

# Miriam's Nature Calendar 2021



Photos by Miriam Garfinkle



# January

Trumpeter swans are impressive, the biggest wild birds in North America. Miriam was always glad when we encountered them because each one we saw was a sign that the effort to bring them back from the edge of extinction is succeeding. Extirpated from most of their range, including Ontario, in the 1800s, Trumpeters are slowly re-establishing themselves.

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Trumpeter Swans, Leslie Street Spit, December 2017



# February

*Each place has its own magic. The lake off Point Petre is usually sunny and inviting in summer. In the winter, the mood is very different. It was a place Miriam appreciated, no matter what side of its changing personality was on display.*

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*Point Petre, Prince Edward County, Winter 2015*



# March

Hearing and seeing the first red-winged blackbird of the season is always exciting because it is a sign that spring is going to arrive, even if it hasn't actually arrived yet. The earliest we ever heard a redwing was on February 21 in 2016, in Rattray Marsh. However, it was a warm day in May when Miriam photographed this vigilant male.

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		Spring Peepers & Wood Frogs start calling in late March	Start carrot seeds																																													

Red-winged Blackbird, Brickworks, Spring 2013





# April

An extraordinary variety of species have made their homes in Colonel Sam Smith Park, a modest-sized park on Toronto's waterfront. Over the years, Miriam photographed ducks, grebes, snowy owls, mink, butterflies, and much else. Tree swallows nest there in the spring, dazzling us humans with their speed and beauty.

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4 Easter Sunday Passover ends at sunset National Wildlife Week begins	5 Easter Monday	6 Turtles start to emerge from hibernation in early April	7 World Health Day	8	9	10																																																	
11	12	13 Start of Ramadan	14	15	16	17 Palestinian Political Prisoners' Day																																																	
18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day Peak of Lyrids meteor shower (Apr 22-23)	23	24 Miriam's birthday (1954)																																																	
25 World Immunization Week	26	 27 Full Moon (Pink Moon) (Supermoon)	28 Workers Mourning Day for workers killed at work	29 Day of Remembrance for Victims of Chemical Warfare	30	<p>May 2021</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td></tr> <tr><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td></tr> <tr><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td></tr> <tr><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td></tr> <tr><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>	S	M	T	W	T	F	S							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31					
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*Tree Swallow, Colonel Sam Smith Park, Spring 2013*



# May

*Miriam rarely had an agenda when she was out in nature. She knew that the best moments, in nature and in life, are those that simply happen. We don't find them; they find us. So it was on this walk, when we suddenly came upon a group of Swallowtail butterflies feeding on a cluster of flowering shrubs.*

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2 International Dawn Chorus Day	3 World Press Freedom Day	4 First chimney swifts arrive in southern Ontario/Quebec (early May)	5 Marx's birthday (1818)	6 Time to plant corn	7	8 World Migratory Bird Day																																										
9 Mother's Day	10	11	12	13 Eid al-Fitr	14	15 Al Nakba Day																																										
16	17 International Day against Homophobia, Transphobia & Biphobia	18	19	20 World Bee Day	21 Bike to Work Day Endangered Species Day	22 International Day for Biological Diversity																																										
23 World Turtle Day	24 Victoria Day	25 Week of Solidarity with Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories	26  FULL Full Moon/Supermoon (Flower Moon) Lunar Eclipse max: 7:19 am in Eastern Canada	27	28	29																																										
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*Swallowtail Butterfly, Craigeith Gardens, May 2015*



# June

*Sometimes you don't even have to go anywhere to see something exciting. Miriam looked out the back door and saw a Cooper's Hawk in our birdbath. It hung around for a full hour, giving Miriam ample opportunity to get out her camera, as well as to phone me at work to describe what she was seeing.*

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*Cooper's Hawk in Miriam's birdbath, downtown Toronto, Summer 2016*



# July

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*Northern Gannets, Cape St. Mary's, Newfoundland, July 2015*





# August

*In Pukaskwa, the granite of the Canadian shield underlies both the natural environment and the human history. We spent much time walking on the ancient rocks overlooking Lake Superior, and we repeatedly returned to one special place, Bimose Kinoomagewnan: the walk of teachings, created by the Anishnabe people whose ancestral land this is.*

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1 Fall Migration Monitoring begins (Aug 1–Nov 15)	2 Provincial holiday See Saturn all night long! World Breastfeeding Week	3	4	5	6 Hiroshima Day	7
8 Muharram / Islamic New Year begins at sunset International Cat Day	9 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	10	11	12 World Elephant Day Peak of Perseids meteor shower (night of Aug 12-13)	13 International Wolf Day International Lefthanders Day	14
15	16	17	18	19 World Humanitarian Day See Jupiter and its moons all night long!	20	21
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# September

*We were hiking on the Bruce Trail when we came upon this Milk Snake sunning itself on a rock. We admired it from a few feet away, and Miriam photographed it. We suspected that it had recently eaten.*

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*Milk Snake, Bruce Peninsula, September 2014*



