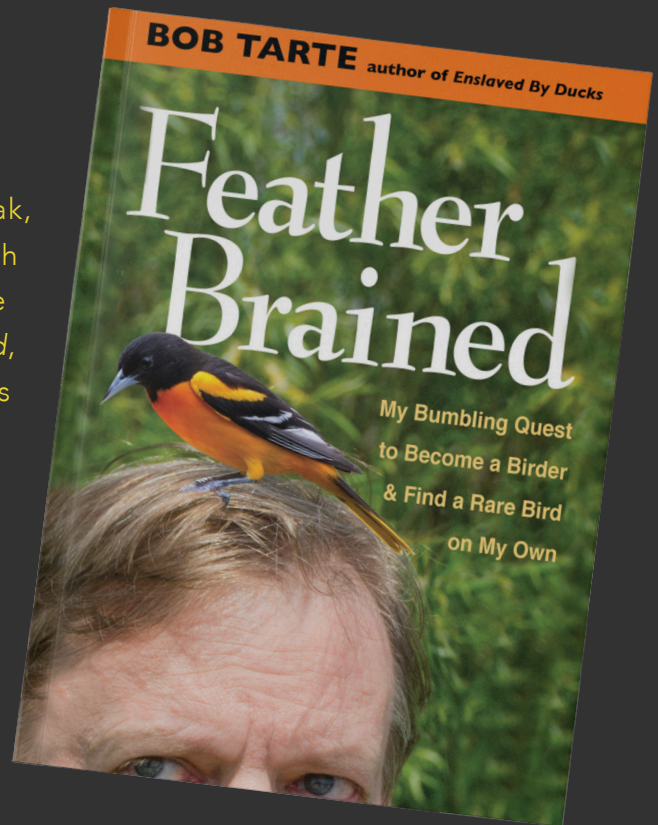


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NOTABLE BOOKS

Author Visit with Bob Tarte

Saturday, May 6th 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Come and meet Bob Tarte, Author of 2017 Michigan Noteable Book *Feather Brained: My Bumbling Quest to Become a Birder and Find a Rare Bird on My Own* (University of Michigan Press, 2016). Lured by a Rose-breasted Grosbeak, humorist Bob Tarte developed a fascination with birds. Like many before him, he quickly became obsessed with bird spotting. In *Feather Brained*, Tarte offers readers a droll look at the pleasures and pitfalls he encounters and introduces a colorful cast of fellow birders from across the country. This overly honest account will feel familiar to any birder or to anyone who knows and loves a birder.



Bob Tarte and his wife Linda live on the edge of the countryside near the West Michigan village of Lowell. When not fending off mosquitos during temperate months and chipping ice out of plastic wading pools in the frigid winter, Bob writes the Technobeat world music column for The Beat magazine which he has done since 1988. He has also written for The New York Times, The Boston Globe, The Miami New Times, the Whole Earth Review, Fortean Times, Monitoring Times, and other publications. He is also the author of *Enslaved by Ducks*, *Fowl Weather*, and *Kitty Cornered*.