

Kathe Anderson Birding Seminars

June 5-7, 2020: This is a full weekend program focusing on birds morning and evening, with afternoons free to relax at la Casa or explore the many natural and cultural resources of the area. Hummingbird banding may be available to enjoy on Friday, from 4-6pm.

On the first evening, we'll take a closer look at the large and often confusing flycatcher family, which includes kingbirds, phoebes and pewees, among other flycatchers—some colorful and some not! Class the second evening will highlight ten bird species whose range is generally limited to the far southeast of Arizona – targets of avid birders. We'll talk about the elegant trogon, Arizona woodpecker, dusky-capped and sulfur-bellied flycatchers, rufous-winged and Botteri's sparrows, among others. Some of these species are difficult to identify and difficult to find. Get tips to do both! Choose one or both classes below, each \$30. Field trips included.

Friday, June 5:

- **5:30-6pm** – *Early Bird Bonus!* Feeder watch (meet in the dining room).
- **6-7pm** – dinner on your own, or bring dinner and eat with Kathe and other participants in the dining room.
- **7pm – Flycatchers.** In this interactive class, we'll talk about the family of flycatchers generally—how you know it's a flycatcher—and the subfamilies. On the species level, we review some pointers for identifying AZ regulars.

Saturday, June 6:

- **6-7:30am** - *Early Bird Bonus!* A slow wander around la Casa to see what's showing up at the feeders and immediate environs.
- **Right after breakfast (and we won't rush the delicious meal!):** Approximately 3 hour field trip to nearby San Pedro House (donations happily accepted), where we hope to view some of the species featured in the flycatcher program.
- **5:15pm – Optional participant dinner at a nearby restaurant.**
- **7pm – Southeast AZ Specialty Species.** This interactive class features some must-see birds of the area, many of which can't be seen elsewhere in the United States. We'll talk a bit about their backstory and some little-known facts to enhance our appreciation of these species.

Sunday, June 7:

- **6:30-7:30am** - *Early Bird Bonus!* A slow wander in the area around la Casa to look for whatever shows up.
- **Right after breakfast (and we won't rush the delicious meal!):** Approximately 3+ hour field trip to nearby Ramsey Canyon (\$5 for Nature Conservancy members, \$8 for others) and Ash Canyon (\$10). These visits will allow us to explore entirely different habitats—lush Ramsey canyon with towering trees, as well as more of a transition zone at the foot of Ash Canyon. We hope to view some of the species featured in the evening program. Wrap up the program at Ash Canyon, to add to the bird list and answer questions.

Leave the program with handouts that provide notes from the evening programs, and an appreciation of the variety of the avian treasures in the San Pedro area.