

**Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon Society**

# **May 2019 Program**



## **Consider The Birds of The Air: Avian History and Art History**

**Wednesday, May 8 at 7 PM**

**Cold Spring Harbor Library - 95 Shore Rd. Cold Spring Harbor**

From predators to passerines, visual images of birds have been a conspicuous presence in art throughout human history. Whether considering paleolithic carvings, ancient coinage, medieval tapestries, renaissance paintings, aboriginal featherwork, enlightenment scientific illustration, or modern animation, the analysis of these intriguing and amusing artworks provides insight into how symbolic depictions of birds reflect civilizations, and opens a scientific window onto the past for evaluating the frequency and distribution of species, reconstructing the appearance of vanished avifauna, and examining cultural practices and intercultural commerce that influence avian population dynamics and the mechanisms of extinction.

A.W. Cafarelli, Ph.D., J.D., is an ecological historian and habitat consultant whose recent field research in our region has included native forest, prairie, and wetland biomes.

**This event is free and open to the public**

7pm refreshments - 7:30 program

**Huntington-Oyster Bay Audubon Society | PO Box 735 | Huntington, NY 11743 • [www.hobaudubon.org](http://www.hobaudubon.org)**