depot by Van Tour**, register WESTON booth

10am-3pm **Come Aboard the USS LCS(L) 102 Mighty Midget Restored WWII Landing Craft Support Gunboat**, See Friday 10am directions

10am-3pm **Tour St. Peter's Chapel and Mare Island Museum**, See Saturday 10am directions

12:30pm-2:15pm **Discover Mare Island's Historic Naval Ammunition Depot by Van Tour**, WESTON booth



Cranes in the evening light poised to return to work at Drydock One, listed on the National Register of Historic Places at the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard.

Photo: Steve Farley

Regional Outings

Friday, February 6

8am-10am Ducks, Shorebirds, and Raptors of American Canyon Wetlands

David Takeuchi, Field Trip Chair, Napa Solano Audubon Society

If you are new to birding, learn about ducks, shorebirds, hawks and falcons that are wintering in our wetlands. We are fortunate that they are in our back yard, in the Pacific Flyway. If you are a birder, experience another season of bird migration at an expanding wetlands. We may visit the American Canyon Waste Water Treatment Plant catchment ponds. An easy walk. No restrooms.

Directions: From Hwy 29, turn west onto American Canyon Rd. Turn right onto Wetlands Edge Rd. Meet at parking lot on Eucalyptus Dr.

9am-10:30am Tour Sustainable Demonstration Vineyard in the Carneros Napa County

Meet *Dave Steiner, Napa County Resource Conservation District*, at the RCD' sustainable demonstration vineyard to learn how winegrapes are grown naturally while providing wildlife habitat. See an array of upland & water birds, as well as wildlife habitat improvements recommended for sustainable agricultural practices.

Directions: From Napa, Vallejo and East Bay, turn west at light from Hwy 29 onto Hwy 12/121. Continue to Duhig Rd. Turn left. Proceed on Duhig until it becomes Ramal Rd. at sharp turn. Immediately turn left and park at vineyard. From Petaluma, Sonoma & Marin, turn right onto Ramal Rd. from Hwy 12/121. Continue about 4 miles where Ramal makes a sharp turn. Immediately turn right and park at vineyard.

9am-10:45am Morning Boat Tour of Napa's New Marsh

Repeats Friday 11am and 1pm, Saturday 8am, 10am and 12noon; Sunday 7am.

See shorebirds and raptors on guided birdwatching cruise into Napa's New Marsh aboard an electric-motor launch. Meet at

Kennedy Park Dock. Ample parking. Refreshments served. Boat canopied. Trip goes rain or shine. SPACE LIMITED. No children under 12. Reservations required; \$35 (707) 224 9080 Use code [FLY1] when registering.
www.napariveradventures.com

9am-1pm Hudeman Slough Hawk Walk (Replaces Skaggs Island)

Repeats Saturday 12noon and 4pm and Sunday, 9am

In the place of our Skaggs Island hawk outings this year, join *Napa County Birder Murray Berner* for a birding walk along the 2.5 miles of walking trails at the Hudeman Slough wetland restoration in the Carneros region of Southern Sonoma County. We expect to return to the former Navy property next year. The enhanced wetlands, managed by the Sonoma County Water Agency & Sonoma County Sanitation with California Department of Fish & Game are former hayfields restored to a mix of tidal wetlands, grasslands, pickleweed marsh, seasonal wetlands & ponds and permanent ponds tied to nearby Hudeman Slough. You will see waterbirds and search for a variety of buteos, including Red-tailed, Ferruginous, and Rough-legged Hawks. Previous festival outings at nearby Skaggs Island have observed 4 species of falcons. Golden Eagle is a distinct possibility. All ages and levels of birding experience. Levee could be muddy; dress accordingly. Only heavy rain cancels!

Directions: From Napa, Vallejo & East Bay, turn west at the stoplight from Highway 29 onto Highway 12/121. Continue to Duhig Rd. Turn left and proceed on Duhig until it becomes Ramal Rd. at a sharp turn. Continue on Ramal Rd. past Skaggs Island Rd. The gravel parking lot is on the left approx. 1 mile past Skaggs Island Rd. A large barn is located near the parking area. Meet at the green and blue interpretive sign adjacent to the parking lot. From Petaluma, Sonoma & Marin, turn right from Highway 12/121 onto Ramal Rd. Continue on Ramal Rd. approx. 2 miles to the gravel lot described above.

