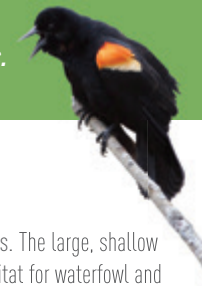


GUIDED OUTINGS*

*Please meet us at the specified locations – transportation is not available for these events. For directions, visit llbean.com/freeport



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FRIDAY - MAY 25 ONLY

7:30-9 p.m. | Bat & Owl Prowl at Mast Landing Sanctuary

Come for a special evening event with Maine Audubon staff naturalist Doug Hitchcox and bat expert Danielle Gustafson. We'll look and listen for bats, ovenbirds, barred owls and hermit thrush, and use Wildlife Acoustics' bat detector to find bats that might not otherwise be identified.

SATURDAY - MAY 26 ONLY

9-10 a.m. | Children's Bird Walk at Pettengill Farm

A shorter, easier bird walk designed for young birdwatchers. We'll offer kids the chance to explore this beautiful property with an eye for birds and the environment that supports them.

7:30-9 p.m. | Family Bat Outing at Fogg Farm

Join bat expert Danielle Gustafson from Bat Conservation International as we explore the fascinating world of bats. We'll use Wildlife Acoustics' bat detector to find and identify bats in action.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY - MAY 26-27

7-9 a.m. | Florida Lake Outing

Explore this Freeport town park with local birding experts. The large, shallow lake and surrounding wetlands provide an excellent habitat for waterfowl and over 100 species of birds. Come look for tree swallows, Canada warblers and scarlet tanagers with us.

7-9 a.m. | Pettengill Farm Outing

Join local birding experts at this 19th-century saltwater farm, located on the estuary of the Harraseeket River. The property encompasses 140 acres of fields, woods, apple orchards and a salt marsh, as well as trails that wind down to the river. We identified 43 songbirds and shorebirds during our 2017 outings.

3-5 p.m. | Wolfe's Neck Center Outing

Wolfe's Neck Center for Agriculture and the Environment is located along the shores of Casco Bay in Freeport. Join local birding experts near the salt marsh to watch for wading- and sea-birds. We'll then walk on a path along the river, looking for songbirds and seabirds. Bobolink are frequently seen in the fields, and 114 bird species have been identified.

MONHEGAN ISLAND BIRDING HIKE, \$159

Sunday, May 27 - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Experience a unique view into bird migration on one of Maine's most enchanting islands. Monhegan's small size and isolated location, along with protected forests and marshes, provide a welcome respite for migrating birds. Hike along the island's trails to the highest ocean bluffs on the Maine coastline. Monhegan is among the nation's most stunning places and a premier birding destination. Cost includes parking fee, ferry admission and a picnic lunch. Participants should arrive at the ferry in New Harbor by 8 a.m.



Space is limited—advance registration is required. For more details and to sign up, visit llbean.com/adventure

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Special Guest DAVID ALLEN SIBLEY

SATURDAY, MAY 26 - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Camping Atrium, Flagship Store

6-7 P.M. BOOK SIGNING

7-8 P.M. PRESENTATION:
PSYCHOLOGY OF BIRD IDENTIFICATION

In this lecture, illustrated with photos, drawings, and a few tests, David talks about how we perceive the world around us, and how our brains both help and hinder our efforts at bird identification.

DAVID ALLEN SIBLEY is the author and illustrator of the series of successful guides to nature that bear his name, including the *New York Times* best seller *The Sibley Guide to Birds*. He has contributed art and articles to *Smithsonian*, *Science*, *The Wilson Journal of Ornithology*, *Birding*, *BirdWatching*, and *North American Birds*, and wrote and illustrated a syndicated column for *The New York Times*. David is the recipient of the Roger Tory Peterson Award for Lifetime Achievement from the American Birding Association and the Linnaean Society of New York's Eisenmann Medal. He lives in Concord, Massachusetts.

For more information on David Allen Sibley, please visit www.prhspeakers.com

PACKING SUGGESTIONS FOR OUTINGS:

Binoculars, weather-appropriate clothing & footwear, insect repellent, sunscreen, hat, flashlight or headlamp (at night), snacks and water. Please do not bring pets.

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FRIDAY - MAY 25

6-7 p.m. | Amazing Bats! with Danielle Gustafson, Bat Conservation International

Learn about the benefits of bats, locally and around the world. Bat expert Danielle Gustafson will discuss threats to bats and how you can help at home and in your community. Show will include live, local, insect-eating bats! *Camping Atrium* — after the talk, join Danielle at the Mast Landing Sanctuary for a guided Bat & Owl Prowl, see inside panel for details.

