



## OHIO ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

### HOW TO APPLY:

The Ohio Ornithological Society is proud to provide scholarships to help young people who are interested in birds to attend summer camps, workshops, training programs, conventions and other bird-related activities. The funds for our scholarships come primarily from donations from OOS members.

OOS awards scholarships that are a portion (up to 50%) of the cost of the registration fee of an event. In exceptional circumstances, OOS may award more if we see a case with special need. However, the best way to increase your chances of winning an OOS scholarship is to show your dedication to birds and creativity in thinking up ways that you can raise the matching half of your scholarship. [www.Ohiobirds.org](http://www.Ohiobirds.org)

### REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:



Individual must be an Ohio birder between the ages of 8-17.



A letter of recommendation from a teacher or an adult birding mentor or advisor that describes what the applicant knows about their interest and commitment to birds and birding.



A short essay written by the applicant telling us about the importance of birds in your life. Do you try to teach others about birds? Do you draw or photograph the birds you see? Do you do any survey or volunteer work? What do you love most about birding? Be sure to include information about why you want to attend your chosen event in your essay.



The recipient of an award from the OOS Young Birders Scholarship Fund shall prepare an article or a multi-media presentation suitable for sharing on the OOS website and/or social media describing their experience at the event he/she attended. This will be for publication by the OOS. This description should be submitted within two months following the activity.



Mail your signed, completed application and letter of recommendations to: The Ohio Ornithological Society, Ohio's Birding Network, P. O. Box 2432, Westerville, OH 42086.

**YOUR INFORMATION**

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <b>Name</b>                  |  |
| <b>Street Address</b>        |  |
| <b>City, State &amp; Zip</b> |  |
| <b>Primary Phone</b>         |  |
| <b>Email</b>                 |  |
| <b>Date of Birth</b>         |  |
| <b>Gender</b>                | <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

**GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

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| <b>Name of Parent or Legal Guardian</b>         |  |
| <b>Street Address (if different from above)</b> |  |
| <b>City, State &amp; Zip</b>                    |  |
| <b>Primary Phone</b>                            |  |
| <b>Email</b>                                    |  |

**ABOUT THE EVENT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR**

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| <b>Name of Event</b>        |  |
| <b>Name of Organization</b> |  |
| <b>Date of Event</b>        |  |
| <b>Street Address</b>       |  |
| <b>Location of Event</b>    |  |
| <b>Contact Name</b>         |  |
| <b>Contact Phone</b>        |  |
| <b>Attendance Fee</b>       |  |

**YOUR BUDGET FOR THE EVENT**

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| <b>Travel</b>           |  |
| <b>Room &amp; Board</b> |  |
| <b>Other Cost</b>       |  |
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| <b>Total Cost</b>       |  |

**YOUR FUNDING FOR THE EVENT**

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| <b>Parents/Relatives</b> |  |
| <b>Local Bird Clubs</b>  |  |
| <b>Other Sources</b>     |  |
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| <b>Total Cost</b>        |  |

**AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM OOS (Up to 50% of Registration Fee)**

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| <b>Amount</b> |  |
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**LIST ONE OR TWO OF YOUR MOST NOTABLE/INTERESTING BIRDING EXPERIENCES:**

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**WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO DO AS A CAREER IN THE FUTURE?**

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**YOUR SIGNATURE**

**DATE**

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**LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE**

**DATE**

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