

Thank You for A Great Year

In reflecting on our work over the past year, we at Steep Rock Association are feeling very grateful. Thanks to you, it's been an incredibly successful year. It takes a special team to be so successful and I want to recognize and thank our dedicated Board of Trustees, terrific staff, amazing group of volunteers and interns, and special donors like you, who bring our efforts to reality. I hope you'll take a moment to view this generous group of supporters in our [2021 Gratitude Report](#). On behalf of all of us at Steep Rock, we wish you a happy and healthy holiday season and a year of abundance for 2022.

See you on the trails,



Brian Hagenbuch, Ph.D.
Executive Director

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Featured Highlights



Judea Garden Receives "Friend of the Green" Award

The Friend of the Green Award is presented annually by The [Frederick Gunn School](#) to honor an individual or group that has contributed to the well-being of the town of Washington through their volunteer efforts. [>more](#)

Environmental Champion Award

Steep Rock Association is honored to receive Aquarion Water Company's 2021 Environmental Champion Award in the non-profit category.

Thank you, [Aquarion Water Company](#), for this recognition, and thanks to all our supporters and partners for making SRA instrumental to conservation in Connecticut.

Great Gifts

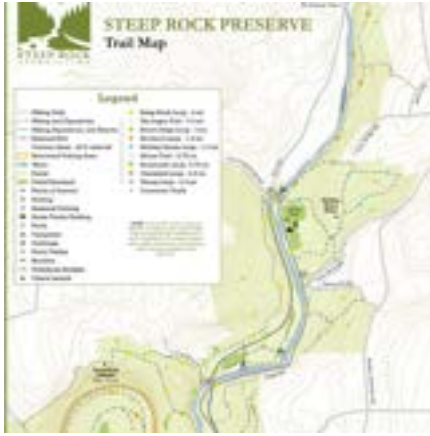


Steep Rock Honey

Pure, raw, artisanal honey from our hives in Macricostas and Hidden Valley Preserves in Washington, Connecticut. Each batch contains pollen and nectar from within three miles of the hives. Limited quantity. Pick up a jar today at [Hickory Stick Bookshop](#), [The Po Cafe](#), [J. Seitz and Co.](#), or at the [Steep Rock Association office](#) (\$25).

Award Winning Book about Steep Rock

For the readers on your list, give the award-winning "The History of Steep Rock Association" (\$60) by local author and landscape historian, Carol Santoleri. The book is available at the [Hickory Stick Bookshop](#), [J. Seitz & Co.](#), or at the [Steep Rock Office](#) or by ordering online [>buy now](#)



Steep Rock Preserves Trail Maps

Beautifully printed trail maps are a great gift for the Steep Rock Hiker in your life! Maps are available at [The Hickory Stick Bookshop](#) and [The Po Café](#) for \$15 a set.

You can get an exclusive pairing of our history book and maps for \$60 by visiting the [Steep Rock office](#) at 116 Christian Street, New Preston (M-F 8:00-4:00pm) or by ordering online. [>buy now](#)

Upcoming Events!



Counting Chickadees & Tallying Titmice

Don't miss our upcoming event - Counting Chickadees and Tallying Titmice, Sunday, Dec. 19th at 10am-12pm.

Join us on a 1 ½-mile winter birding excursion through Macricostas Preserve, where you can be part of the nation's longest-running citizen science bird project, Audubon's Christmas Bird Count. Registration Required [>more](#)



Midwinter Eagle Survey

Zoom training on Monday, Jan. 3rd from 5-6pm prior to the set survey window of Saturday, Jan. 8th from 7am - 11am.

Bundle up and become a citizen scientist by scanning sections of the Shepaug River for bald eagles. The data collected will be reported to the CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) as our contribution to the nationwide survey whose goal is to document trends in eagle populations over time [>more](#)



Volunteer this Winter

Steep Rock has winter opportunities available this winter, from Social Media, Data Input, Administrative, or assisting with Seed Starting and Composting for Judea Garden, there are plenty of ways to volunteer with us! [>more](#)

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