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## AERIAL VIEW

### After a long winter, Sunday bird walks begin

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From now until June, the birding doesn't get much better anywhere than in Northeast Ohio.

And never have the opportunities been better to see the birds in inviting habitats, in the company of talented leaders and with similarly enlightened people bearing binoculars, spotting scopes and field guides.

Beginning Sunday, and continuing each weekend through May 20, bird walks will be held at more than 20 locations in Cuyahoga, Portage, Lorain, Lake, Geauga, Summit and Medina counties. They meet at 7:30 a.m. and continue until the birds or the birders have had enough enjoyment for the day.

This is the 74th year for the Sunday walks, sponsored by the Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes and the parks districts in Cleveland, Lake and Geauga counties.

Many other bird walks will be held throughout the spring on different days and times, and at a variety of other locations. Those walks will be listed each week in Aerial View.

Listed here are the locations for the Sunday Bird Walks Series. You can cut this out and save it, call 216-635-3200, or go to [clevelandmetroparks.com](http://clevelandmetroparks.com) for information.

Cleveland Metroparks locations:

Huntington Beach Reservation, beach parking lot, Lake Road, Bay Village.

Rocky River Reservation, Nature Center parking lot, 24000 Valley Parkway, North Olmsted.

Big Creek Reservation, Lake Isaac, Big Creek Parkway, Middleburg Heights.

Brecksville Reservation, Station Road Bridge trailhead, Riverview Road off of Ohio 82 park entrance.

Hinckley Reservation, bridge on Medina Route 44 at south end of Hinckley Lake.

Bedford Reservation, Hemlock Creek picnic area, off Button Road, Bedford.

South Chagrin Reservation, Jackson Field parking lot, Chagrin River Road north of Miles, Moreland Hills. Naturalist Wendy Weirich will lead. Call 440-247-7075 for information.

North Chagrin Reservation, Sunset Pond at Sanctuary Marsh, Mayfield.

Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation, parking lot off East 49th Street south of Grant Street, Cuyahoga Heights.

Garfield Park Reservation, nature center, 11350 Broadway, Garfield Heights.

Audubon Society of Greater Cleveland:

Aurora Sanctuary, parking lot east of Page Road on Pioneer Trail, Aurora.

Blanche Novak Sanctuary, parking lot 0.8 miles north of Ohio 82 on Town Line Road, Aurora.

Holden Arboretum:

Lantern Court, 9500 Sperry Road, Kirtland. Free and no need to register. Call 440-946-4400 for information.

Shaker Lakes:

Nature Center, 2600 South Park Blvd., Shaker Heights.

Mentor Marsh:

Explore Headlands Beach State Park; meet at Zimmerman Trail parking lot on Headlands Road at east end of the marsh, Mentor. Anders Fjeldstad and Jim McConnor lead.

Lake Metroparks:

Penitentiary Glen, parking lot on Kirtland-Chardon Road, Kirtland.

Geauga Park District:

Call 440-286-9504 for locations.

Gates Mills:

Call Susan Curtis, 440-338- 4923, for information.

Portage County:

James H. Barrow Field Station, Wheeler Road, Hiram. Call Eric Faber, 330-527-3076, for information.

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