

TAKING FLIGHT'S

ROCKIN' ROBIN

BENEFIT CONCERT



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MENUNKATUCK AUDUBON SOCIETY**



TAKING FLIGHT TOGETHER

Menunkatuck Audubon Society is a chapter of National Audubon Society that serves 12 Connecticut towns, including New Haven! It is committed to work locally to preserve our natural ecosystems for the benefit of people and the earth's biodiversity. The organization offers monthly photo lectures, monitors nest boxes, removes non-native invasive plants, live streams bird cameras, and participates in annual nationwide bird counts. Today's proceeds will help support their goals.

Thank you for donating.



Founded in 2019 by Karinne Tennenbaum, Taking Flight is an educational initiative to inspire the next generation of climate leaders by fostering an environmental ethic among youth through the magic of birding. Our aim is to acknowledge, empower, and bridge the unique ornithological perspectives of students, teachers, scientists, advocates, photographers, artists, musicians, and more. This is a grassroots mission to revolutionize the future one young birder at a time!



The Yale Birding Student Association (YBSA) is an educational organization dedicated to fostering a campus-wide community for students interested in birding, ornithology, and avian conservation at the local, state, national, and international level. Over 200 members strong, YBSA leads weekly birding trips around the New Haven area.

Follow them on Instagram @yalebirding

PROGRAM

Opening & Closing Remarks by
Karinne Tennenbaum & Erica Yu

YALE GOSPEL CHOIR

Why We Sing..... Kirk Franklin

CADENCE OF YALE

Icarus Bastille

Don't Know Why..... Norah Jones

MARIACHI LUX VERITAS DE YALE

Cucurrucucú Paloma Tomás Méndez

Adiós Amor Christian Nodal

La Bikina Luis Miguel

YALE RUSSIAN CHORUS

Hej Sokół Tomasz Padura

Kalinka Ivan Larionov

INTERMISSION

Yale Klezmer Band

Di Goldene Pave Chava Alberstein

Baby Bird Nigun Aly Halpert

Ale Brider Morris Winchevsky

LA ORQUESTA TERTULIA

Como Un Ave Grupo Celeste

La Tortura Shakira

María la Curandera Liliana Rodriguez

SPIZZWINKS

Blue Skies Irving Berlin

Somewhere Out There..... Linda Ronstadt &
James Ingram

THE FLOCK



Amir McFerren '28
Deborah Amoh '28
Demilade Omolade '26
Getrude Jeruto '26
Kehinde Sowemimo '29
Naomi Okunrobo '26
Olivia Jacque '28
Rebekah Boitey '28
Sadie-Ann Lorjuste '28
Seline Mesfin '27
Ting Key '27



Adrian Banda '28
Aidan Garcia '26
Angel Saucedo '28
Anthony Vazquez '27
Jas Hollis '27
Jess Aldana '28
Justin Gonzalez '26
Kamile Makselyte '27
Loriani Mata-Madrigal '29
Matthew Verich '26
Matthew Zoerb '26
Yasmin Rodriguez Rascon '29



Asher Lytton '28
Isa Kim-Sherman '27
Maya Viswanathan '28
Mia Gribbon '29
Karinne Tennenbaum '26



Abril Tello Cornejo '27
Brennan Ujda '28
Clark Wu '27
Clementine Kline '29
Eshaan Giri '27
Ezra Zbar '28
Frank Petty '29
Frogby Sachs '29
Gbemiga Salu '27
Harry Pambianchi '29
Jiayang Jin '27
John Raskopf '27
Jonny Duncan '29
Josh Sugino '29
Max Ondik '28
Nate Stein '28
William Wei '28



Betsy Nardini '29
Celeste Giannoulas '28
Darren Kao '28
Diana Omar '27
Ethan Hao '28
Greer Kennedy '28
Jack Denechaud '28
Karen Gao '27
Ryan Chao '28
Sebastian Martinez '29



Abraham Payne '26
Amelia Stefanovics '27
Andrew Stefanovics
Brian Barger
Daniel Fried '26
Dennis Jin '28
Elena Ungurianu '26
Jonas Loesel '27
Kenny Wang '29
Logan Ye '29
Mason Mifflin '29
NeNe McDonald '29



Andrew Rodriguez '28
Astrid Harrington '29
Diego Faria '26
Emiliano Colin-Diaz '27
Frederick Rivas-Giorgi '26
Gian Lombeyda '28
Juliette Garcia '26
Lucia Laumbach '27
Nico Ramos '26

SOAR WITH US!

Taking Flight is always looking for new members. Interested in joining us? Please email Karinne Tennenbaum (karinne.tennenbaum@yale.edu) or Erica Yu (erica.yu@yale.edu)!

**KARINNE
TENNENBAUM**



**Founder &
Executive
Director**



ERICA YU



**Associate
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TAKING FLIGHT PROJECTS

New Haven, Connecticut, USA

UPCOMING

- Perch N' Pour: Distribution of bird-themed trivia coasters at 14 campus butteries (late-night cafes) to get students buzzing about avian conservation—runs **November 10th-December 1st!**)
- The Bower: Storytelling exhibit featuring a human-sized bird bower and community-donated romantic symbols to reflect on the meaning of attraction in both the avian world and society (early December)
- DIY Birdfeeder Workshop: Carpentry-focused workshop on building wooden bird feeders (early Spring 2026)
- Young Birders United: Creating an online, open-access database of young birder chapters nationwide and connecting state representatives for an annual conference (late Spring 2026)

PAST

- Birdability Week 2025 at Yale: Coordinated an American Sign Language bird walk and conducted the first accessibility survey in New Haven
- Cranes of Yale: Month-long interdisciplinary program bridging Japanese culture and crane conservation, culminating in a campus-wide scavenger hunt for 1,330 origami cranes
- Taking Flight in Print: Week-long photography exhibition centered on work by student birders
- Birding 101 Workshops: Biannual one-hour classes on birding basics taught to 120+ middle and high school students through Yale Splash and Sprout

Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA

PAST

- Bins 4 Birders: Received \$2,000 Sustaining Ann Arbor Together Grant to purchase seven pairs of binoculars and a spotting scope for community members to promote birding among the general public and lower socioeconomic barriers to birding
- Michigan Young Birders Network: Co-founded and co-led a network of young birders across the state of Michigan
- Taking Flight Podcast: Created a novice birding podcast of 12 episodes with 800+ listens across 25 countries and 6 continents
- Ornithological Society of Pioneer: Founded the first student-run, districtwide high school birding club in Ann Arbor to promote young birding and raise awareness of avian conservation efforts

Collaborators: International Crane Foundation, Cornell Lab of Ornithology, Wild Birds Unlimited, Young Climate Prize, Yale Birding Student Association, Japanese American Students Union, Yale Peabody Museum, Washtenaw Bird and Nature Alliance, Michigan Audubon, Yale Splash and Sprout, Birdability, Washtenaw Elementary Science Olympiad, Claire's Corner Copia, Yale Center for Engineering, Innovation and Design



