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The Basics of Birding

Brighton, MI – January 19, 2024 – Every great birder had to start somewhere and this program is a great place to start birding for the first time or to learn a few extra tips to go from beginner to the next level. Join us at the Brighton District Library on Thursday, January 25 from 7:00-8:00pm to get started. This program includes a brief overview on the basics of bird identification, how to use a birding field guide as well as how to use binoculars. Presented by Laurel Zoet of Brighton's Wild Birds Unlimited.

Laurel Zoet has worked as a naturalist and educator for almost 20 years. Her resume includes time working for the Michigan DNR, Huron-Clinton Metroparks, West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation, and non-profit nature centers. In 2013 she started her own freelance nature education business called Nature on the GO! LLC in order to travel throughout the state of Michigan teaching about Michigan wildlife and ecology at schools, libraries, scout troops, and senior living facilities. In March of 2017 Laurel and her husband Mitch opened the Wild Birds Unlimited nature shop at the Green Oak Village Place Mall in Brighton as a way to connect people to nature through the hobby of backyard bird feeding. Laurel regularly teaches in-store nature education programs every month while also offering community outreach programs to local garden clubs, churches, libraries, Audubon groups, and more. You can visit Wild Birds Unlimited at 9610 Village Place Boulevard in Brighton or their website <https://brighton.wbu.com/>

Visit the Brighton District Library on Thursday, January 25, from 7:00-8:00pm to get started on your own birding journey. Register at bit.ly/bdlbirding/ Call 810-229-6571 for more information. The Brighton District Library is located at 100 Library Drive, Brighton, MI 48116.