

2020 Cerulean Warbler Weekend Schedule

**Festival Headquarters — Otis Farm Bird Sanctuary
3560 Havens Rd., Hastings MI 49058**

Friday, May 29

4:30–6 p.m. | Event check-in and information open at festival headquarters

5–7 p.m. | Birding Otis Farm

This birding hike will take you on the trails of the Otis Farm Bird Sanctuary. Habitats include wetlands, pine forests, hardwood forests, and grasslands. Possible species include cuckoos, Brown Creeper, Eastern Bluebird, and many more. **Tour Rating: Easy to Moderate**

Saturday, May 30

6:30–10 a.m. | Event check-in and information open at festival headquarters

Coffee and light snacks will be available.

7–9 a.m. | Birding Otis Farm

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8–11 a.m. | Cerulean Warbler & Flycatcher Tour

This is a carpool caravan to several Cerulean Warbler nesting territories within the Barry State Game Area. Other possible species include Least, Willow, Acadian, and Alder Flycatchers, Scarlet Tanager, Tufted Titmouse, Blue-headed Vireo, Eastern Towhee, Hooded Warbler, and deciduous forest species. **Tour rating: Easy**

9 a.m.–12 p.m. | Cerulean Warbler & Flycatcher Tour

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12–1 p.m. | Lunch

Join Michigan Audubon staff, volunteers, and your fellow birders for a refreshing outdoor lunch. Lunch is included with registration.

12:30–1:30 p.m. | Presentation: Otis Farm Bird Sanctuary

Join Resident Manager Sarah Nelson to learn more about the history, conservation work, and species found at Otis Farm Bird Sanctuary.

6–8 p.m. | Dinner With Birders

Join your fellow participants for dinner in Hastings at the Seasonal Grille. Dinner cost is not included with registration.

8:30–10 p.m. | Guided Chimney Swift Viewing

A 5-inch long “flying cigar” with wings, Chimney Swifts are a fascinating species that is dependent upon human structures for their breeding and migration habits. Unmated swifts roost together in the summer, sometimes in large groups. Join us to see a roost at the Barry County Friend of the Court building and learn more about Chimney Swifts. **Tour rating: Easy**

Sunday, May 31

8:30–9 a.m. | Event check-in and information open at festival headquarters

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