

All About Birds

Joan Collins will present “**All About Birds**”, a multimedia introduction to birding. Topics will include: songs and calls – why birds make sounds and how they create them, how we identify bird species, habitats of the North Country, fascinating behaviors - such as why the American Woodcock bobs and how a Common Loon swallows a foot-long fish, what birds eat, migration – why birds move, where they nest, birding ethics – how we balance our interest in seeing birds with their welfare, and conservation issues. The presentation utilizes audio recordings, videos of interesting bird behaviors, photographs, and PowerPoint slides.

Joan Collins, President of Adirondack Avian Expeditions & Workshops, LLC, leads birding trips year-round, is a New York State licensed guide, an Adirondack 46er, and has climbed all the Adirondack fire tower peaks. She is a past President of the New York State Ornithological Association and current Editor of *New York Birders*. She is a past Board of Directors member of the Audubon Council of New York State, and President of Northern New York Audubon Society. Joan has published several journal, magazine, and newspaper articles on wildlife and conservation topics in various publications including *Audubon*, *New York Birders*, *Conservationist*, *Adirondack Life Magazine*, *LOCALadk Magazine*, and *The Kingbird*. She authored several warbler species accounts, in addition to serving as a peer reviewer for *The Second Atlas of Breeding Birds in New York State*. Joan is a frequent keynote speaker and teaches classes on ornithology topics.

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