

IWRS NEWSLETTER

Our 4th year | Annual Fundraiser | Ready or not - springtime!

New President

We are proud to announce that **Mandy McDiarmid** has stepped up to fill the role of President at Interior Wildlife!



Mandy is a biologist by trade and runs "Shuswap Bird of Prey" - a falconry based wildlife management and raptor education company. She is an advocate for conservation and shares her fascination of raptors with anyone caring for our wild native birds as much as we do!

With gratitude

We are very grateful for your continued support as a member to our society.

Seasons are shifting - hibernation station over weeks ago!



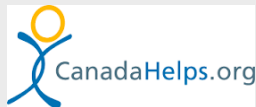
Due to recent changes in climate and extreme temperature fluctuations, seasons are shifting, the hibernating marmots in our care woke up quite early. We've had snake, bat and more yellow-bellied marmots come through our doors already. We all know a tale or two about wildlife displacement - BUT if this comes with an unwillingness by some local people to share mutual space with wild animals, we think this is not the way! Predators are villanized and rodents are labelled as unwanted "pests"?



WE CAN & MUST DO BETTER. There are still people that care and want to help. So we continue to do what we do best. Caring for wildlife with head and heart.

Our Monthly Donors

Invitation to become a **monthly IWRS donor** via CanadaHelps, vital support for our running costs. Ask us how to set this up via CanadaHelps!



New board member

Warm welcome to **Stacy Wolfenden!** Interior Wildlife's newest board member & Director of Fundraising. We're excited to have Stacy on board and are looking forwards to plenty of great future grant proposals for our wild patients.



Acknowledgements

We are humbled to be able to promote co-existence with wildlife on unceded Syilx Okanagan Nation territory. We are also so grateful to use the Summerland private property we are working on.

The support of our amazing communities allowed us to answer nearly 1,000 public inquiries about potential wildlife in need of human care or veterinary assessment in 2023. Our patients' intake numbers have also increased by a third.



Our annual fundraiser coming up May 17th in Kelowna

This year's film festival & silent auction will take place at the **Mary Irwin Theatre** in Kelowna!



Date: May 17th
Time: Auction 5:30pm, films: 6pm- 7:30pm.
Tickets are on sale online via our website and at the RCA Kelowna box office.

The line-up of films is award-winning, inspiring, thought-provoking and one is DAM BIG!

Check out the trailers on our website:
interiorwildlife.ca/spring-fundraiser-2024/