



Saw Mill River Audubon

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Instructions for Youth Scholarship Applicants

The Larry Light Memorial Scholarship Fund was set up by the family and friends of Larry Light to give financial assistance to youth age 13 to 17 who desire to attend a summer camp, workshop or class that focuses on environmental study. Past scholarships from the fund have provided a wide range of funding assistance from partial to full tuition and, in some cases, transportation assistance. For applications requesting full tuition or program cost support, we may consider the financial need of the applicant's family but, otherwise, financial need is not a factor in our selection.

What we do consider is the level of interest in the environment demonstrated by the student whether through schoolwork or extracurricular activities, including other summer experiences, travel, youth group activities and personal hobbies. We do request two written references. These should be brief letters to help us know more about your interest in the environment and how you would benefit from attending the program. One written reference should be from a teacher. Neither may be from relatives.

Past scholarships from the fund have been used for a variety of programs including sessions at the summer youth camps offered by the National Wildlife Federation, National Audubon Society, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

It is up to the applicant, with assistance as needed from family or other adults, to propose a program for which they desire an Audubon scholarship.

We do give priority to applicants from the membership area for the Saw Mill River Audubon which includes the following communities: Briarcliff Manor, Buchanan, Chappaqua, Cortlandt, Croton-on-Hudson, Crugers, Hawthorne, Maryknoll, Millwood, Mohegan Lake, Montrose, Ossining, Peekskill, Pleasantville, Scarborough, Sleepy Hollow (North Tarrytown), Tarrytown, Thornwood, Valhalla, and Verplanck.

We notify all applicants about our scholarship selections by January 15th.

If you need any assistance completing your application for the Larry Light Memorial Scholarship Fund, please contact our office of Saw Mill River Audubon, 914.666.6503 or contact us through email at office@sawmillriveraudubon.org. **Please remember that all of your application materials need to be postmarked, faxed, or emailed by December 31st.** Send your application and two written references to:

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