

## Martin Byhower – Bio Details

### Other Current Professional Activities:

- Chair, Land Stewardship Committee and Member, Scientific Advisory Panel, Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy
- Co-founder, Heal The Bay
- National Conservation Chair, American Cetacean Society
- Officer/Board Member Friends of Madrona Marsh
- Co-founder Redondo Beach Dog Park
- George F Canyon Nature Center Committee, City of Rolling Hills Estates

In addition to teaching Life Science, Martin heads up a 12-acre Chadwick Canyon Coastal Sage Scrub restoration project and coordinates the school's recycle program.

- Director, Birding Southern California (Private bird guiding/tour operator)
- Biological Consultant:
  - Avian and wildlife surveys
  - Habitat restoration and enhancement
- Educational curriculum authoring/review, esp. environmental education

### Publications:

- "Palos Verdes Peninsula" Chapter in *American Birding, Association Guide to Birding in Southern California*
- Avian Nesting Survey at Ken Malloy/Harbor Regional Park, 2004, for City of Los Angeles Dept. of Recreation and Parks

### Previous Background:

Marine Biologist, Aquaculturist, and Environmental Educator

### Current Public Service/Volunteer Activities:

- Active Past President, PV/South Bay Audubon Society
- Member, Scientific Advisory Panel, Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy
- Leader, free monthly bird walks for PV/South Bay Audubon and other groups

### Current Public Speaker Presentations

- "The Good, the Bad, and the Unwanted" on the Global and Local Impacts of Invasive Species
- Ken Malloy/Harbor Regional Park; Implementation of Prop O's \$117 Million Water Quality Improvement/Habitat Improvement grant

### Past Community/Environmental Service

- Co-founder, Heal The Bay
- National Conservation Chair, American Cetacean Society
- Vice-President, LA City Park Advisory Board for KMHRP
- Officer/Board Member Friends of Madrona Marsh
- Co-founder Redondo Beach Dog Park
- Chair, Land Stewardship Committee, Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy
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**Awards and Honors:**

- SEED Award for Marine Preservation and Conservation, South Bay Business Environmental Coalition, Sept. 2009
- Environmental Hero Award (city of Manhattan Beach/VOICE) Earth DAY 2009
- Roy Ferrin Service Award (for work at Ken Malloy/Harbor Regional Park), Harbor City Chamber of Commerce, 2007
- Earth Day Certificate of Recognition, Los Angeles City Council, April 2007
- Helen Bing Educator Grant, 2005
- Outstanding young Educator, Redondo Beach and State of California Jaycees, 1992
- Two Pascoe Teaching Fellowships, Chadwick School
- County of Los Angeles Volunteer of the Year, 1990
- Palos Verdes/South Bay Audubon Education Award, 1990

**Educational Background:**

- Academic Degrees Aquatic Biology and Geology, UC Santa Barbara
- California Teaching Credential, California State University, Dominguez Hills

In addition to birding, Martin Byhower's current interests include invasive species impacts, native habitat restoration, and becoming more proficient in identification of native plants, butterflies, and dragonflies.