

2016-2017

# 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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Receive  
by  
email

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



*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  
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Society*

*Grand Haven, MI*

## Benefits of membership in OIAS:

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



Yellow-billed Cuckoo Stu Visser Trail

OIAS meets at 7:00 PM  
third Tuesday  
September to May  
except December

**Parish Hall of St. John's  
Episcopal Church**

525 Washington, Grand Haven, MI

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## 2016-2017 Programs

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### September 20: **Those Amazing Birds**

- Ed Post, Nature Photographer

### October 18: **What's the Buzz about Bees**

- Anne Marie Fauvel, GVSU

### November 15: **A 1000-Mile Great Lakes Island Adventure**

- Loreen Niewenhuis, Author

### January 17: **How do birds do it?**

- Michael Lombardo, GVSU

### February 21: **Birds and Wine of Chile & Argentina and the Moai of Easter Island**

- Carl & Judi Manning, OIAS Members

### March 21: **Vernal Pools: Coral Reefs of Michigan's Forests?**

- Yu Man Lee, Michigan Natural Features Inventory

### April 18: **A Life List for Fishes of the Grand River**

- Daniel M. O'Keefe, Michigan Sea Grant/MSU Extension

### May 16: 6:00: **Potluck, Annual Meeting, and Member Photo Festival**

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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.

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

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American Avocet Holland State Park