



RAPTORS IN THE CITY

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The raptors shown in these pictures are at home in Rhode Island's capital city, Providence! Can you find these familiar Providence landmarks where these amazing birds were spotted?



SO WHAT IS A RAPTOR ANYWAY?

- Raptors are birds like hawks, falcons, owls, eagles and ospreys.
- They have big eyes so that they can spot their food from up in the sky.
- These birds have sharp, strong toenails (called talons) and a curved beak to grab and eat their food.



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Peregrine Falcons have a nest box up high on 111 Westminster Street. Can you spot it from the ground level?



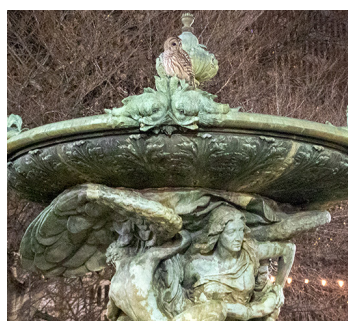
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A Cooper's Hawk was posing in front of the famous Biltmore sign. Can you locate the sign? There are two.



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This Barred Owl was looking for some fun at the Imagination Center. Can you find this sign near Kennedy Plaza?



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The Barred Owl also liked to perch on the beautiful Bajnotti Fountain while hunting. Can you locate it?



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This Red-tailed Hawk was saluting the state flag of Rhode Island near Burnside Park. Can you find it waving?



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Red-tailed Hawks sometimes perch up high on the statue of Independent Man. Can you find him?

Share some of the places you've seen wild animals in the city. Take a picture of city wildlife or any of these landmarks, then use our social media prompts to tag us or post a short note about your favorite city spot. Have fun finding raptors and other wildlife in the city!

Photos by Peter Green — Follow Providence Raptors on social media for more, and look for his new book coming this summer.