Friends of the Norris Center 2025 Membership Form

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All Friends of the Norris Center Members Receive These Standard Benefits:

- Online announcements of upcoming events and activities
- Norris Center sticker
- ❖ Access to member-only events
- Discount on Norris Center events (fee-based workshops, classes, etc.)
- ❖ Invitation to annual membership event

 Memberships are annual and must be renewed each calendar
 year. If you join in the last quarter of the calendar year
 (October—December), your membership will extend
 through the following year.

Give a Gift of Membership

If you would like to gift this membership to another person, please enter the information for the person who will receive the gift membership:

Gift Membership Amount \$		
Gift Recipient Name		
Gift Address		
City		
State Zip Code		
Gift Email		

Please return this form and payment to:

Friends of the Norris Center ENVS, 1156 High St.

Santa Cruz, CA 95064

Or return by email to:

FNC@ucsc.edu

Or join via secure link:

bit.ly/norrisfriends

Questions? Want to volunteer? Email

FNC@ucsc.edu

OR visit

norriscenter.ucsc.edu/ friends







What Is the Kenneth S. Norris Center for Natural History at UC Santa Cruz?

The Norris Center connects UCSC students with the natural world through direct observation of and interaction with organisms and ecosystems. "I have NEVER, EVER been so aware and connected with the world around me, and I mean nature and people." - Jordan Mangskau, 2024



Who Are the Friends of the Norris Center?

The Friends of the Norris Center (FNC) is a group dedicated to advancing the Norris Center for Natural History's mission. FNC members work to build a community of people who carry their passion for the natural world into all aspects of their lives.

Recent FNC Activities:

- Sponsoring and helping to plan for Norris Center speakers and public events
- Holding a beautification/work day at the Norris Canter
- Financially supporting student artists to create new FNC stickers
- Preparing herbarium specimens and mentoring herbarium student interns
- Providing editorial support on student projects
- Representing FNC in outreach to the community
- Planning and holding FNC members events (see below)



In 2023-24 the Norris Center...

- Engaged with 2,016 students and 292 community members.
- Supported 74 classes, 55 quarterly internship positions, and 17 public events.
- Funded 22 paid quarterly positions, 8 class scholarships, 8 undergraduate and 6 graduate project awards.
- Received two significant grants: one to improve storage and curation of the extensive museum specimen collections, and one to collaborate with the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band to create an illustrated booklet about traditional relationships with twenty local plant species.



Participants on an elephant seal spotting and tour of UC Natural Reserve at Año Nuevo, an FNC members event. Other recent member events: FNC Reception/Annual Meeting, bird banding at Younger Lagoon Reserve, and a bird walk at Rancho Del Oso.