



# Tampa Audubon Society

## Summer Activities

[www.tampaaudubon.org](http://www.tampaaudubon.org)

Hillsborough Community College Ybor School of Visual and Performing Arts Gallery presents

## Wildlife Photography

Tampa Audubon Society Photo Club

July 7- August 4, 2016

Opening Reception: Thursday, July 7, 4:30-7:30pm

**Tampa Audubon society is a volunteer, non-profit organization established in the 1940s. They are an active chapter that serves the Tampa Bay area. Their mission is to conserve and restore our ecosystems, focusing on birds, wildlife and their habitats, through education, advocacy and community involvement.**



*Ron Huston, "Morning Stretch," Roseate Spoonbill*

Palm Avenue & 15th Street

HCC Gallery hours: M, W, Th, F 10am-4pm; Tues noon-7pm 813.253.7674

[www.hccfl.edu/yborgallery](http://www.hccfl.edu/yborgallery) [www.tampaaudubon.org](http://www.tampaaudubon.org)



## Joint Meeting of Sierra, Tampa Audubon & Suncoast Native Plant Society

July 13

4:30 pm Nature Walk  
5:30 pm Social Time  
6:00 pm Potluck Supper

7:00 pm Program: Dr. Phillip Motta, *Feeding activity of bony fish, sharks & rays*

Where: Nature's Classroom, 13100 Verges Rd. Thonotosassa, FL 33592

How to get there: Verges Road is on the north side of Morris Bridge Road a few miles east of I-75 just past the Circle K convenience store. Look for the Sierra Club signs at the entrance. Follow the dirt road (Verges is unpaved) to the end. Plenty of parking. You can't miss us!

Nature's Classroom is a 365-acre environmental studies program and learning laboratory that is used by students of the Hillsborough County Public Schools. It houses an abundance of natural Florida plants, birds and animals which is why you may choose to come early for a guided Nature Walk. Please arrive at 4:15 pm if you would like to join the 4:30 pm Nature Walk (bug spray, hat and sturdy walking shoes recommended).

Potluck Dinner: At 6 pm a pot luck dinner will begin in the beautiful air conditioned comfort of the TECO Center for Environmental Studies. Plenty of parking can be found in the lot directly in front of the Center. Please bring a dish of your choice to share (appetizer, salad, entrée or dessert); plates, utensils, coffee and cold beverages will be supplied.

**Program:** Dr. Phillip Motta from USF who specializes in the study of the feeding activity of bony fishes, sharks, and rays. Most of his past research has been on tropical reef fishes and sharks, as the evolution of feeding mechanisms in sharks and rays presents a unique opportunity to investigate the function of feeding systems in fishes and other aquatic vertebrates. He is certain to have many interesting observations regarding the threats to marine ecology stemming from human activities both on the water and on land.

Monthly Beginning Birding Walks at Lettuce Lake Park

July 9, August 13 **8 am**

**Meet in the parking lot of the Visitor Center**

# SAVE THE DATE

October 13 - 16, 2016



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**Volunteers needed to help with seminars, expo and registration**

**Volunteers will not pay registration for the day they help!**

Please contact Mary Keith to volunteer for a day or every day:

[keithma1@juno.com](mailto:keithma1@juno.com) or 813-767-5863

**COASTAL CLEANUP San Jose St. Audubon Preserve**

**Just west of West Shore Blvd.**

**Saturday, September 17, 2016**

**8:30 am**

2 spaces remaining on the Birding Trip to Portugal

September 25 - October 5, 2016

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