

## news briefs

### PROGRAM & EVENTS AUDUBON EVERGLADES

#### PROGRAM:

Monthly MEETING and LECTURE: "Shorebirds and Seabirds of Southeast Florida," by Ricardo Zambrano, Regional Biologist, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

Tuesday, March 6, 7:00 p.m. meeting & lecture.



*Ricardo Zambrano Rescuing a Pelican*

Come hear Ricardo Zambrano discuss what species of shorebirds and seabirds nest and winter in southeast Florida and where they occur. He will cover the threats these species face, their status and population trends, and how the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is protecting them and learning more about them. He will also talk about the Florida Shorebird Alliance, which is

a statewide program composed of multiple organizations and agencies that are partnering together to protect and monitor these species.

Zambrano is a popular speaker, and members and attendees will remember his exciting overview of "Lake Worth Lagoon and Oyster Catchers" presented to Audubon Everglades several years ago. Don't miss his new program!

#### ABOUT RICARDO ZAMBRANO:

Ricardo Zambrano has a Bachelor's Degree in Ecology, Behavior, and Evolution from the University of California, San Diego and a Master of Science Degree in Biology from Florida Atlantic University. Zambrano has over 27 years of experience as a wildlife biologist. He has radio-tracked coyotes in Yellowstone National Park's backcountry, spent three years in Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula researching and conserving endangered sea turtles, and is currently employed by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission as a Regional Biologist. He specializes in shorebirds, seabirds, wading birds and burrowing owls and is responsible for the management, conservation, recovery, research and monitoring of endangered, threatened and declining species of wildlife in south Florida. Ricardo is a former board member of the Loggerhead Marinelife Center of Juno Beach, a former Council member of the Waterbird Society, and currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Loxahatchee Group of the Sierra Club.

Meeting and program are free and open to the public. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for light refreshments in rooms 101 and 102 at FAU Pine Jog

Environmental Education Center, 6301 Summit Blvd (near Jog Road) in West Palm Beach. We look forward to seeing you there! Also at the meeting, our expert, Clive Pinnock, will speak about the March Bird of the Month, Least Bittern.

#### EVENTS

If you have any questions on the Bird Walks, email: [FieldTrips@AudubonEverglades.org](mailto:FieldTrips@AudubonEverglades.org) or call 508-296-0238

#### MARCH 2018 GUIDED FIELD TRIPS:

**Mar 03, Sat 7:30AM-12PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk STA-1E, Easy:** mainly from auto. Sitting /Driving: no walking required. Advance registration required; see website calendar for details. Coordinated by Rick Schofield.

**Mar 04, Sun 8AM-10AM Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Tall Cypress, Easy:** Boardwalk or paved level surface. Short: less than 1 mile. Leader: Bruce Pickholtz

**Mar 06, Tue 9:30AM-11:30AM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Lion Country Safari, New and/or unique trip. Easy:** birding mainly from auto. Advance registration required; see website calendar for details. Audubon Everglades member priority - Join Today. Leader: Clive Pinnock

**Mar 07, Wed 4PM-6:30PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Wellington Preserve (Birding by Bike Sunset Ride) Moderately difficult:** Improved trail; dirt and uneven surfaces, bike riding. Long: more than 1.5 miles. Family-friendly. Leader: Scott Zucker

**Mar 10, Sat 8AM-10AM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Winding Waters, Moderately difficult:** Improved trail; dirt and uneven surfaces. Long: more than 1.5 miles. Leader: Chuck Weber

**Mar 11, Sun 3:30PM-7PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Flamingo Quest (STA-2), Easy:** mainly from auto. Sitting /Driving: no walking required. Advance registration required; see website calendar for details. Coordinated by Susan McKemy.

**Mar 14, Wed 6:30AM-11:30AM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Loxahatchee NWR (Fly-out),** There is an associated cost; see website calendar for details. Moderate: Improved trail; dirt and uneven surfaces. Long: more than 1.5 miles. Family-friendly. Leader: Rick Schofield

**Mar 17, Sat 8AM-10AM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Jupiter Ridge, Moderately difficult:**

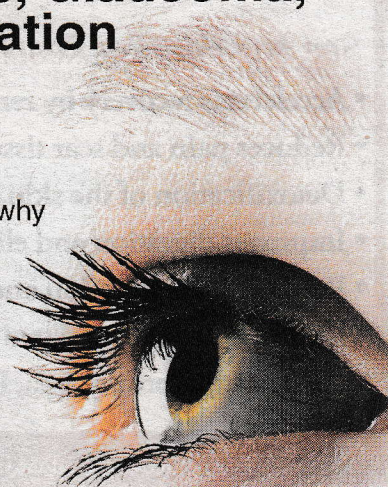
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1-1.5 miles. Leaders: Melanie & Steve Garcia

**Mar 18, Sun 5PM-7PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Wakodahatchee**, Easy: Boardwalk or paved level surface. Short: less than 1 mile. Family friendly and handicapped accessible. Leader: Valleri Brauer

**Mar 22, Thu 10AM-1:30PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Jonathan Dickinson State Park** (Wildflowers & Scrub-Jays), New and/or unique trip. Moderately difficult: Improved trail; dirt and uneven surfaces. Long: more than 1.5 miles. Advance registration required and there is an associated cost; see website for details. Family-friendly Leaders: Lori & Tony Pasko

**Mar 23, Fri 6PM-8PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Wakodahatchee** (Fly-in), Easy: Boardwalk or paved level surface. Short: less than 1 mile. Family friendly and handicapped accessible. Leader: Chris Golia

**Mar 24, Sat 3:30PM-7PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Flamingo Quest** (STA-2), Easy: mainly from auto. Sitting /Driving: no walking required. Advance registration required; see website calendar for details. Coordinated by Susan McKemy.

**Mar 24, Sat 4PM-7PM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Grassy Waters** (Behind the scenes), Moderately difficult: Improved trail; dirt and uneven surfaces. Long: more than 1.5 miles. There is an associated cost and advance registration required; see website calendar for details. Leaders: Walt Hakenjos/Paul Thomas

**Mar 25, Sun 7:30AM-10:30AM, Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Hungryland Slough**, New and/or unique trip. Challenging: Improved or unimproved trail; uneven, rocky, and/or wet surfaces. Long: more than 1.5 miles. Leader: Bart Scott

Always check the web site [www.AudubonEverglades.org](http://www.AudubonEverglades.org) calendar for details, registration links and last-minute changes. Trips, unless otherwise specified, are "Just Show Up."

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