



WILLAMETTE VALLEY BIRD SYMPOSIUM

The Willamette Valley Bird Symposium is a day-long event that brings together professionals, students, and amateurs to celebrate birds. This comes from a recognition that the scientific study of birds and their conservation benefits from having shared conversations between members of these groups. All members of the symposium production team are volunteers who collectively donate hundreds of hours to make the symposium possible each year.

January 29, 2022

(NOTE: All times Pacific Standard Time)

- 9:00-9:10** **Introduction to the Willamette Valley Bird Symposium**
Welcome from the WVBS: JALYN DEVEREAUX, PhD Student, Department of Integrative Biology, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon
- 9:10-10:10** **Plenary 1: “From Denali to Yellowstone: How humans influence birds in our National Parks”**
DR. JOHN MARZLUFF, James W. Ridgeway Professor of Wildlife Science, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington
- 10:10-10:15** **Break**
- 10:15-11:30** **Oral presentations, morning session**
- 10:15** **Yellow Rails in the West**
JEREMY WELCH, Wildlife Refuge Specialist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Chiloquin, Oregon.
KENNETH POPPER, Wildlife Biologist and Planner, Portland, Oregon.
MICHAEL GREEN, Deputy Chief, USFWS - Migratory Birds and Habitat Program, Portland, Oregon
- 10:30** **Chasing a Nomad: Red Crossbills of the Pacific Northwest**

JESSICA KARR, *PhD Student, Department of Integrative Biology, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon*

10:45 Changes in Northern Pygmy-Owl Behavior and Prey Response

MADELEINE SCOTT, *Masters Student (defended), Department of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon*

11:00 ‘Novel’ tree nests outperform traditional cliff nests in the recovering Bonelli’s Eagle of Spain: A cautionary tale in describing the habitat of a threatened species

RYAN BAUMBUSCH, *PhD Candidate, Department of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon; Doñana Biological Station, Seville, Spain*

11:15 Lower 48 Big Year2020: Birds, pandemic, and record breaking

JEREMY DOMINGUEZ, *Birder and Naturalist, Salem, Massachusetts*

11:30-12:00 Lunch

12:00-12:30 Raptor Virtual Encounter with Chintimini Wildlife Center

12:30-12:45 Utilizing Falconers to Improve Patient Recovery in Wildlife Rehabilitation

DR. CLAIRE PETERSON, *Wildlife Veterinarian, Chintimini Wildlife Center, Lewisburg, Oregon*

12:45-1:45 Plenary 2: “The Art of Conservation: Science Communication and Design”

SARA WOLMAN, *Naturalist, Designer, Illustrator, Fairbanks, Alaska*

1:45-1:50 Break

1:50-2:50 Oral presentations, afternoon session

1:50 Atlantic Puffins in the Gulf of Maine: Their restoration and what research can tell us about their future

WILL KENNERLEY, *Masters Student, Department of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Sciences, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon*

2:05 Effects of capture and handling on nest defense behavior in the house wren

VALERIE BREWER, *PhD Student, Department of Integrative Biology, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon*

2:20 The status of Coastal Snowy Plovers in Oregon

ERICA KRYGSMAN, *Masters Student, Portland State University, Portland, Oregon.*

DANIEL FARRAR, *Snowy Plover Biologist, Oregon Biodiversity Information Center, Portland State University, Portland, Oregon*

2:35 Birding in the Southwest: Stories of the Willow Flycatcher and Yellow-billed Cuckoo

JALYN DEVEREAUX, *PhD Student, Department of Integrative Biology, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon*

2:50-2:55 **Break**

2:55-3:55 **Plenary 3: “From city spaces to rural places: conserving birds where we live and work”**
DR. LIBA PEJCHAR *Professor, Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, Colorado*

3:55-4:00 **Closing remarks**
Closing remarks from the WVBS: CARA CHRISTENSEN, Masters Student, Department of Animal and Rangeland Sciences, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon