COASTAL MAINE BIRD STUDIES FOR TEENS
Observe Audubon’s seabird conservation field research in action.

THREE FULL 2020 Teen Summer-Camp SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!
Offered by Appalachian Audubon Society: http://appalachianaudubon.org/education.html

Application available at above website. DEADLINE: January 24, 2020

Designed for ages 14*-17 only, this intensive 6-day, 5-night program on Hog Island (Muscongus Bay, Maine) allows enthusiastic young birders to work with some of the country’s best-known birders and ornithologists on field identification, bird ecology and conservation. Occurring concurrently with the adult Field Ornithology and Hands-on Bird Science sessions, and sharing many of the same instructors, this program includes the unique opportunity to see Audubon’s Seabird Restoration work in action, and is the only Hog Island program that lands participants on Eastern Egg Rock during the puffin breeding season (weather and sea conditions permitting).

"I just want to say that I can highly recommend this camp to everyone, especially to teens. It’s a really inspirational week... Plus, the food is incredible." - Benjamin Van Doren, White Plains, NY

Price, covered in full by Scholarship: $1,395. Cost includes all meals, housing, instruction and boat trips. Teens must arrange transportation to and from the Audubon dock in Bremen at the start and end of the session. Participants can be picked up and dropped off at Portland airport by Audubon staff for an additional fee of $100, but 14-year-olds cannot fly alone. A Camper must be able to be an independent minor (by airline definitions) on an aircraft to be picked up and dropped off independently.

Coastal Maine Bird Studies is for teens ages 14 to 17 with an avid interest in birds. Limit of 16 participants per session. This program requires physical and emotional maturity. Final acceptance in the program is contingent upon Hog Island staff review of application materials, which include recommendation letters and a series of questions to be completed by the teen.

For program specifics including session information, lodging or meals, contact the Audubon Camp program director at hogisland@audubon.org or (843) 340-8673, or visit the Hog Island website at https://hogisland.audubon.org/. Note: Due to airline restrictions, campers who are 14 years old cannot fly alone.

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Session 1 - June 14-20, 2020:

2020 Leaders
Joshua Potter, Teen Leader
Torri Withrow, Teen Leader
Raymond VanBuskirk, Birding Instructor, Owner and Guide of BRANT Tours

Guest Lecturer
Stephen Kress, Director, Seabird Restoration Program

Session 2 - June 21-26, 2020:

Director
Scott Weidensaul, Author and ornithologist

2020 Leaders
Joshua Potter, Teen Leader
Emma Rhodes, Teen Leader
Raymond VanBuskirk, Birding Instructor, Owner and Guide of BRANT Tours

Guest Lecturer
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