



MAY & OCTOBER

WORLD MIGRATORY BIRDS DAY

"No bird soars too high, if he soars with his own wings."
- William Blake -



Why do We Mark This Day?



Migratory birds are not only the most interesting birds to watch but they are also identified as elemental organisms that maintain healthy ecosystems. To recognize the indispensable role of migratory birds, the World Migratory Bird Day was initiated in 2006.

Currently, World Migratory Birds Day is celebrated twice a year, on the 2nd Saturday of May and on the 2nd Saturday of October. This annual awareness-raising celebration emphasizes the ecological importance of migratory birds, to improve responsiveness towards their survival, and to call for their global conservation through international cooperation and understanding.



Questions for Discussion



<Singing Birds>

<Migratory Birds at Skagit Valley>



- ✓ How did you feel while listening to the sound of the birds?
- ✓ What are the pictures that came into your mind while doing the activity?
- ✓ Open your eyes and listen, what do you think these birds are trying to tell you?
- ✓ Do you have any actual experience with birds? Kindly share your story.



Meet Today's Global Citizens



Sara Wolman

She is a graphic artist, branding expert, and naturalist living in Alaska. She works as the visual information specialist for the Arctic Wildlife Refuge and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). She combines her talent and passion in art to advocate on wildlife conservation. She is active in creating public service advertisements for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



Dr. Amy Johnson

She is a Smithsonian Conservation Biologist who promotes the conservation of native biodiversity and sustainable land-use through research, education, and community engagement. One of her research studied the impacts of conservation and land management on breeding and over-wintering bird communities in Virginia.

