

## WASHINGTON ISLANDS BIRDING FESTIVAL

Under the Auspices of The Art & Nature Center on Washington Island

To our birding friends: It is our goal to provide you with a great birding experience on the islands of Washington, Plum and Rock.

We urge you to make your lodging reservations as soon as possible as it can be tight this time of year. A list of open hotels, motels, inns, campground, etc. along with a list of open restaurants and the ferry schedule is available on the Washington Island Chamber of Commerce website:

[www.washingtonisland.com](http://www.washingtonisland.com)

The festival will be limited in size. We will accept 60 registrations and maintain a list in case of cancellations.

Check-in for the festival will be manned all day Friday and Saturday in the Rutledge room at the Community Center on Main Road. You may also check in at the Washington Hotel Friday evening. Those arriving late Friday night can check in at the Rutledge Room early Saturday morning.

We will do our best to stick to this schedule. Birding on the Islands goes rain or shine. You might also want to bring a scope if you have one, a chair for the big sits, insect repellent and of course, your binoculars. Please also be aware of the danger of ticks in some of the habitats you will be visiting. Proper clothing is a must. You might also want to bring some snacks to take with you on the birding outings.

Our boat trips to Rock and Plum Islands are weather and wind dependent. If you don't wish to join us on these excursions there will be alternative opportunities to bird on Washington Island. If the weather/wind/waves prevent us from taking our boat trips we will also offer alternate birding activities.

If you have any questions that are not covered in this registration material please contact Chari Rutledge at 920-847-2240 or [chari@therutledges.com](mailto:chari@therutledges.com)

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Washington Islands Birding Festival!!!

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Washington Island has been designated a "Bird City".