



BIRD STUDIES
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**LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY'S
DOUG TARRY YOUNG ORNITHOLOGISTS' WORKSHOP
(August 6 to 14, 2016)**

Deadline: Applications are due 30 April 2016

The Doug Tarry Young Ornithologists' Workshop (YOW) is a ten day ornithological and natural history immersion experience at Long Point Bird Observatory designed to foster the interests and development of ornithology in Canadian teenagers. Thanks to the foresight and generosity of humanitarian and naturalist Doug Tarry, the workshop is free for selected participants.

The workshop is a major component of the observatory's education program that has kick-started the careers of many of Canada's most talented field biologists. Since its inception in the 1975, over 150 youth have been through the YOW.

The workshop focuses on "hands-on" learning and training in field ornithology. It provides a unique opportunity for like-minded teenagers to enhance their knowledge and skills in the scientific study and aesthetic enjoyment of birds. Participants learn how to identify, age and sex birds, and how scientists study populations and behaviour. Careful and skilled instructors teach bird handling and banding techniques, how to prepare specimens for scientific study and bird monitoring techniques. Regularly scheduled afternoon field trips to places of biological interest within the Long Point World Biosphere Reserve introduce participants to the flora and fauna of the region. Evening programs include data compilation, presentations and nocturnal fieldwork.

Space is limited to six participants, ranging in age from 13-17 years old. The Award covers all direct costs of the workshop (accommodation, meals, travel while at Long Point, and professional instruction). Recipients are responsible for their own transportation to and from Long Point, though a small travel grant may be available. Prospective participants are invited to download and complete the application form (www.birdscanada.org/lpbo). Completed applications should be sent to the Doug Tarry Bird Study Awards - Long Point Bird Observatory, P.O. Box 160, Port Rowan, Ontario NOE 1M0 (fax 519-586-3532), E-mail: lpbo@birdscanada.org , by **30 April 2016**.

SAMPLE ADVERTISEMENT:

ATTENTION PARENTS AND KEEN TEEN BIRDERS!

The Long Point Bird Observatory is looking for keen teen birders to apply for the 2016 Doug Tarry Natural History Fund - Young Ornithologist Workshop to be held from August 6 to 14, 2016. Participants will receive hands-on training in field ornithology including bird banding, monitoring, field identification, birding trips, preparing museum specimens, guest lectures, and more! Six of Canada's most promising ornithologists between the ages of 13-17 will be selected to attend, and will receive the Doug Tarry Bird Study Award to cover all on-site expenses. Applications are due April 30, 2016. For more information and an application form visit www.birdscanada.org/lpbo, or contact lpbo@birdscanada.org.