



WHERE HAVE ALL THE SWALLOWS GONE?

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Over the past 40 years, Breeding Bird Surveys have documented severe and widespread declines among species of aerial insectivores (birds that feed in flight on flying insects). The cause of this decline is unknown, but two likely drivers include changes in the availability of aerial insects during the breeding season, and/or changes in conditions on the wintering grounds and migration routes. Imlay's research focuses on understanding how these potential drivers have impacted four species of swallows that breed in the Maritimes.

Imlay discovered her passion for biodiversity conservation while completing her BSc in Zoology at the University of Guelph. The 20th recipient of the Canadian New Noah training program, Imlay received a course in Endangered Species Recovery at the International Training Centre of the Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust, and an internship in Mauritius, working with some of the world's rarest species.



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