

"The Natural History of Bats"
Presented by Stephanie Remington

For PV/SB Audubon Society
Tuesday, June 19, 2018, 7:00 PM
Madrona Marsh Nature Center, Torrance

Stephanie Remington's presentation will feature the intriguing **natural history of bats**. It will explore the numerous evolutionary adaptations carved out for survival in their varied habitats; their exceptional agility in negotiating obstacles in the dark using echo location; and their varying ability to adapt to human urban sprawl. The beneficial side of bats will be explored with regard to their importance in pollination and insect control. The talk will also dispel many harmful myths and urban legends that surround bats. Several of the current threats to these wonderful mammals will be examined along with suggestions on how we might help protect them.

Stephanie is bringing a bat detector, and at the conclusion of her talk, we will walk over to the marsh and use it to see if we have any bats on the marsh.



Stephanie Remington has been studying and working with bats for the past 22 years. She received her Bachelor's degree in Zoology from UC Berkeley and her Masters' degree in Biological Sciences from Cal Poly Pomona. Her thesis work was titled *The Diversity and Distribution of Bats in Orange County, California*. She later went on to conduct a 12 year study of bat diversity, distribution, and habitat use on the North Irvine Ranch, when it was managed by the Nature Conservancy, a year-long study of bat roosting habitat in transportation structures along the Santa Ana River, and a variety of other short and long-term studies throughout southern California. She conducts over a dozen summer bat walks for Sea and Sage Audubon every year in Orange County. Please join us for this wonderful presentation on a fascinating subject.

Light refreshments will be served. Everyone welcome! Come and enjoy the program, socialize with friends, and fill out a ticket for the door prize drawing.

Prizes are donated by Wild Birds Unlimited in Torrance, courtesy of Bob Shanman. <http://www.torrance.wbu.com/>

The Madrona Marsh Nature Center is located at 3201 Plaza del Amo, Torrance, CA, 90503: <http://www.friendsofmadronamarsh.com/>

You can find additional information about our programs and activities at our website: <http://pvsb-audubon.org/index.html>

Next Program: "The Wonder of Eggs", presented by Tracy Drake, on July 17, 2018, 7:00 P.M.



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