

2012 John Scharff Migratory Bird Festival Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, April 12

9:00 am to 7:00 pm **Festival Registration** (*Harney County Chamber of Commerce, 484 N Broadway, Burns*). **Remember registration closes at 7:00 so Chamber Staff can enjoy the Festival Kick Off Celebration!**

10:00 to 5:00 **Youth Art Contest Entries** – Displayed in downtown Burns businesses

1:00 to 5:00 Behind the Gates Refuge Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

6:00 pm **Festival Kick Off Celebration** A fascinating presentation about Plume Hunting by novelist Renee Thompson – (*Harney County Community Center 484 N Broadway, Burns*) and “Harney County Birding” slideshow.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

5:00 am to 6:00 pm **Festival Registration** (*Burns High School, 1100 Oregon Ave.*)

5:30 to 9:30 Sage Grouse Strutting Early Bird Tour *

6:00 to 6:00 Extreme Birding Tour *

6:00 to 1:00 Birds of Prey Tour *

7:00 to 12:00 Waterfowl of Malheur Lake **[NEW TOUR]** *

8:00 to 12:00 Banded White Geese Tour *

8:00 to 12:00 Harney Basin Rock Art Tour *

8:00 to 4:00 If Llamas Could Fly Tour - Double-O *

8:00 to 4:00 Birding British Style Tour *

10:00 to 3:00 Burrowing Owl Habitat Workshop **[NEW WORKSHOP]**

10:00 to 5:00 **Youth Art Contest Entries** – Displayed in downtown Burns businesses

12:00 to 5:00 Paradise Birding – Silvie's River Floodplain Tour *

12:00 to 5:00 Paradise Birding - Blue Mountains Woodpecker Tour *

1:00 to 3:00 Sandhill Crane Discovery Tour *

1:00 to 4:00 Birding Hot Spots **[NEW TOUR]** *

1:00 to 4:00 **E-Tour of Harney County History & Archaeology** – interactive presentation at Burns High School Cafeteria

1:00 to 5:00 Behind the Gates Refuge Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

5:00 to 9:00 pm **Festival Art Show and Sale** – at Burns High School Gym

5:00 to 9:00 pm **Children's Art Contest Winners** displayed at the Art Show

7:00 pm **Friday Night Presentation** – at Burns High School (Cafetorium)
“*Truth or Consequences...facts revealed about raptors*” with Trish Nixon, Raptor Specialist with the Peregrine Fund's World Center for Birds of Prey.

*** Pre-Registration required**

Schedule of Events (continued)

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

5:30 am to 5:00 pm **Festival Registration** (*Burns High School, 1100 Oregon Ave.*)

6:00 to 3:00 Extreme Birding *

6:30 to 4:00 Paradise Birding – Boca Lake Hiking **[NEW TOUR]** *

7:00 to 4:00 Steens Mountain/Alvord Desert Tour *

7:00 to 12:00 Paradise Birding – Silvies River Floodplain Tour *

7:00 to 12:00 Paradise Birding - Blue Mountains Woodpecker Tour *

7:00 to 12:00 Paradise Birding – Desert Birds of the Harney Basin Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

7:30 to 2:30 Harney County Cattlewomen's Working Ranch *

8:00 to 10:00 Sandhill Crane Discovery Tour *

8:00 to 11:00 Sandhill Crane Discovery Tour *

8:00 to 12:00 Digital Photography for Beginners Tour *

8:00 to 4:00 If Llamas Could Fly Tour - Double-O *

8:00 to 4:00 Birding British Style Tour *

9:00 to 12:00 Birding the Hot Spots **[NEW TOUR]**

9:00 to 5:00 **Festival Art Show and Sale** – at Burns High School Gym

9:00 to 5:00 **Youth Art Contest Winners** displayed in the Art Show

10:00 to 5:00 **Youth Art Contest Entries** – Displayed in downtown Burns businesses

12:00 to 3:00 **Harney Basin Heritage and Kids Fun Fair** – at Burns High School

12:00 **Building Bird Houses** – at Burns High School (Woodshop)

12:30 to 5:00 Paradise Birding – Silvies River Floodplain Tour *

12:30 to 5:00 Paradise Birding - Blue Mountains Woodpecker Tour *

12:30 to 5:00 Paradise Birding – Desert Birds of the Harney Basin Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

1:00 to 5:00 Behind the Gates Refuge Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

5:30 to 9:00 pm **BANQUET AND KEYNOTE SPEAKER** – at Fair Grounds Memorial Building

5:30 Social Hour

6:00 - 7:00 Dinner and Raffles

7:00 Jen Hajj of HawkWatch International

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

5:30 am to 12:00 pm **Festival Registration** (*Burns High School, 1100 Oregon Ave.*)

6:00 to 1:00 Birds of Prey Tour *

6:30 to 4:00 Paradise Birding – Boca Lake Hiking **[NEW TOUR]** *

7:00 to 12:00 Paradise Birding – Silvies River Floodplain Tour *

7:00 to 12:00 Paradise Birding - Blue Mountains Woodpecker Tour *

7:00 to 12:00 Paradise Birding – Desert Birds of the Harney Basin Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

7:00 to 12:00 Waterfowl of Malheur Lake **[NEW TOUR]** *

8:00 to 10:00 Sandhill Crane Discovery Tour *

8:00 to 11:00 Birding the Hot Spots **[NEW TOUR]** *

8:00 to 2:00 Discover the Double-O Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

8:00 to 4:00 Birding British Style Tour *

9:00 to 12:00 Harney Basin Working Llama Ranch Tour *

1:00 to 5:00 Behind the Gates Refuge Tour **[NEW TOUR]** *

9:00 to 2:00 pm **Festival Art Show and Sale** – at Burns High School Gym

9:00 to 2:00 pm **Children's Art Contest Winners** displayed in the Art Show

2:00 pm **Festival Ends**

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