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## The Cornell Lab 2024 Young Birders Event Application Form

Please email your responses to the questions below to Vanessa Powell, <u>youngbirders@cornell.edu</u>.

Applications must be received by March 17th, 2024. This is a very competitive application process. We strongly suggest you allow yourself enough time to carefully craft and review your responses. We look forward to receiving your application! Applicants will be notified in late March.

Name: Applicant's email address: Parent/guardian email address: City, State, Country: Gender: Date of birth: Year you will graduate high school: Link to your eBird profile page (if you have one):

Please respond to questions 1-5 by writing less than 250 words per question.

- 1. Why are you interested in attending this event?
- 2. Tell us about your interest in birds. (Include how you became interested in birds.)
- 3. How often do you go birding or interact with birds? What do you do when you go? (For example, do you enter your sightings in eBird, use Merlin, sketch the birds you see, volunteer with a conservation-related project, participate in the birding community or lead field trips, etc?)
- 4. What role do you expect birds to play in your life in the future?
- 5. Do you promise to generally behave at the event, and not do anything that would get Alli and Ian in trouble?
- 6. Rank from 1-5 the topics that most interest you, with 1 being the most interested:
  \_\_Sound recording
  \_\_Computer science
  \_\_Ornithological research
  \_\_Museum collections
  \_\_Science communication and outreach

Other (please describe):

7. (Optional) Are there any programs or topics of study at the Cornell Lab you are particularly interested in learning more about?