9:30am-12noon Shollenberger Park Wetlands Tour

Repeats Saturday, 9:30am and Sunday, 9:30am

Led by Park docents with viewing scopes, Petaluma Wetlands Alliance Twenty-five species of duck, teal and grebe and Sora and Virginia Rails. Shorebirds may include Marbled Godwit, Long-billed Curlew, and Willet. Two-mile trail is paved and wheelchair accessible. Species list and photos see

www.petalumawetlandspark.org

Directions: From Hwy 37, turn north onto Lakeville Hwy and left at 2nd signal, South McDowell Blvd. Drive 3 blocks to park opposite Cader Lane. Sign-ups not required. Call Bob Dyer, (707) 763-2934.

11am-12:45am Morning Boat Tour of Napa's New Marsh

Same as Friday, 9am, use code [FLY2] when registering.

1pm-2:45am Afternoon Boat Tour of Napa's New Marsh

Same as Friday 9am, use code [FLY3] when registering.

2-3pm Suisun Wildlife Center Tour

The Suisun Marsh Natural History Association presents a tour of its Suisun Wildlife Center, which rehabilitates and releases back to the wild Solano County wildlife. Go behind the scenes to learn how injured wildlife is helped. See the center's non-releasable education birds and animals—a Golden Eagle, a recently acquired Coyote, Red-tailed Hawk and more. Limit: 30 participants. Call 707-429-4295.

Directions: From I-80 exit at Hwy 12 in Fairfield-near the Budweiser Brewery. Travel East on Hwy 12 toward Suisun for 3 miles to the first exit AFTER the Pennsylvania St. exit. Exit at the Civic Center Blvd/Suisun City Business District exit. Turn left onto Main St. Proceed to stop sign past downtown. Turn left onto Cordelia Rd. Take next right to 1171 Kellogg St.

Napa River north of the Hwy 37 Napa River Bridge. East Bay Hills and Mare Island in background. Photo: Myrna Hayes



Saturday, February 7

5:30-6:45am A Railing we will go!

Have you heard of owling and been? What about railing? Join *Robin Leong* for an early morning search for the voices of these elusive and rare residents of American Canyon Wetlands. Probable candidates are Sora, Virginia, Black and California Clapper Rails. Heavy rain cancels.

Directions: From Vallejo/East Bay/Sonoma/Napa: From Hwy 29, turn west onto American Canyon Rd. Turn right onto Wetlands Edge Rd. Meet in the parking lot to the left on Eucalyptus Dr. From Marin/Sonoma County: Take Hwy 37 eastbound toward Vallejo. Exit Hwy 29. Go north on Hwy 29 towards Napa. Turn left at American Canyon Road. Follow directions above.

8am-9:45am Morning Boat Tour of Napa's New Marsh

Same as Friday 9am, use code [FLY4] when registering.

8am-11am Birding American Canyon from Wetlands to the Quarry

Robin Leong, Napa Solano Audubon Society field guide leads a morning of birding beginning at American Canyon Wetlands to look for waterfowl and shorebirds, moving to American Canyon Quarry to look for raptors. The wetlands at American Canyon are easily accessible and abundant with a

variety of species. The quarry is a "new" location for Festival birding.

Directions: From Vallejo/East Bay/Sonoma/Napa: From Hwy 29, turn west onto American Canyon Rd. Turn right onto Wetlands Edge Rd. Meet in the parking lot on Eucalyptus Dr. From Marin/Sonoma County: Take Hwy 37 eastbound toward Vallejo. Exit Hwy 29. Go north on Hwy 29 towards Napa. Turn left at American Canyon Road. Follow directions above.

8:45am-12noon Rush Creek, Cemetery Marsh and Bahia

Marin Audubon Society Field Trip Leader, Lowell Sykes

Rare blue oak woodlands border salt marsh habitat. Shallow, diked, managed marshes provide excellent habitat for diverse assemblage of birds. Expect to see migratory shorebirds, waterfowl, diving birds, raptors and landbirds on the adjacent oak woodlands and grasslands. All levels welcome.

Directions: From Hwy 101 in Novato, take Atherton Ave exit, go east, and turn left onto Binford Road immediately after crossing overpass. Park at the "Park and Ride" or along Binford Road near the trailhead. From Hwy 37, take Atherton Ave. exit, travel north to Binford Road. For information, call 415-388-2821. Max. number attendees: 25 Heavy rain cancels.

