

## You Can Help Keep Birds Safe From Halloween Decorations!

We can host a creative Halloween event at the same time we keep wild birds safe in our neighborhoods. Here's a few suggestions to help protect resident and fall migratory birds as we enjoy this holiday.



Use natural products instead of those made with plastic and chemicals.

Avoid shiny materials so birds won't try to eat them.

No more balloons! Birds try to eat them or get entangled. Use paper lanterns or banners instead.

Hang decorations safely by removing anything that could entangle birds. This means not using artificial cobwebs.

Light it up with LED lights. Many songbirds migrate at night so we should minimize interfering with their journey.

Keep it quiet since loud noises are stressful. You can still enjoy eerie music and spooky sound effects at gentler sound levels.

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