



“SHOREBIRDS OF THE PARKER RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE” BY BILL GETTE

The Parker River NWR is one of the best places along the Atlantic Coast to view shorebirds. During the spring, many species of shorebirds stop briefly. They feed ravenously to accumulate fat reserves - the fuel the birds need to power their onward flights to northern breeding areas. Some species, including Willet and Killdeer, stop at the refuge to establish territories and breed. In the fall, most species take a more leisurely pace as they move through our area en route to southern wintering grounds.

Bill Gette, Founding Director of Mass Audubon’s Joppa Flats Education Center and refuge volunteer, will show his shorebird photographs, describe the many aids to field identification, discuss each species’ feeding strategy, and review the migration patterns of each species.



***September 6, 2018, Thursday, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Parker River NWR Headquarters Visitor Center Auditorium
6 Plum Island Turnpike, Newburyport, MA 01950***