



Bird Friendly Calgary

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for choices that make Calgary a bird friendly city.

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Unveiling of the winner of the Official Bird of Calgary contest on May 14th, 2022.

Bird Friendly Calgary wishes to announce that the results of the month long contest to nominate the official bird of Calgary are in. A total of 36,616 votes were cast for the five candidate birds:



Black-capped
Chickadee
S. Jordan-
McLachlan



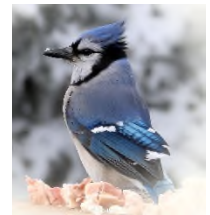
Black-billed
Magpie
J. McFaul



Northern
Flicker, J. Sills



Red-breasted
Nuthatch, J. Sills



Blue Jay
J. Sills

The unveiling of the winner of the official vote will be on Saturday, May 14th starting at 11:30 AM on the bluff overlooking the Weaselhead Natural Area at 37 Street and 66 Ave SW. see map below.

Special guest will include Councillor Corrine Eagletail of the Tsuut'ina First Nation, Councillor Kourtney Penner of the City of Calgary, Alvin First Rider, Blood Tribe Land Management Environmental Technician and Norm Running Rabbit of the Siksika First Nation

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Background Information

The North American bird population is estimated to have diminished by upwards of 3 Billion birds over the last 50 years. Nature Canada determined that it would be good for cities to help their local bird populations by working to become certified as a "Bird Friendly City" by fulfilling a variety of bird friendly criteria. One criteria was to designate an official city bird.

To accomplish this the Bird Friendly Calgary Team with the assistance of nature clubs and birding enthusiasts shortlisted 5 species of birds which were then put to the public to vote on via the City of Calgary engage website. The results of the contest will be revealed on May 14th which is International Migratory Bird Day.

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