9am-11am Raptors and Other Birds of Suisun Marsh

Join local birding expert *Joanne Castro* for a birdwalk. Birds of prey and other majestic bird inhabitants of Rush Ranch and the Suisun Marsh will be observed and discussed. Bring binoculars and Field Guides. Easy walking terrain. Wear warm clothing. No pre-registration required. Heavy rain cancels! Meet at Visitor Center.

Directions: Rush Ranch is located near Suisun City, approx. 2 1/4 miles South of Hwy 12 on Grizzly Isle. Rd. Grizzly Isle. Rd. is next to Jack In the Box at Hwy 12 and Sunset Ave. Call 432-0150 or, 644-8191; visit www.rushranch.org

9:30am-11:30am Sonoma Baylands Tidal Wetland Walk

Meet *Giselle Block*, Wildlife Biologist for San Pablo Bay NWR to view and learn about wetland transition zone restoration in this developing marsh habitat. Learn about these 348 acre tidal wetlands constructed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1995, and plans after they are added to the Refuge.

Directions: Turn south off Hwy 37 at Port Sonoma Marina, follow signs.

9:30am-12noon Shollenberger Park Wetlands Tour

Repeats Friday and Sunday, 9am. See Friday 9:30am description.

10am-11:45am Morning Boat Tour of Napa's New Marsh

Same as Friday, 9am, use code [FLY5] when registering.

10am-12noon Antioch Dunes National Wildlife Refuge Tour

Join *Docent Michael Krieg* to learn about three endangered species on this refuge that occur nowhere else in the world—Lange's metalmark butterfly, Contra Costa wallflower and Antioch Dunes evening primrose. Group stays together, so no late arrivals or early departures.

Directions: 501 Fulton Shipyard Rd. Take Hwy 4 east to Lone Tree/A Street exit in Antioch. Travel north on A Street, right on Wilbur Avenue, turn left on Fulton Shipyard Road, follow sign to gate.

Saturday Regional Outings (con't.)

10am-4pm Endangered Lange's Metalmark Butterflies Need Your Help!

Help the butterfly survive by planting naked-stemmed buckwheat plants, the only plant where the butterfly will lay its eggs. Join the planting party! Bring a lunch, rain gear, sturdy pants and shoes, a hat, and gloves. Gloves and tools provided. 10 a.m. training. Stay as long as you wish. Call Louis Terrazas, 510-377-1233.

Directions: See 10am Antioch Dunes NWR previous page.

12noon-1:45am Afternoon Boat Tour of Napa's New Marsh

Same as Friday 9am, use code [FLY6] when registering.

12noon-2:30pm Pond 1/Cullinan Ranch North Bay Ecology Walk

Join wetland biologist Francesca Demgen, President of the Friends of San Pablo Bay NWR for a walk on the levee between two habitats: shallow, managed pond and seasonal wetland. Potential to see hundreds of shorebirds and ducks foraging and resting in Pond 1 and song birds and raptors over the seasonal wetland. Learn how pickleweed and ducks can both "drink" salt water and about restoration of thousands of acres of the San Pablo Baylands between the Napa and Petaluma Rivers. Meet at Outing Tent, Building 897, Mare Island to carpool.

12noon-3:30pm Hudeman Slough Hawk Walk (Replaces Skaggs Island)

Field Trip Leader: Napa County Birder Murray Berner

Repeats Friday 9am, Saturday 4pm and Sunday, 9am. See Friday description.

1pm-3:30pm Sears Point Cougar Mountain Hike

Hike up Cougar Mountain with John Brosnan, Sonoma Land Trust Project Director, Sears Point Restoration. Explore vernal pools, view San Pablo Bay and learn about the Sears Point Restoration Project. Meet at the San Pablo Bay NWR Headquarters.

Directions: From Napa and Sonoma continue westbound from Hwy 12/121 through light at Sears Point to light at Lakeville Hwy. Make U-turn at

Lakeville Hwy light. Refuge is .25 miles on right. From Vallejo travel west on Hwy 37, past Hwy 121 light. Follow directions above. From Marin eastbound on Hwy 37, Refuge is .25 miles on right after Lakeville Hwy light. Turn right into driveway of dairy farm. No refuge signs, cones at entrance.

