



The Auspice

Pelee Island Bird Observatory



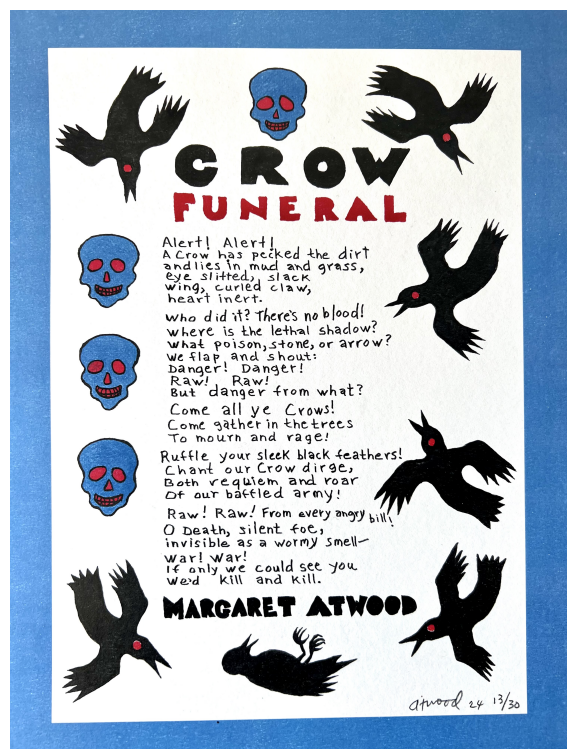
During June and July, PIBO's field survey focuses on local breeding birds. We have recently observed newly fledged Prothonotary Warblers, potential breeding territories of Red-headed Woodpeckers and Yellow-breasted Chats, as well as some marsh birds including Least Bitterns and King Rails. We have also identified a colony of Bank Swallows. Birding during the breeding season enables us to gain insights into local breeding species. While there is abundant information available in books and on websites, we believe that observing a nest provides invaluable knowledge. As the breeding stage progresses from nest building to egg incubation and feeding young, behaviours change. Each species has distinct vocal communication between parents and fledglings. Many backyard nesting birds leave their nesting site soon after their young have fledged, hiding them high up in trees or dense vegetation for several days. However, we will observe adult birds diligently collecting food while their hungry young follow closely. Regardless of size, different types of habitats in your backyard can support many different species of local breeding birds.



Watch a new short video created by PIBO's summer student, Sydney Cremasco. This six minute video follows PIBO's staff on a typical day conducting the Breeding Bird Atlas on Pelee Island.

Our annual online auction is coming to a close on **July 12 at 9 PM**. Check out all the unique items, including these amazing art works by Margaret Atwood and Long Branch Mosaics. All proceeds of the auction support our research and education programs.

Check out the auction [here](#)





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Proposal



- We are proposing to create an art installation on the CAW 2nd floor window (in front of the Alumni Auditorium) with the involvement of : the Sustainability Centre, Pelee Island Bird Observatory, Ornithology Club, Political Science Association, and other students of UWindsor.
- **Goal:** Reduce bird-window collisions on campus



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Integrative biology student Manpreet Bhachu won a \$250 prize for her design of a decal discouraging birds from colliding with windows.

Conservation and art unite to protect birds

Jul 10th, 2024

PIBO has been working with the University of Windsor Sustainability Centre since 2023 to create bird-friendly spaces on campus. With funding from the K.M Hunter Foundation and the Work to Grow grant, PIBO hired an Engineering student in late 2023 to assess the windows on campus for bird collisions. This research determined that the CAW student centre's second-floor balcony was deadly for bird collisions. After much effort by the staff and volunteers at the UWIN Sustainability Centre, approval was granted to create a bird-safe design for this window. Integrative Biology student Manpreet Bhachu provided the winning design, and efforts are underway to install a decal of her creation on the nine-panel window. We look forward to seeing the new design and continuing our partnership with the University of Windsor to create more bird-safe spaces.

To read the full article on the University of Windsor Daily News, [click here](#)



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A big thank you to everyone who donated and shared our posts for our June fundraiser, the Great Canadian Giving Challenge. Together we raised over \$6,000

for our research and education programs!

Support the work of the Pelee Island Bird Observatory, monitoring birds where two major migration flyways converge— a flight path for millions!

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