

Amazona Society

The Amazona Society is a well-respected organization that was founded in 1984 by the late James J. Murphy and Jan Roger van Oosten. The Amazona Society is a world class association of international aviculturists organized for the purpose of responsible aviculture for the genus *Amazona*. Additionally, Amazona Society supports *Amazona* conservation activities of other groups. It also provides leadership, communication and scientific/ technical data to their members as well as to the general public.

The Amazona Society was created and is dedicated to the following goals:

- Building self-sustaining captive-bred populations of as many species possible in the genus *Amazona*.
- Disseminate avicultural and scientific information on the genus *Amazona* to all members and other interested parties through *Amazona Quarterly* magazine;
- Take a periodic census of the captive population of the genus *Amazona*;
- Reintroduce threatened *Amazona* species when there is a self-sustaining captive breeding population and when protected reserves in their active habitats have been secured;
- Assist, where possible, the preservation of the genus *Amazona* in the wild.

The Amazona Society publishes a wonderful magazine *Amazona Quarterly*. The purpose of this magazine is to educate, enlighten, entertain and share useful information on the genus *Amazona*. It contains many articles written by knowledgeable members and by field biologists. They document an incredible wealth of knowledge and experience not found elsewhere.


Amazona Quarterly features articles on breeding, companion bird training, cage, flight, and nest-box construction, feeding, conservation, Amazon eco-tour locations, hand-rearing, parent rearing, sources for reasonably priced and hard to find bird related items, overall management, plus a periodic census of baby Amazons produced by our members.

Additionally, a "For Sale & Wanted" classified section is included which is free to members for ads concerning Amazon species and related supplies.

The Amazona Society has a very informative and easy to use web-site. In addition to basic information about the genus *Amazona* and the Society, they also offer helpful Members /Species Profiles. They also have Regional Advisors and an "Ask the Experts" column available to help people with their questions.

The Amazona Society sponsored the internationally-renowned aviculturist Brian Eddy at this year's American Federation of Aviculture convention. Mr. Eddy has been breeding parrots for more than 14 years and now specializes in the genus *Amazona*. He is also the founding president of the Parrot Association of Canada. Come meet the friendly people at the Amazona Society in Los Angeles and hear Mr. Eddy speak on these popular and intriguing parrots.

If you own one of these magnificent parrots, you need to belong to the fantastic organization. Dues are only \$20.00 in the United States and \$26.00 for international (U.S. funds only, please). For more information contact:

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