Have you noticed any bird nests in your neighborhood?
*Peek in a hanging flower basket...a street light...a store sign...an old boot...or under a bridge!*

*Birds build nests in the strangest places!*

People of all ages are invited to **go outside and look for funky nests** in your neighborhood. Take a photo, create some artwork, shoot video, write a story or a poem, or create a sculpture. Get creative! Just show a bird’s nest built in some out-of-the-way or out-of-this-world place.

When observing nests please be sure to avoid touching them or disturbing the birds.

**How to Enter the Challenge**

- Email your photo, art, or video entry to urbanbirds@cornell.edu. Links are acceptable for videos.
- Write “Funky Nests in Funky Places” in the subject line.
- Include your name and mailing address
- Tell us why you submitted your entry to the Funky Nests in Funky Places contest. What’s the story behind your image?
- Send us your entry before July 31, 2009

Selected entries will be posted on the Celebrate Urban Birds website. By entering, you agree that you are granting the Cornell Lab of Ornithology a royalty-free, perpetual license to use the images or video for any purpose, including but not limited to publications, websites, and commercial products benefiting our education, outreach, and research programs.

Visit **www.CelebrateUrbanBirds.org** for details

**Prizes include** a Leica C-LUX 3 compact camera, HUMM bird feeders, shrubs for planting, signed copies of John Robinson’s book *Birding for Everyone*, Laura Erickson’s *101 Ways to Help the Birds* and much more.

We’ll send the first 50 entries a copy of our “Doves and Pigeons” poster by Julie Zickefoose.