

2017-2018

# OIAS Membership Application

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SEND BY EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ How did you hear about OIAS? \_\_\_\_\_

Check Member Type:  \$18 Individual or Family  \$30 Contributing  
 \$100 Individual Life

My contribution to speaker fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Owashtanong Islands Audubon Society,  
Post Office Box 1654, Holland, Michigan, 49422



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*Owashtanong Islands  
Audubon Society  
Grand Haven, MI*

## Mission Statement:

Provide stewardship of local Grand River island wildlife sanctuaries owned by the Michigan Audubon Society;

Achieve through education, public recognition of the value and need for protecting and preserving wildlife, plants, soil, water and other natural resources, as well as an understanding of their interdependence;

Promote an interest in our native birds, as well as native flora, fauna, and their habitats because of their great economic, cultural and recreational value; and

Aid the Michigan Audubon Society in its study, conservation and research efforts.

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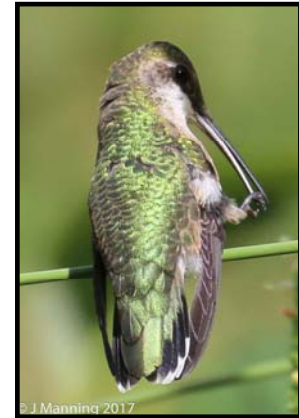
## *Owashtanong Islands Audubon Society*

*Grand Haven, MI*



## Benefits of membership in OIAS:

- ◆ Educational programs
- ◆ Fellowship with fellow birders
- ◆ Newsletter - 8 issues



Ruby-throated Hummingbird

OIAS meets at 7:00 PM  
third Tuesday  
September to May  
except December  
**Loutit District Library**  
407 Columbus Avenue  
Grand Haven, MI  
www.oias.org

# Owashtanong Islands Audubon Society

## 2017-2018 Programs

September 19: **A Congregation of Birds & Photo Poetry**

- Richard Havenga, Nature Photographer

October 17: **Things with Feathers that Migrate**

- Janet Hasselbring, Author and OIAS Member

November 21: **Current Conservation Research on Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake**

- Jennifer Moore, Assistant Professor at GVSU, Conservation Biologist and Molecular Ecologist

January 16: **Ephemeral Wildflowers: Remarkable Blooming Wonders of Spring**

- Carla Kocher, President, Conservation Outreach Solutions, LLC and OIAS Member

February 20: **Bird Taxidermy**

- Roger Tharp, OIAS Member

March 20: **Eastern Bluebirds in Michigan**

- Kathy Winnett-Murray, Professor of Biology, Hope College

April 17: **A Birder's Guide to Muskegon County**

- Ric Pedler & Charlie DeWitt, Muskegon Nature Club

May 15: 6:00: **Potluck, Annual Meeting, and Member Photos**

May 15: 7:00: **Feather Brained – My Bumbling Quest to Become a Birder and Find a Rare Bird on My Own**

- Bob Tarte, Author to talk about his latest book

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Owashtanong Islands Audubon Society, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, was formed April 2, 1992 to provide stewardship of land now known as Owashtanong Islands Sanctuary, consisting of 20 acres in Grand Haven Township. The Grand River was known as Owashtanong by the Ottawa, Chippewa and Pottawatomi Indian tribes. Owashtanong means “far flowing water”.

One island and part of another island comprise this sanctuary. It is part of a complement of islands and shoreline wetlands in the lower Grand River. Wetland birds nest and migrate through the area.

The preserve is located directly across from Eastern Grand River Park and is accessible only by boat.

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Eastern Bluebird  
Upper Macatawa Natural Area