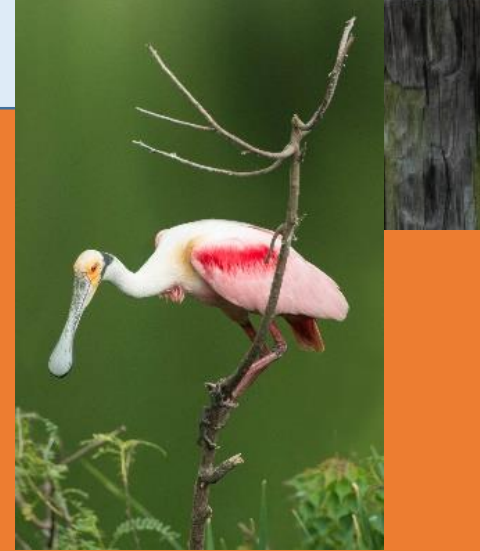


Speakers, Birding Tours, Kayak Tours, Palacios  
Parade Of Birds, Art Exhibit, Raptor Show  
Youth Art & Concert by Susan McDonald

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FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 17<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup> SECOND ANNUAL  
**MATAGORDA BAY BIRDFEST 2018**  
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## MBBF 2018 Schedule of Events

### Friday February 16

#### **Bird Tours\*\* 6:30 - 3:00**

**Tour No. 1 - Powderhorn Ranch**  
Meet at East Side Annex, 901 2nd Street

#### **Art Show 4:00 - 6:00 pm**

Isabelle Scurry Chapman - Original Artwork  
458 Main Street, Palacios

#### **The Spirit of the American Oystercatcher\***

7:00 - 8:30 pm Bird Fest Art Contest and  
Concert by Susan McDonald  
Fine Arts Bldg Palacios High School, 100 Shark Drive

### Saturday February 17

#### **Bird Tours\*\* 6:30 - 11:00 am**

Meet at East Side Annex, 901 2nd Street

#### **Tour No. 2 - Oyster Lake**

#### **Tour No. 3 - Western Roads**

#### **Kayak Tour\*\* 6:30 - 9:30 am**

**Palacios Prairie Wetlands**  
Meet at Grassy Point

#### **Lunch**

11:00 - 2:00 pm - Local Food Trucks  
Main Street, Palacios

#### **Palacios Parade of Birds\***

11:30 - 1:30 pm Starts at 7th and Main Streets  
Friends of Brazoria Raptor Display at  
parade route end - Luther Hotel Lawn

### Saturday February 17

#### **Youth Art Program & Vendors\***

2:00 -5:30 pm Gymnasium East Side Annex

#### **Speaker Sessions\* 2:00 - 5:00 pm**

East Side Annex, 901 Second Steet, Palacios

#### **2:00 -2:45 pm - Session 1**

Terry Blankenship

#### **Habitat Management for Grassland Birds**

David Dunham

#### **Crops for Cranes in Colorado**

Emma Shelly - GCBO

#### **Coastal and Marine Birds**

#### **3:00 -3:45 pm - Session 2**

Fred Beck

#### **Bird Photography Tips & Tricks**

Liz Smith-International Crane Foundation

#### **Whooping Cranes Along the Texas Coast**

Bill Balboa-Sea Grant & Susan Heath-GCBO

#### **American Oystercatchers & Their Habitat**

#### **4:00 -4:45 pm - Session 3**

David Newstead CBBEP Coastal Bird Program

#### **Rookeries on Texas' Mid Coast**

TBD

#### **Citizen Science in Action**

Joni Flores

#### **History of The Brown Pelican in Texas**

### Saturday February 17

#### **Dinner\*\***

**Speaker: Jim Blackburn**

**Guest Artist: Isabelle Scurry Chapman**

"A Collection of Verse and Vision"

Friends of the Outrigger Event Center

515 Commerce Center, Palacios

7:00 - 9:00 pm \$40/person

VIP Reception 6:00 pm 458 Main Street

### Sunday February 18

#### **Bird Tours\*\***

**Tour No. 4 - 6:30 - 11:00 am**

#### **The Nature Conservancy's Clive Runnels Mad**

#### **Island Marsh Preserve**

Meet at East Side Annex, 901 2nd Street

**Tour No. 5 - 6:30 - 11:00 am**

#### **TPW Mad Island Wildlife Management Area**

Meet at East Side Annex, 901 2nd Street

**Tour No. 6 - 7:30 - 9:30 am**

#### **Matagorda County Birding Nature Center**

Meet at tour site: 1025 TX-35, Bay City

#### **Kayak Tour\*\* 7:00 - 9:30 am**

Turtle Creek, Palacios

Meet at East Side Annex, 901 2nd Street

\*Free Attendance and Programs  
See Website

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\*\* Online Registration Required  
Bird Kayak tours limited to 15 people