# October

*"You can't see me!" Sometimes it's easy to get a photo of a grouse, because their strategy for avoiding detection is to stand completely still. This grouse in Pukaskwa obligingly stayed put while Miriam took several photos.*

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*Grouse, Pukaskwa National Park, September 2016*



# November

*One of the best things about Kakabeka Falls, the second-highest waterfall in Ontario, is that it has escaped the commercialization of Niagara. We stood at the edge of a forest, watching the Kaministiquia River plunge over the rocks. Miriam took photos, and then we had a picnic.*

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# December

*Miriam's love of nature encompassed an infinite variety of places and creatures. But chickadees had a special place in her heart. She loved them. Much as she had a passion for swifts and many other birds, chickadees were the birds she could most relate to. Their curiosity, friendliness, and tenacity matched her own way of being in the world. They were soulmates.*

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*“Every sunset is special.”* Lake Huron, April 30, 2018. Miriam loved watching the sun set, and she loved photographing sunsets. We were camped at MacGregor Park, and as the sun sank lower in the sky, naturally we rode our bicycles to Sunset Point to watch. When Miriam took out her camera, I smiled, because this was such a familiar occurrence. Seeing my smile, she looked at me, with an unusually serious expression, and said “Every sunset is special.” This one was: it was the last time in her life that she was able to photograph a sunset.

# Miriam's Nature Calendar 2021

*Photos by Miriam Garfinkle*

This calendar presents a selection of Miriam Garfinkle's nature photos. All the large photos (cover + the 12 months + page 26) are by Miriam, as are the small nature photos on some pages. The photos of Miriam (except March), and text atop the calendar pages, are by Ulli Diemer. The buttons on the calendar pages are ones that Miriam wore. Front: Bimose Kinoomagewnan, Pukaskwa National Park, August 2013.

Miriam took many photos. To see more of them, visit [www.diemer.ca/Photos/MiriamsSelected1.html](http://www.diemer.ca/Photos/MiriamsSelected1.html)

Articles and letters by Miriam, and articles about Miriam and her many involvements, are at [www.diemer.ca/Miriam/](http://www.diemer.ca/Miriam/)

The Moments with Miriam page, with many contributions from people who knew Miriam, is [www.diemer.ca/Docs/MomentswithMiriam.pdf](http://www.diemer.ca/Docs/MomentswithMiriam.pdf)

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*Miriam in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, July 2015. (Photo by Ulli)*

*The best moments, in nature and in life, are those that simply happen.*

*We don't find them; they find us.*



*Photo by Miriam Garfinkle*

## Websites to explore

Birds Canada – [birdscanada.org](http://birdscanada.org)

Swiftwatch – [birdscanada.org/bird-science/swiftwatch/](http://birdscanada.org/bird-science/swiftwatch/)

eBird – [ebird.org/canada/](http://ebird.org/canada/)

Toronto Field Naturalists – [torontofieldnaturalists.org](http://torontofieldnaturalists.org)

Amphibians and Reptiles of Canada – [canadianherpetology.ca](http://canadianherpetology.ca)

Astronomy Calendar – [seasky.org/astronomy/astronomy-calendar-2021.html](http://seasky.org/astronomy/astronomy-calendar-2021.html)

Electronic Intifada – [electronicintifada.net](http://electronicintifada.net)

Mondoweiss – [mondoweiss.net](http://mondoweiss.net)

Climate & Capitalism – [climateandcapitalism.com](http://climateandcapitalism.com)

Zatoun – [zatoun.com](http://zatoun.com) (fair trade olive oil from Palestine)

Miriam Garfinkle Social Justice Fund – [www.miriamgarfinklefund.org](http://www.miriamgarfinklefund.org)

Connexions – [connexions.org](http://connexions.org)

Ulli Diemer – [diemer.ca](http://diemer.ca)



# Remembering Miriam



## Miriam Garfinkle Lane

The City of Toronto named a laneway after Miriam. It runs east from Clinton Street, just south of Barton Avenue.



## Peace Garden

A guerrilla garden created and maintained by Jim Sugiyama is now known as the Gaza Miriam Garfinkle Peace Garden.

## Miriam Garfinkle Social Justice Fund

Friends of Miriam have set up the Miriam Garfinkle Social Justice Fund. The fund was established to honour Miriam's lifetime of work for social justice. Its mission is to support projects and initiatives that aim to change the world in large ways and small, with the ultimate goal of building a world based on justice and community where people live in harmony with the planet.

The Fund prioritizes grassroots initiatives, with emphasis on projects designed to raise awareness and stimulate organizing and action.

For more information, or to make a donation to the Fund, visit [www.miriamgarfinklefund.org](http://www.miriamgarfinklefund.org)



## M is for Miriam

M is for Miriam is a children's book about Miriam, written by Ulli Diemer and illustrated by Emma Lightstone. It's an alphabet book with each page devoted to some aspect of Miriam's life:

C is for Community, D is for Doctor,  
G is for Garden, L is for Laughter,  
N is for Nature, P is for Piano,  
Q is for Questions, S is for Solidarity,  
W is for Waffles....

Information: [diemer.ca/ContactDiemer.html](http://diemer.ca/ContactDiemer.html)