TEACHER/NATURALISTS SUMMER WORKSHOPS IN
ECOLOGY AND ORNITHOLOGY
*** SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE! ***
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ECOLOGY AND ORNITHOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS
The Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS) is accepting applications from Maryland teachers, youth leaders, park rangers, and environmental and nature center staff for scholarships to attend a week long summer ecology and ornithology workshop at the Audubon Hog Island camp in Maine. Each award covers tuition, room, and board for an intensive multi-day course of field study and instruction in ornithology, ecology, conservation, or natural history.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION
The value of each scholarship is approximately $1445. MOS will award multiple scholarships each year. Travel expenses are the responsibility of the recipient. For more information and updates, check the Audubon Hog Island website: https://hogisland.audubon.org/programs/ or contact the Scholarship Chair (below). Workshop selections and dates are listed on the flyer (https://mdbirds.org/scholarship-flyer/) and Scholarship Choices (https://mdbirds.org/scholarship-choices/).

APPLICATION PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS
1. Scholarship recipients must work with young people in Maryland. The program is open to teachers, camp counselors, park rangers, environmental education coordinators, nature center staff, and community volunteers.
2. There is no application form. Simply provide a written statement (maximum of two pages) in the form of a letter to the MOS Scholarship chair describing how the workshop experience will be used to develop in young people an appreciation of wildlife and a sense of responsibility for the care and quality of our natural resources and environment. In your letter please indicate which workshop you wish to attend; we will try to accommodate your choice. (Refer to https://mdbirds.org/scholarship-choices/).
3. Applicants must submit a current resume (preferably no more than two pages).
4. Applicants need not be members of MOS but must be endorsed by a member or chapter (see next item).
5. Two letters of recommendation from individuals who know of the candidate’s interests, activities, abilities, and potential are required. One of the letters should be from a supervisor or someone in a similar position relative to the applicant. One letter must be from either a member of MOS or a chapter of MOS. Contact your local chapter (see MOS website for chapters – mdbirds.org) or the scholarship chair (below) for a contact in your local area. That person will contact the applicant to discuss their interests and background and then write a recommendation. It is very helpful if the letters of recommendation cite specific, relevant activities, accomplishments, or projects in which the applicant was involved, in addition to personal qualifications.
6. Applicants must be 21 years or older.
7. Applications from previous recipients will not be considered unless five years have passed since the individual last attended a workshop. The new application must be for a different workshop.
8. All application documents must be submitted by December 1, 2021 by email. Letters of recommendation must be sent by the author directly to the scholarship committee chair, via email.
9. Candidate ranking occurs in mid-December and recipients are notified shortly afterward.

Please submit applications and questions to Scholarship Committee Chair: scholarship@mdbirds.org

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