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NJMC Flyway Gallery Hosts Exhibition Of Images From “The Nature of the Meadowlands” During May and June

LYNDHURST, N.J. – Stunning nature photography and seldom-seen archival images from the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission (NJMC) coffee-table book, “The Nature of the Meadowlands,” will be on display in the Meadowlands Environment Center’s Flyway Gallery from Friday, May 16, through Friday, June 27. A reception is scheduled for Sunday, June 1, from noon to 2 p.m.

“The Meadowlands Commission is pleased to host an exhibit of works from our book, “The Nature of the Meadowlands,” a treasure trove of images that capture the region’s incredible environmental comeback,” said Marcia Karrow, Executive Director of the NJMC. “With the Meadowlands recently being named as one of the top spring birding sites in the State by nj.com, and with its recognition as a birding hotspot by the national publication, “Birder’s World” Magazine, the book is the perfect complement to visiting our parks and natural areas.”

The show will feature images by the three principal photographers for the book – Ron Shields, Marco Van Brabant and the NJMC’s Jim Wright – as well as illustrator Thomas Yezerski and several other North Jersey photographers. Archival images from the acclaimed book will be on view as well – including one of the last days of a Secaucus pig farm. The June 1 reception will be preceded by a two-hour nature walk beginning at 10 a.m. in DeKorte Park in Lyndhurst, the home of the NJMC and the Flyway Gallery.

“The Nature of the Meadowlands,” published by Schiffer Books, was written by Wright, an NJMC staffer who also keeps the Commission’s nature blog, meadowblog.net. The gallery exhibit will include photos of Bald Eagles and Northern Harriers, beautiful aerial shots and marshscapes, and much, much more.

Here’s what the Star-Ledger had to say about “The Nature of the Meadowlands”: “In this glorious book of text and photographs, Jim Wright ... tells the story of a miraculous rebirth of nature in a setting that once stood for all that was wrong about our attitudes toward the environment.”

Other nature photographers featured in the exhibit include Regina Geoghan, Dennis Cheeseman, Jeff Nicol and Sandy Sorkin. Joe McKay and Secaucus historian Dan McDonough provided archival images from the book.

The Flyway Gallery, located in the Meadowlands Environment Center in DeKorte Park in Lyndhurst, is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding holidays.

Directions to DeKorte Park can be found in the “About Us” section of the NJMC’s website, at www.njmeadowlands.gov, or by calling 201-777-2431.

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