1:30pm-3pm Bird Migration

Environmental Education Center, Alviso

Why do they migrate? How far do they fly? Who flies the farthest? Learn about bird migration and some of the hazards birds encounter on their seasonal travels. Enjoy playing a migration game. Ages 5 and up. Led by Ed Kantack. Reservations Required. Call Lindy at 408-262-5513 ext 102.

2-4pm Guadalupe Canal Village Wetland Restoration Marsh Shorebird Observation

Join Refuge volunteers to view the Caltrans wetland restoration site. Restoration information and telescopes to view shorebirds provided. A Refuge van shuttle will leave from the "Outing Tent" in front of Building 897 every 30 minutes or drive and park.

Driving Directions from Festival: Turn one-way right from Building 897 onto Walnut Ave. Turn left onto G St. Turn left at flashing stoplight onto Railroad Ave. Continue north through North Gate. Make immediate left onto Hwy 37 overpass. Turn left into parking lot.

4pm-6pm Hudeman Slough Hawk Walk (Replaces Skaggs Island)

Repeats Friday 9am, Saturday 12noon and Sunday, 9am. See Friday 9am description.

Field trip leader Brian Collett and friends

Sunday, February 8

7am-8:45am Sunrise Boat Marsh Tour of Napa's New Marsh

Same as Friday 9am, use code [FLY7] when registering.

9am-12:30pm Hudeman Slough Hawk Walk (Replaces Skaggs Island)

Repeats Friday 9am and Saturday 12noon and 4pm

Field Trip Leader: Napa County hike leader Chip Bouril

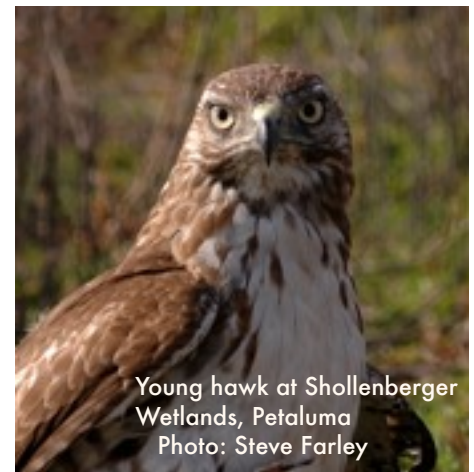
9:30am-12noon Shollenberger Park Wetlands Tour

Repeats Friday and Saturday 9am. See Friday description.

10am-12noon Tracking Through the Slough

Environmental Education Center, Alviso

Learn all about the refuge animals that make tracks and what these critters tell us about the health of our watershed. After a slide show, head out on the trail to search for and identify tracks. Make our own tracks to decorate and take home! All ages. Reservations required. Call 408-262-5513 ext. 104.



Young hawk at Shollenberger Wetlands, Petaluma
Photo: Steve Farley

10am-1pm Bird Walk at Cullinan Ranch, San Pablo Bay NWR

Repeats Sunday, 1-3pm

Join Francesca Demgen, wetland biologist and President of Friends of San Pablo Bay NWR, for bird viewing and discussion about the wetland restoration work planned for this 1,500 acre former oat hay ranch. No facilities.

Directions: From Vallejo travel west on Hwy 37. Cullinan Ranch is 1.5 miles west of the Napa River Bridge. Turn right and follow signs to parking area on grass. From Marin or Sonoma: go to Mare Island north gate, reverse direction and follow Vallejo directions.

Festival Logistics

Weather and What to Wear and Bring

Plan to dress warmly! Bring binoculars, a viewing scope and camera. Weather could be sunny, foggy, windy or lightly rainy; dress for all possibilities. Only heavy rain cancels outings. Walking shoes recommended and waterproof footwear advised for some sites. Bring a snack and drinks if desired. Many outing sites do not have restroom facilities.

For additional information call:
707-649-WING(9464) or
707-557-9816

Festival Website:
SFBayFlywayFestival.com

All events are open to the public and free of charge—unless otherwise noted. Some activities require pre-registration.

Thanks to the City of Vallejo, the U.S. Navy for use of the facilities on Mare Island and the San Pablo

Bay and Antioch Dunes NWR for access to the Refuges.

