Friends of Madrona Marsh Nature Center and Preserve

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2023 Annual Report

During 2023 the Preserve hosted **21,546** visitors.

44 children and their parents joined Tyke Hikes.

843 students and **183** adults took study tours with our docents.

Docents hosted 108 visitors on Nature Walks.

266 children and their parents came to Story Time.

1244 children and parents participated in Friday Fun.

127 scouts attended docent tours and programs.

The Friends are honored to have **731** Members.

Special Events included two presentation shared with the Audubon Society: Krystal Hickman Native Bees and Bob Allen Insects of the Purple Sage.

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The Friends and staff partnered
with Torrance Art Museum to host
two artists in residence: Katie
Shanks and Dodd Holsapple.



The Friends and the City partnered to install a water station in the Nature Center.

Volunteers donated 6792 hours of their time to help operate the Nature Center.

Please welcome new Board members, Charlene Lee and Michelle Sison

Watch for in 2024

Nature

Festival



Saturday Science



Gala Fundraiser







Nature Festival
Michael, a local high school
volunteer and budding
entomologist introduced guests
to the wonders of insects and
their lives.

Bird watchers and butterfly counters observed Green Herons, Tree Swallows and several Canada Geese families. Continual maintenance funded by the Friends and the City support a healthy Preserve where many animals and plants thrive.



Thank you to our corporate partners, SkyOne Credit Union and Torrance Refinery. These corporations have supported our membership and educational programs for many years.

The Friends thank Tanner Ellis, UCSB student. Tanner worked with Bill Arrowsmith and Suzan Hubert to create a documentary about the History of Saving the Marsh.

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