



Guest Author Submission Guidelines

Terms & Conditions

Birds of Paradise Sanctuary & Rescue (BOPS) asks for a 90-day exclusive on new work submitted to us for posting. Following the 90-day “exclusive” period, your blog post will remain in our archives, but you may republish your work wherever you wish. If you do republish, we request that you include a link at the end of the article stating that it was first posted at Birds of Paradise Sanctuary & Rescue.

If accepted, your work will be displayed on our new (featured) blog page and will then reside permanently within our blog pages and/ or archives.

Please be sure that you have also read and understood our [General Submission Guidelines](#).

Submitting Your Work for Consideration

To submit your blog to BOPS, please use the **Guest Author Submission Form**.

We will contact you at the email address you provided to let you know if your blog post has been accepted for publication. Depending on our blog queue, this could be 10 days or longer from the time of your submission.

Hyperlinks

Any hyperlinks you wish to be included in your post should be listed within the post next to the word or phrase to be hyper-linked. For example:

“National Geographic was so taken by this quote that they decided to use it as a launchpad for what they’re calling the Year of the Bird (<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/projects/year-of-the-bird/>), a 12-month multiplatform exploration that examines how our changing environment is leading to dramatic losses among bird species around the globe.”

Photos and Images

We encourage you to submit photos or illustrations with your submissions. You can include 2 images. Please be sure they are original works, Creative Commons, or that you have written permission from the artist to use the works. Please provide the copyright details to us, including a link to the source.

Image Sizes

- All images should be 72dpi.
- The maximum (per file) size is 1.5 MB.
- The post header image (which will also be used as the thumbnail image) should be 800 pixels wide by 460 pixels high.
- The secondary image may be smaller than the post header image--but cannot be larger than 800 pixels wide by 460 pixels high.

Image Titles

If you submit images, please enter the Image Title on the submission form. This will be used for the mouse over (hover) and is also used by the search engines to better index your work.

Attribution

If you quote someone, give proper attribution within the post to the author and the source of the quote.

Previously Published

If the post has been previously published and/or is currently published elsewhere, please provide the link to the post. We will link to it in the credits section.

Your Bio

At the end of the form, there is a place for you to include a brief autobiography (max. 200 words). While you may wish to use a pseudonym for your own blog, we do require your actual name for correspondence and publication at Birds of Paradise Sanctuary & Rescue.

Your Bio Picture

Please include a picture of yourself. Send something with a square aspect ratio that can be shown as a thumbnail.

Your Blog or Website Link

Tell us your blog or website address and we will embed it at the end of your bio. Please use this format: <http://yourblog.com> (or .net or .info etc.)

After Your Post Is Published

On publication, your post will be promoted through our social media channels such as Twitter, Facebook, etc. It will also be included in an email notification to all our subscribers.

Promote Your Post

To maximize the exposure of your post, if you use any or all of the above-mentioned social media services, it's a good idea for you to promote it.

If you maintain your own e-mail distribution list, be sure to include it there also.

General Submission Guidelines

- Birds of Paradise Sanctuary & Rescue invites blog submissions that illuminate the avian experience. Written blog submissions may include multimedia, photography and/ or podcasts.
- Contributors can be from anywhere in the world, but all submissions must be in English.
- Submissions do not have to cover just one subject (you may propose a blog series such as the "No Bird Brains Here"), however, there should be an umbrella theme that provides unity to the posts. Posts should be written to have broad appeal.
- Titles should be short and speak directly to the content of your blog. Lead paragraphs should be strong and to the point.
- Posts with more than 800 words must be strong enough to retain readers' interest or will be subject to editing or rejected outright.
- Birds of Paradise Sanctuary & Rescue retains the right at its sole discretion to reject submissions.

Images

- We encourage you to submit photos or illustrations with your submissions. Please be sure they are original works, Creative Commons, or that you have written permission from the artist to use the works. Please provide the copyright details to us, including a link to the source. We reserve the right to exclude post images.
- Please note that submissions sent in without images will take longer to publish.

Show Respect for Humans and Birds

- We do not accept submissions that contain adult content, and/or content that is overtly commercial, racist, sexist or slanderous. We retain the right to reject content that contains language we consider abusive.

Be Original

- Except for properly referenced quotations, all writing must be in your own words.

Editing, Spelling & Grammar

- While we do provide some “copy editing”, we do not provide “content editing”. Please edit your work and proofread it carefully before submitting it. Submissions which do not read well or are full of errors will not be accepted.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

- Your Birds of Paradise Sanctuary & Rescue Team