SATURDAY - MAY 26

8:30 a.m.-Noon | Birds of Casco Bay Boat Trip, \$75

Join Captain Peter Milholland from Seacoast Tours of Freeport and a guide from Maine Audubon for a scenic birding tour off the shores of several small islands in Casco Bay. Peter, a marine educator for over 25 years, will take us to hidden coves and bays where we'll search for seabirds. **Space is limited—advance registration is required. Visit maineaudubon.org to sign up.** Meet at the Outdoor Discovery Center at the Flagship Store by 8:30 a.m. to take a free shuttle to our Paddling Center, where boat will depart.

10 a.m.-3 p.m. | Cornell Lab of Ornithology

Cornell staff will be on hand to help you get started with birding. Check out educational materials, get suggestions for bird watching and feeding, and find lots of fun activities for kids. *Discovery Lobby*

10:30-11:30 a.m. | Fur, Feathers & Feet: An Introduction to Birds and Mammals with Chewonki Foundation

Discover the differences and similarities between birds and mammals. You'll get the chance to examine beak, foot and feather specimens to get a closer look at each animal's adaptations. We'll also get a visit from their live, nonreleasable birds and mammals. *Main St. Patio*

11 a.m.-2 p.m. | Kids' Crafts with Julie Yeo

Kids will make and take home a fun, unique bird-themed craft. *Discovery Lobby*

11:30 a.m.-Noon | Song Sleuth Demo with Sherwood Snyder of Wildlife Acoustics

The Song Sleuth phone app is a fun and easy way to learn birding by ear—it can listen to birds singing around you and instantly show you the most likely bird species that it heard. The app provides all the tools you need to identify the correct bird, allows you to save and share your recordings, and helps you learn about each bird. *Discovery Patio*

1-2 p.m. | Maine Bird Atlas with Doug Hitchcox, Staff Naturalist at Maine Audubon

In 2018, the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife launched the Maine Bird Atlas project to document the birds that call Maine home. Doug Hitchcox, a staff member for the project, will discuss the importance of the Atlas and how you can help support it. Using the established eBird database, the portal lets you submit observations and explore data in real-time. To learn more, visit maine.gov/birdatlas *Camping Atrium*

2-3 p.m. | Birding by Ear with Jerry Berrier of birdblind.org and Sherwood Snyder of Wildlife Acoustics

Identifying birds by their songs is a skill that greatly improves your birding. Sight-impaired birder Jerry Berrier will teach you helpful techniques for remembering and identifying birds by songs and calls. Sherwood Snyder will demonstrate the incredible Song Sleuth app. *Camping Atrium*

4-4:30 p.m. | Bat Talk with Danielle Gustafson, Bat Conservation International

Learn about the importance of local insect-eating bats, the threats to these amazing creatures, and some fun and easy ways to attract, conserve and identify bats in Maine. *Discovery Patio*

6-8 p.m. | Special Guest: David Allen Sibley

We're thrilled to welcome birding's foremost author and illustrator. See inside panel for details.

SUNDAY - MAY 27

8 a.m.-4 p.m. | Monhegan Island Birding Hike, \$159 See back panel for details.

8:30 a.m.-Noon | Birds of Casco Bay Boat Trip, \$75 See Saturday for details.

9-10 a.m. | Birder's Social

An informal gathering of fellow birders! Share birding stories, photos, tips and favorite spots in a relaxed setting while enjoying snacks and beverages. Staff from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology will also be on hand. We invite you to listen in and participate on Ray Brown's Talkin' Birds broadcast while you're here! *Discovery Lobby*

9:30-10 a.m. | Ray Brown's Talkin' Birds LIVE Broadcast

Join us for a live broadcast of Ray Brown's Talkin' Birds' radio show, a lively, educational and interactive program that appeals to birders and nonbirders alike. Listened to by thousands around the world each week, the show airs on stations in the Northeast, streams live at talkinbirds.com and is also available as a podcast on iTunes. *Discovery Lobby*

10-11 a.m. | Maine Birds of Prey with Center for Wildlife

What's the difference between a hawk and a falcon? Do we have vultures in Maine? What is our smallest owl? Using live birds and hands-on materials, we'll discuss the types of birds of prey found in Maine, along with their habitats, habits, place in the food chain and reasons why they need protection. *Main St. Patio*

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10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. | Bird Sketching with Artist, Michael Boardman

Try your hand at drawing birds at this fun, interactive workshop for all ages with Michael Boardman, an avid naturalist and artist. He'll introduce you to the basic concepts of drawing birds and provide model birds for you to work from. All supplies are provided. *Camping Atrium*

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1-2 p.m. | Owls of Maine with Chewonki Foundation

Get an intimate look at Chewonki's live, non-releasable barred, great horned, and screech or saw-whet owls, all native to Maine and New England. This interactive program will explore the different appearances and calls of each owl and the adaptations of these nocturnal hunters, using talons, wings and skulls. Great for all ages! *Main St. Patio*

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Plus, don't miss FREE guided outings all weekend. See inside panel for details.

