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40 Friends of Wild Arts

Support the Festival and support the birds! Become a sponsor of Audubon Society of Portland's Wild Arts Festival.

The Festival is a key fundraiser for the Audubon Society of Portland and over its 30-year history had become the northwest's premier event featuring nature-themed art and books. All proceeds support the conservation, wildlife rehabilitation and education programs of Portland Audubon. Over 70 artists and 40 authors participate in this two-day event and it is made possible only through the efforts of over 200 volunteers. As a *Friend of Wild Arts*, you will receive a one year

for
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membership, recognition on our website and at the Festival, in our newsletter and 6 tickets to the Festival. For more information about the Festival and Portland Audubon visit www.wildartsfestival.org.



November 19th and 20th, 2011

About the Wild Arts Festival

The Wild Arts Festival is an Art Show and Book Fair that celebrates nature in the work of regionally and nationally known artists and writers. Now in its 31st year in Portland, the Festival has become the northwest's premier show and sale of nature-related art and books. The participating artists and craftspeople represent a wide variety of media, and the authors present are a mix of novelists, photographers, poets and writers of non-fiction.

Scheduled for November 19th and 20th in the Montgomery Park Atrium and Ballroom, the Wild Arts Festival will feature over 70 artists and 40

authors in a festive atmosphere. Hours will be 10am–6pm on Saturday and 11am–5pm on Sunday with an anticipated attendance of over 4,500 people. In addition to having the opportunity to interact with and purchase the work of over 100 artists and authors, visitors will be able to bid on items at a silent auction. Information about the programs and work of Portland Audubon, appearances by the Audubon educational birds of prey, a café and other surprises round out the Wild Arts Festival experience.

About the Audubon Society of Portland

Founded in 1902 by local conservationists, Portland Audubon is one of the oldest conservation organizations in the nation. For over 100 years, Portland Audubon has been a leader in wildlife habitat protection and natural history education. The Society's mission is to promote the enjoyment, understanding, and protection of native birds and other wildlife, and their habitats.

Portland Audubon has a membership of 12,000 and enjoys 60,000 visitors and program participants yearly. Considered the authority on native birds and wildlife conservation, Audubon Society of Portland is highly visible in the media and the greater metropolitan community.

The Wild Arts Festival is one of the major fundraising activities of Portland Audubon and is possible because of the efforts of over 200 volunteers. The proceeds of the Wild Arts Festival benefit the programs of the Audubon Society of Portland.

Your sponsorship will help to produce Oregon's premier community event linking art and nature, at the same time assisting Portland Audubon to continue and expand its work in the following areas:

- ✳ Providing hands-on experiences of nature each year to thousands of young children, many of whom have never had a significant encounter with the natural world.
- ✳ Caring for over 3000 injured and orphaned birds and other native wildlife annually with the goal of releasing as many as possible back into their natural environment.
- ✳ Protecting wildlife habitat in the backyard and beyond.
- ✳ Protecting nature in Oregon's cities to allow future generations of urban dwellers to continue to be able to enjoy wildlife in their back yards.
- ✳ Identifying and protecting Important Bird Areas so resident and migrant birds will be able to rely on these critical sites and Oregon will remain one of the best places in North America to view wild birds.

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