

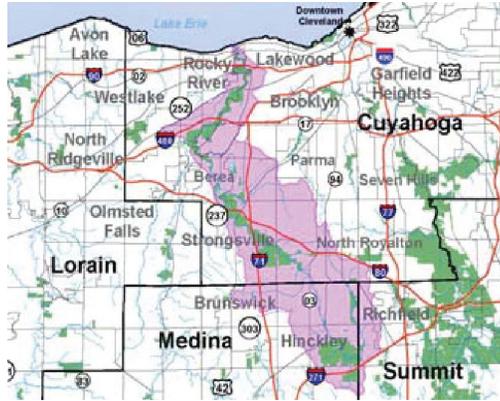
CHAPTER SUPPORTER Application

Chapter Supporters are members whose entire dues stays with Western Cuyahoga Audubon to support our programs, field trips and conservation activities. Membership gives you our newsletter "The Feathered Flyer", a name tag, and a window cling. Membership runs Sept 1 to Aug 31.

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| Student / Limited Income | \$15.00 |
| Individual | \$35.00 |
| Non-profit / Family | \$50.00 |
| Business | \$140.00 |
| Sustaining | \$250.00 |
| Benefactor | \$500.00 |

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| To receive print newsletters mailed USPS, add \$20.00. | |
| CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP AMOUNT: | \$ |

Make checks payable to **Western Cuyahoga Audubon**. Mail to: **Nancy Howell, Treasurer**, 19340 Fowles Rd, Middleburg Hts, OH 44130. *Information is for WCAS use only and not shared with third parties.*

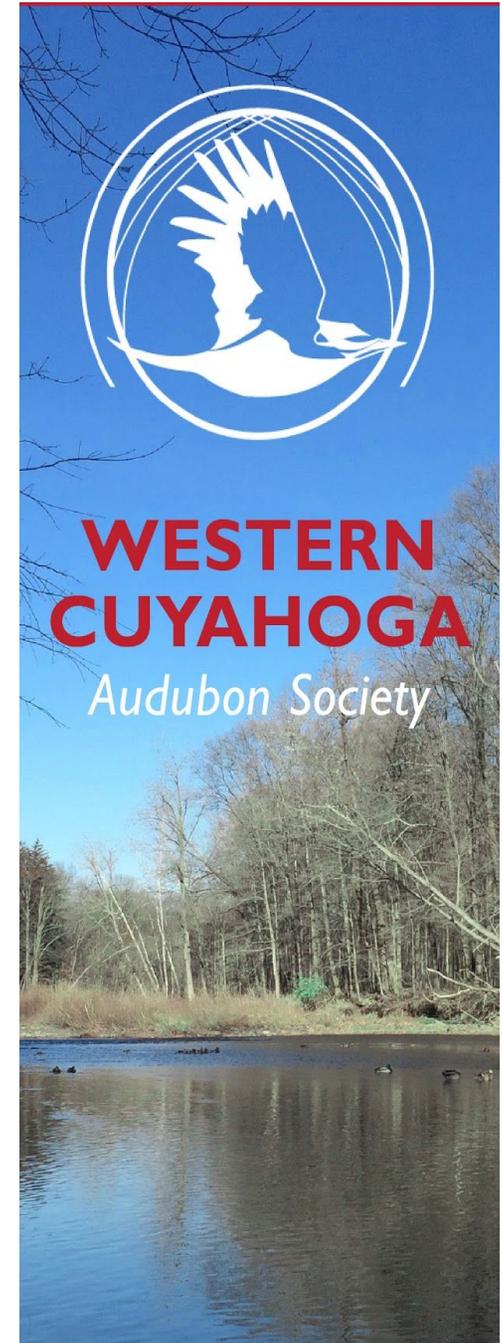


This map shows the area of interest of the Western Cuyahoga Audubon. We operate in the west side of Cleveland, approximately from the Cuyahoga River west to Avon Lake and south to Hinckley, Ohio. **The area shaded in lavender is the Rocky River Important Bird Area (IBA).**

There are five other Audubon chapters in Northeast Ohio, including Blackbrook Audubon Society, Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland, Akron Audubon Society, Canton Audubon Society, and Black River Audubon Society.



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Western Cuyahoga Audubon is a chapter of the National Audubon Society.

We are a conservation and birding organization and *our mission* is to educate the public about conservation of the natural world through member involvement in chapter activities and community outreach.

Become a valued member of Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society. You'll receive quarterly Feathered Flyer Newsletters, weekly updates, a beautiful window cling for home or car, and a personalized name tag for easy introduction at events.

Visit our website for news, stories, detailed announcements, and Store items. Explore Chapter archives, field reports, media, and download articles. Connect with us on social media! Get started at www.wcaudubon.org

Activities

- > **Speaker Programs** are hosted at the Rocky River Nature Center the first Tuesday of the month Sept through May. Topics include natural science research, discovery, and critical environmental issues. Programs are free and open to the public.
- > **Second Saturday Bird Walks** are led by expert naturalists and explore Rocky River Reservation trails. Resident and migrant bird reports are published monthly. Walks are open to the public and birders of all skill levels are welcome.
- > Quarterly **Hotspot Birding** gets you where the birds are using eBird analysis and mobile technologies. Hotspot birding canvases 140 birding hotspots in northern Ohio!
- > Monthly **Field Trips** to birding locations in northeast Ohio are led by knowledgeable leaders to see seasonal migrants, resident populations, and conserved natural areas.
- > **The Christmas Bird Count** tallies bird species in the Lakewood Count Circle. Data is submitted to National Audubon, making it one of the longest running citizen science projects.
- > WCAS exhibits at the **Wild and Scenic Film Festival** and is a Community Partner at **Cleveland International Film Festivals**.
- > **Shade-Grown Coffee, Birds & Beans®**, **Smithsonian Bird Friendly®**, **USDA Organic, Fair-Trade Certified Coffee** online and at monthly member meetings.

Conservation projects

- > We support **public policy issues**, such as the need to restore renewable energy standards in Ohio and advocate for innovative approaches to make buildings safer for birds through promotion of **Lights Out Cleveland**.
- > We conduct **discussions on climate change** and **alternative sources of energy**, such as solar power and the proper siting of wind turbines to raise public awareness about the need to protect our planet.
- > Believing native plants are what birds need to flourish, WCAS hosts a **Bird Friendly Plant Sale** for spring planting needs. Plant selections include flowering perennials, tree saplings, and popular annual seeds. Proceeds pay for plant costs and make a donation to WCAS to support conservation activities.
- > We host outreach events on **watershed management, invasive species, night light pollution**, and the effect of **climate change** on birds and habitat.
- > Western Cuyahoga Audubon began conducting surveys in 2006 to collect data on bird populations in the **Rocky River Important Bird Area**, a National Audubon Society designated natural area critical to bird habitat. Chapter bird surveys and public advocacy efforts assist Cleveland Metropark efforts to purchase and conserve properties between North Royalton and Hinckley, Ohio to create contiguous parkland around Greater Cleveland.