

Presentations showcasing the natural and simplistic beauty of Maine

From living in a lighthouse on the Maine coast to a log cabin in the Maine woods, Lee Ann and Tom Szelog have experienced life in 2 quintessential Maine homes. They share their extraordinary adventures and knowledge of Maine's lighthouses, nature and wildlife to entertain, inspire and introduce audiences to Maine's simple and remarkable beauty.

Presentation Options:

Our Point of View - Witness the extraordinary events, people, wildlife, storms and the changing seasons as you are transported to the edge of the continent to experience life in an authentic and operating Maine lighthouse. Based on the Szelog's book, *Our Point of View—Fourteen Years at a Maine Lighthouse*.

By a Maine River - Discover the natural beauty found within our own backyards through interesting, surprising, beautiful, and memorable wildlife and nature photographs and stories. An unusual visual journal, a personal almanac, a keepsake unique to Maine. Based on the Szelog's book, *By a Maine River—A Year of Looking Closely*.

Wild by Nature - This unique and inspiring presentation will take you on an extraordinary journey on the wild side. Through this multi-media presentation your audience will explore the Maine woods, and coast, from a typical backyard to Maine's great north woods through the Szelog's stories and photographs.





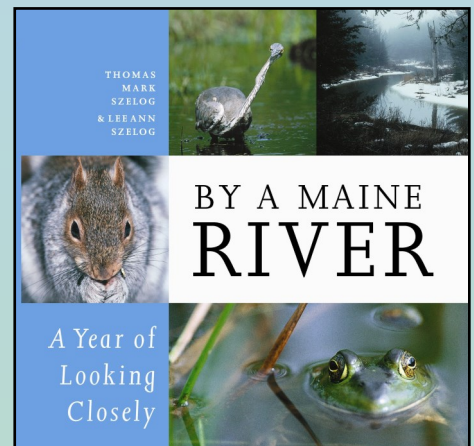
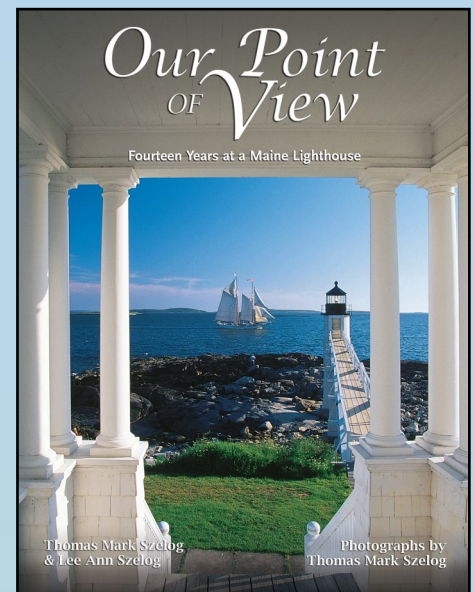
Tom's time is managed by Mother Nature. As a youngster, he walked the banks of the Merrimack River in Manchester, New Hampshire writing personal journals about wildlife encounters. These early childhood experiences inspired him to become a wildlife photographer. As a full-time professional photographer for 30 years, he specializes in photographing wildlife, nature, and landscapes for the editorial, corporate and fine art markets. He has earned the reputation and is often described as *"one of Maine's most renowned wildlife photographers,"* and is a recipient of the

Philip Hyde Award, presented annually to a photographer who is working to preserve the condition of the natural environment through the art of photography.

When Lee met Tom in 1987 she raced through each day on auto pilot. As they dated, Lee learned more about his photography, his subjects and the environment in which she lives every day. She learned to observe and appreciate her natural surroundings, and most importantly, take the time to value it. By doing so, she discovered a new world and career path, after a 28 year career as a marketing and training executive. In 2008 she founded *Simply Put, LLC*, specializing in presentations and programs to help people live life rather than react to it by providing a refreshing focus on subjects including attitude, human relations, collaboration, and wellness (of our planet and ourselves).

From living in a lighthouse on the Maine coast to a log cabin in the Maine woods, Tom and Lee have documented life, human and wild, in 2 books. The first, the multi-award-winning book, *Our Point of View-Fourteen Years at a Maine Lighthouse*, featuring Marshall Point Lighthouse in Port Clyde, Maine. The second, *By a Maine River - A Year of Looking Closely*, explores the natural beauty found in their own backyard in Whitefield, Maine and inspires people to consider wildlife conservation, beginning in their own backyards.

As passionate advocates for wildlife conservation, Tom and Lee are dedicated to sharing their words and photographs in narrated photography presentations and books to educate and inspire people about the important role our natural world plays in our lives.



"I was especially taken with the intimate relationship Lee and Tom quickly developed with the audience." Michael Culver, Ogunquit Art Museum

"Your presentation was moving, thoughtful, and left me wanting more; I have never listened to a presentation, and felt such emotions from one end of the spectrum to the other." Diane Marion, audience participant

"Our patrons loved the stories and were wowed by the photos." Ben Blackmon, Library Director, Rockport Public Library

"I have heard RAVE reviews - the residents thought Lee and Tom were terrific!" Juanita Taylor, Resident Services Director, Dirigo Pines Retirement Community

The Szelogs have been profiled by the following:

- CBS Sunday Morning News, New York, NY
- Country Living Magazine
- New England Cable News Network, Boston, MA
- WCVB -TV Chronicles, Boston, MA
- WCSH, WLBZ, WABI, WVII, WGME -TV, Maine

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