

Environmental Studies On The Piedmont  
and  
The Bull Run Mountains Conservancy  
Invite you to

## An Evening with the Woodcocks

**Saturday, March 3**  
**5:00 pm - 8:00 pm**



See the American Woodcock's delightful aerobic courtship display, while you quietly sit on a grassy hillside to listen and watch them soar in the gathering twilight. The display period lasts about a half an hour and ends as suddenly as it begins.

Many people are unaware of the presence of the relatively common American Woodcock (*Scolopax minor*), because it is extremely secretive as well as crepuscular (active at dawn and dusk). The Woodcock which some think resembles a sandpiper in appearance, is actually a shorebird that moved upland, but never lost the open space requirement for courtship and breeding.

After listening to a short talk in the farmhouse about these secretive birds, we will quietly hike up to the high fields in search of these elusive birds. After our hike, join us in the farmhouse for snacks and stories. Your donation helps to defray our costs.

**\$5 donation requested - \$10 for families.**

- \*\* You might want to bring binoculars, camera, a camp stool or mat to sit on.
- \*\* Because it is vital to observe quietly, requiring relatively long periods of silence and inactivity, we are so sorry that this event is not suitable for very young children.

**Limited availability -- so please call or email for reservations!**

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