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Ian Stewart is the staff ornithologist at the Delaware Nature Society.

He conducts public bird banding sessions and gives presentations to audiences of all ages about all aspects of bird biology (winter behavior, migration, breeding behavior). He is currently involved in a project attaching radiotransmitters to Purple Martins in the mid-Atlantic and tracking their movements using the Motus network. He recognizes the value of social media and alternative learning formats and enjoys writing blogs and creating nature videos for the Nature Society. He is currently working on conservation projects including how our society's land management is affecting biodiversity, as well as how alien plant removal impacts nesting birds in our area.

He teaches introductory biology as an adjunct and enjoys helping students see the links between biology and their everyday lives, stimulating an interest in the natural world around them. Outside of work he enjoys photography, gardening, hiking, and spending time with his family.

When asked by an interviewer, what was his proudest achievement, Stewart replied: "Writing the bird chapter in the handbook for the Delaware Master Naturalist program offered in partnership with the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension. I am also proud of being part of a great team. All of us at Delaware Nature Society care a lot about preserving the natural world and making it a better place for everyone."