

Program Schedule

8:00 - 8:30 A.M.

REGISTRATION

8:30 - 8:45 A.M.

Welcome

Clinton Dexter-Nienhaus, MEd, Head Naturalist, Friends of Sax-Zim Bog

8:45 - 9:15 A.M.

The Dramatic Evolution of Birds in Madagascar

Sushma Reddy, PhD, Associate Professor, Curator of Birds, Bell Museum of Natural History, University of Minnesota

9:15 - 9:45 A.M.

Improving Our Knowledge of Natal Origins and Dispersal Patterns for Raptors Banded at Hawk Ridge

Emily Pavlovic, Graduate Student, University of Minnesota-Duluth

9:45 - 10:15 A.M.

Using Technology to Understand the Post-breeding Ecology of American Woodcock

Josh Bednar, Senior Research Staff Scientist, Avian Ecologist, NRRI, University of Minnesota-Duluth

10:15 - 10:45 A.M.

BREAK

10:45 - 11:15 A.M.

The Raptor Center: Where We Are Today and Plans for Tomorrow

Victoria Hall, Executive Director, The Raptor Center, University of Minnesota

11:15 - 11:45 A.M.

Global Diversification of the Wrens, Gnatcatchers and Allies (Superfamily Certhioidea)

Keith Barker, PhD, Associate Professor, Ecology, Evolution & Behavior, Curator of Genetic Resources, Bell Museum of Natural History, University of Minnesota; Tyler Imfeld, PhD, Assistant Professor, Biology, Regis University, Denver

11:45 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

Migration Partners Program: Connecting Community of Birders from Honduras to Minnesota

Wilmer Fernandez, Board Member, Audubon Chapter of Minneapolis; Rosely Juárez, Researcher, Zamorano Biodiversity Center, Honduras

12:15 - 1:00 P.M.

LUNCH

1:00 - 1:30 P.M.

MOU Business Meeting and Awards

1:30 - 2:00 P.M.

Flying Under the Radar: Barn Owls in Minnesota

Karla Bloem, Executive Director, International Owl Center, Houston, MN

2:00 - 2:30 P.M.

Survey and Monitoring of Insects in Minnesota

Jessica Petersen, PhD, Invertebrate Ecologist, Minnesota DNR

2:30 - 3:00 P.M.

BREAK

3:00 - 3:30 P.M.

Avian Responses to Rush Hour Traffic in Park Reserves Northwest of the Twin Cities

Erika Swanson, Undergraduate Student, Bethel University

3:30 - 3:50 P.M.

Three Rivers Park District 2022 Big Year of Birds

John Moriarty, Senior Manager of Wildlife, Three Rivers Park District

3:50 - 4:10 P.M.

Bell Museum Seeing Birds Exhibition

Hannah Baines, Director of Development, Bell Museum of Natural History, University of Minnesota

4:10 P.M.

Closing Remarks