For information about local birding, check out these websites:
www.birdingonthe.net

<http://fog.ccsf.cc.ca.us/~jmorlan/>

Northern California BirdBox
phone: 415-681-7422

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Steve Farley, Celeste Langstaff,
Myrna Hayes

Travel Directions

Bus and BART

Vallejo Express BARTLink Monday-Friday bus from El Cerrito Del Norte BART station to Vallejo every 30 minutes from 5:15am to 10:54pm; Weekends, 6:32am-11:01pm.

At York and Marin terminal, transfer (free) to #5 Redwood bus to the Mare Island main gate. Buses accommodate bikes. Adult fare: \$5.00 each way. Senior/Disabled fare: \$2.50 each way. Casual carpool(as in hitchhike!) or walk from Mare Island entrance to Festival. Return Express BARTLink Route 80 service from Vallejo York and Marin terminal to El Cerrito Del Norte every 30 minutes 4:25am to 10:30pm; Saturday, 6:05am to 10:30pm. Sunday, 7:35am to 8:35pm. Call 707-648-4666 M-F 8am-5:30pm or visit www.vallejotransit.com.

Ferry/Express Bus to/from SF Ferry Building

The Vallejo Ferry and an Express Route 200 Bus service to and from San Francisco Ferry Building from Vallejo Ferry terminal is approximately 1 hour.

Express Vallejo Transit bus departs San Francisco Ferry Building weekdays; five times 6:05am to 8:30am; weekends; 8:10am and 9:40am. **Vallejo Ferry departs San Francisco Ferry Building weekdays:** 6 departures: 6:35am to 11:10am; **weekends:** 11:10am. Return to San Francisco by ferry or regular



Route 80 BARTLink service to El Cerrito Del Norte BART using Baylink Daypass(see purchase locations below). Morning ferry departures from Vallejo Ferry terminal to San Francisco: weekdays: seven departures

5:30am to 11:30am; weekend: 10:00am and 11:30am. Afternoon ferry departures from Vallejo Ferry terminal to San Francisco: weekday: 5 departures 2pm to 5:35pm; weekend: three departures 1pm to 6pm.

Afternoon departures to San Francisco Ferry Building from Vallejo Ferry terminal by express bus:

weekday, 9 departures 1pm to 9:30pm; weekends, three departures 2pm, 7:30pm and 9:30pm. Bikes allowed on ferries and buses. Tickets must be purchased in advance at Bay Crossings-SF Ferry Building and Vallejo Ferry Terminal. One-way fares: \$13.00 for adults, \$6.50 for youth, senior, disabled. Roundtrip Baylink Daypass for Vallejo ferry, Rt. 200 bus, local Vallejo buses and BARTLink 80 service to and from El Cerrito Del Norte BART; \$24.00 for adults, Reduced half fare price for \$13.00 senior (65+), youth (6-12) and disabled. Age 5 and under: free. Call 877-64-FERRY or visit www.baylinkferry.com.

To **pre-arrange transportation to and from Vallejo Ferry terminal** or bus terminal to Festival: Call 707-557-9816.

Taxi Service: Ferry or bus passengers wishing taxi service the 2-mile distance from the Vallejo Ferry or bus terminal to the Festival may call ahead either 707-643-3333 or 707-642-4421 upon arrival.

Auto Access to Mare Island

From I-80 east or westbound

Exit Tennessee St., continue west to the entrance to Mare Island. Follow Festival signs.

From Napa and Sonoma

Travel south on Highway 29 to Tennessee St., turn right and follow directions above.

From Contra Costa County

Cross the Benicia-Martinez Bridge on I-680. Take I-780 west toward Benicia and Vallejo. Continue on I-780 for approximately 7 miles. Exit at I-80 east. Continue on I-80 toward Sacramento. Exit on Tennessee St. and follow directions above.

From Marin and Sonoma

Travel east on Highway 37 to the Mare Island exit just before the Napa River Bridge. Turn right at the north entrance to Mare Island; continue to Festival.

Lodging

Vallejo

Best Western Inn: 707-554-9655;
877-554-9655

Comfort Inn: 707-648-1400

America's Best Value Inn:
707-554-8000

Courtyard by Marriot Vallejo/
Napa Valley: 707-644-1200;
800-321-2211

Fairgrounds Dr. Motel 6:
707-642-7781; 800-466-8356

Marineworld Pkwy Motel 6:
707-643-7611; 800-466-8356

Quality Inn: 707-643-1061;
800-424-6423

Ramada Inn: 707-643-2700;
800-272-6232

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