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## Pollinator Week 2022 Highlights Unity and Progress in Protecting Pollinators

Pollinator Week 2022 (June 20-26) is the sixteenth consecutive year of bringing greater awareness to the critically important issue of pollinator conservation since Pollinator Partnership (P2) founded the initiative in 2007. In a similar fashion to years past, Pollinator Week will be marked by plantings, seminars, and celebrations aimed at lifting up pollinators and the important conservation work being done on their behalf across the world.

“We are proud that Pollinator Week is recognized by proclamations in nearly every US state and top government agencies. Pollinator Week focuses on expanding the conversation about the health and importance of pollinators, helping people everywhere and of every political stripe increase supportive action for pollinators,” said Pollinator Partnership’s Executive Director, Kelly Rourke. “We rely on pollinators to bring us 1 in every 3 bites of food. The vital role they play in biodiversity and healthy ecosystems cannot be understated.”

Pollinator Partnership will again co-host a week-long Pollinator Power Party with the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), June 20-24. The virtual party will include talks by international experts on pollinator-friendly gardens, honey production, moths and butterflies, and an exploration of Pollinator Myths. **A full line-up of the over 300 Pollinator Week activities can be found at [www.pollinator.org/Pollinator-Week/Activities](http://www.pollinator.org/Pollinator-Week/Activities).**

### WINGS OF LIFE



The 2022 Pollinator Poster “The Wings of Life: Pollinating Butterflies and Moths” by sensational artist Natalya Zahn, is available online at <https://www.pollinator.org/poster-2022>. Explore the poster online in the interactive “poster map” or order a copy of your own.

Looking to support pollinators while mastering your cooking skills? Check out the Pollinator Partnership Pollinator Friendly Cookbook. This resource encourages folks to explore new recipes featuring ingredients that rely on pollination services. Download at <https://www.pollinator.org/pollinated-food>.

Want a recipe for a successful garden? Check out the North American Pollinator Protection Campaign Garden Recipe Cards – all the ingredients you need to plan and plant a successful pollinator garden. You’ll find them at <https://www.pollinator.org/gardencards>.

Visit <https://www.pollinator.org/guides> to create beautiful pollinator habitat by downloading Ecoregional Planting Guides. You’ll find information on bees and pollinators, how to plant for them, and native plant lists specific to each ecoregion, vetted by local experts.

The world will be buzzing with events that will be happening throughout the week across North America to the far corners of the earth - from Brazil to Cyprus and more – highlights include:

#### Monday, June 20

- P2 will be working with Botanical Interests and running a Pollinator Week Giveaway on Instagram with prizes of limited-edition posters, t-shirts, and pollinator seed mixes.
- Facebook Live - P2's Program Associate, Reed Lievers, will be walking through the various species depicted on this year's pollinator poster, "The Wings of Life: Pollinating Butterflies and Moths"
- Pollinator Power Party: Dr. Lucas Garibaldi keynote speaker (noon pacific)

#### Tuesday, June 21

- Pollinator Power Party: Gardening, Culture and Equity with Feather Smith of the Cherokee Nation and Tora Rocha from Pollinator Posse (noon pacific)

#### Wednesday, June 22

- Facebook Live - Monarch Butterfly Basics with P2's Conservation Program Manager, Amber Barnes
- Pollinator Power Party: Bee My Honey with Dr. Amina Harris from UC Davis and Dr. Elina Lastro Niño from UC Davis Bee Haven (noon pacific)

#### Thursday, June 23

- Pollinator Power Party: Lovely Lepidoptera with Kevin Burls from Xerces Society, Junaid Khan from Pollinator Partnership, and Dr. Chip Taylor from Monarch Watch.

#### Friday, June 24

- Facebook Live - Pollinator Themed Cocktails with P2 Canada's Bee City Coordinator, Jordan Phelps
- USDA Pollinator Festival in Washington, DC
- Pollinator Power Party: Pollinator Myth Busters with Dr. Kristen Lear with Bat Conservation International Agave Restoration, Mace Vaughan from the Xerces Society, Dr. Vicki Wojcik from Pollinator Partnership, Jessica Fox from EPRI (noon pacific)

Miles Dakin, Bee Friendly Farming Coordinator, said, "We are very proud of the commitment that we have found in the agricultural community to adding habitat and to adhering to Integrated Pest Management principles on working lands. This past year, we certified over 130,000 acres of farmland for pollinators – that is a big win for both farms and pollinators." Laurie Davies Adams, Director of Programs at Pollinator Partnership, added "Pollinator Week is both a celebration and call to action for pollinator protection. Habitat loss, climate change, pathogens and parasites, pesticide misuse, and more, all threaten pollinators across the globe. Luckily, people around the world are unified in the need to provide pollinators with a sustainable future – farmers, gardeners, land managers, corporations, academic institutions, and government agencies are banding together to bring information and action in support of pollinators."

We can take heart in the worldwide response to Pollinator Week and join with one another to celebrate and protect pollinators. More information is at <http://www.pollinator.org/pollinatorweek>.

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ABOUT POLLINATOR PARTNERSHIP (P2) Established in 1997, Pollinator Partnership is the largest 501(c) 3 non-profit organization dedicated exclusively to the health, protection, and conservation of all pollinating animals. P2's actions for pollinators include education, conservation, restoration, policy, and research. P2's financial support comes through grants, gifts, memberships and donations from any interested party. P2's policies are science-based, set by its board of directors, and never influenced by any donor. To make a donation or for information on events during Pollinator Week visit [www.pollinator.org](http://www.pollinator.org).