The resources provided freely by Birdability for any individual or organization to use to be more inclusive of people with disabilities and other health concerns, and the panel discussion from Birdability Week was life-changing for me. Sharing your stories, perspectives, and knowledge gave me incredible insights that equip me to more robustly ground my work in equity, and hold institutions accountable to do the same. I simply cannot thank you enough.

Corina Newsome
Co-organizer of #BlackBirdersWeek and Community Engagement Manager at Georgia Audubon.
Join our Founders Circle

Be part of history and show your support of inclusion and access in birding and the outdoors!

We're aiming to raise $50,000 to help us fledge as a nonprofit. Become a member of the Birdability Founders Circle for a donation of $1,000 for individuals or $2,500+ for nonprofits and companies to help us achieve this goal.

For more information, visit birdability.org/join-our-founders-circle

Standard sponsorship benefits for donations of $2,500+ apply for the remainder of 2021.

Our Vision
Birding truly is for everybody and every body, regardless of disability or other health concerns.

Our Mission
To share the joys of birding with people who have disabilities, and to ensure birding is accessible for everybody.

Our Scope
Through education, outreach and advocacy, Birdability works to ensure the birding community and the outdoors are welcoming, inclusive, safe and accessible for everybody. We focus on people with mobility challenges, blindness or low vision, chronic illness, intellectual or developmental disabilities, mental illness, and those who are neurodiverse, deaf or hard of hearing or who have other health concerns.

In addition to current birders, we strive to introduce birding to people with disabilities and other health concerns who are not yet birders so they too can experience the joys of birding.
With your support, this year we can

- **Develop resources** in consultation with birders who experience accessibility challenges, to support diverse communities looking to engage in accessible and inclusive birding.

- **Amplify the experiences** of birders with disabilities and other health concerns through the Birdability Blog, allowing an under-represented group of birders to share their stories for others to learn from.

- Create on-boarding training for our network of volunteer **Birdability Captains**, to ensure they feel **empowered** to create inclusive and accessible birding opportunities in their own communities.

- Hold a variety of **online birding programs** to allow birders with accessibility challenges to engage in virtual birding, and to teach others more about birding with a disability or other health concern.

- Coordinate our second **Birdability Week**, featuring interactive online events and fun ways to learn more about inclusivity and accessibility in birding and the outdoors.

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**Upcoming events for 2021**

- Virtual accessible field trips with Georgia Audubon
- Series of six live online interviews with birders who have disabilities, co-hosted with American Bird Conservancy
- Presenting a workshop at Biggest Week in American Birding, May 2021
- Leading outings at the Southeast Arizona Birding Festival, August 2021
- Birdability Week, supported by National Audubon, October 2021
- Leading outings at the Rio Grande Valley Birding Festival, 2021
We're looking forward to

Finding people with disabilities through local support groups to share the joys of birding with: people with spinal cord injuries, amputations, multiple sclerosis, stroke survivors, veterans...

Introducing accessible outings at birding festivals.

Creating Birdability programming at kids' disabled camps.

Collaborating on Birdability programming at rehabilitation hospitals.

Introducing birding at Independent Living Centers and through Easter Seals programming.

Providing Birdability programming at schools for the deaf and blind.

Establishing bird feeding stations at assisted living centers.

Introducing Birdability to Scouting and 4-H groups as a service project for them to provide trail work.

No one can predict what an individual with an accessibility challenge can or cannot do.

Virginia Rose
Birder with a spinal cord injury, wheelchair user and Founder of Birdability
## Founders Circle Levels for non-profits and companies

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### Our reach in the first six months of being a non-profit

- **Instagram:** 2,200+ followers
- **Facebook:** 1,250+ followers
- **Twitter:** 700+ followers
- **Newsletter:** 700+ subscribers

Established a network of 38 volunteer Birdability Captains across 18 states and 4 countries

Developed program partnerships with National Audubon Society, American Bird Conservancy and Georgia Audubon

Appeared on 5 podcasts, with a combined reach of over 80,000+ listeners internationally

Presented to 4,500+ birders and naturalists, including 12 Audubon chapters and two major bird festivals, with more in the works!