



FRIDAY ENVIRONMENT FORUM

NPA Environment Centre

18 August

Bird Courtship Behaviours

This week at Friday Forum – 18 August: This week's guest speaker, *Adrian Caneris* will take us on a captivating journey into the many ways in which birds find partners and reproduce.



Black-faced Monarch

The ultimate purpose of bird courtship is to attract a receptive mate. Understanding bird courtship and rituals can help us all appreciate our feathered friends better.

Through the variety of approaches, and associated challenges that birds face in their efforts to discover, attract and ultimately win the affection of suitable mates.

From elaborate mating dances, crazy poses, soulful songs through to decorative nests and other enticements there is many different means by which these 'chickens' get to ultimately lay their eggs.

From the intricate synchronised moves of a mating dance to the charming songs used to woo partner's helps distinguish compatible partners. Different courtship behaviours also display important qualities such as strength, health, stamina and of course mating desirability. This allows birds to choose the best partners to result in viable, healthy offspring.

*Come along to Noosa Parks Association Friday Forum on **August 18** to see and hear about the fascinating ways in which birds find courtship, mating partners and ultimately have some wild sex. Coffee and a chat are on offer from 10am. Forum ends 12:15pm. For those interested in an interpretive birding walk before the forum, meet Valda in the Environment Centre car park at 8.30am.*

All welcome.



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