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Be a Brilliant Bird Watcher Through Ocean County Library's Virtual Series *Images Included*

TOMS RIVER – Become acquainted with your feathered friends, find out how they live and learn how to help them survive during “Bird Watching Essentials,” a series of one-hour virtual programs on six consecutive Wednesdays beginning July 7.

New Jersey Audubon Society member Susan Puder, founder of the Southern Ocean Birding Group at Tuckerton Seaport, will share her knowledge as a wildlife photographer and environmental activist. *New Jersey Birds and Beyond* is her first published book.

Registration is open for all presentations in the series:

- **Birding 101** – 6:30 PM Wednesday, July 7. Learn birdwatching basics, evolution of the species, bird survival tactics, binoculars, scopes and apps.
- **Here They Come: Spring Migration** – 6:30 PM Wednesday, July 14. Find out why shorebirds and waterfowl travel from the Southern to Northern Hemisphere, and New Jersey's importance as a feeding grounds along the Atlantic Flyway.
- **Hey, What's That Bird?** – 6:30 PM Wednesday, July 21. Gain expertise in identifying the various types that settle in, and migrate through, New Jersey.
- **Raptors of New Jersey** – 6:30 PM Wednesday, July 28. Discover raptors from eagles to falcons, where they live, and the best places and times to see them.
- **Bird Photography** – 6:30 PM Wednesday, August 4. Elevate nature photography skills and gain understanding of the principles of flight for captivating images.
- **Birds of the Pine Barrens** – 6:30 PM Wednesday, August 11. See which songbirds, raptors and waterfowl dwell in the national reserve, and pinpoint the best birding hotspots in its 1.1 million acres.

Registration for each free program is required at www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events. Registrants will receive links by email to join the Zoom presentations.

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