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MARCH 19—22, 2018
THE NEW PROVIDENCE BALL ROOM
BAHA MAR CONVENTION CENTER

Monday 19th	Salon 4		Salon 3	Salon 2
	Topic		Sessions	Sessions
8:00	Registration			
9:00	Botany	Ingeria Miller: Bahamas seed bank	Conch Clinic	
9:20		Ethan Freid: Vascular plant conservation	Introduction Speakers	
9:40		Brett Jestrow: <i>Coccothrinax</i> genetics		
10:00		Mark Daniels: Floristic study of a former land bridge		
10:20		Shelley Cant: Invasive plants and polyploidy		
10:40	Break			
11:00	Herps	Graham Reynolds: Reptile diversity in The Bahamas	The Current Situation Presentations	Presentation for Primary School Students "Meet A Scientist"
11:20		John Iverson: Gigantism in Bahamian rock iguanas		
11:40		Scott Johnson: Bahamian racer sexual dimorphism		
12:00		Susannah French: Variability in iguanas		
12:20		Kaitlin Brittain: <i>Anolis</i> parasites		
12:40		Blair Hedges: CaribHerp		
1:00	Lunch			
1:20				
1:40				
2:00	Terrestrial inverts	Paul DeLuca: "Hidden" value of habitat preservation	The Current Situation Presentations	Protected areas as a tool for disaster risk reduction in the Caribbean
2:20		Melanie DeVore: Children, conservation, and soldier crabs		
2:40		Tami LaPilusa: Land crab research		
3:00	Birds I	Liz Guinessey: North American shore birds in The Bahamas	Fisherman's Perspective Panel	
3:20		Michael Akresh: Migratory birds of San Salvador		
3:40	Break			
4:00	Birds II	Maya Wilson: Bahama Swallows	Management Options Review	Protected areas as a tool for disaster risk reduction in the Caribbean
4:20		Caroline Stahala: Social nesting in Bahama Parrots	White Paper Discussion	
4:40		Caroline Stahala: Predator control for Bahama Parrot conservation		
5:00		Kevin Omland: Bahama Orioles and pine forests	Introduction to IDB Pilot Program	
6:00—9:00	Welcome Ceremony			

Tuesday 20th	Salon 4		Salon 3	Salon 2
9:00	Invasive species	Joseph Wasilewski: Management of green iguanas		
9:20		Janeen Bullard: Controlling cane toads		
9:40		Daniel Kjar: Long-horned crazy ant		
10:00	Physical sciences	Jacklyn Chisholm: Salinity fluctuations around New Providence	Flats Ecology Symposia Aaron Adams: Bahamas Initiative Overview	
10:20		Alexandra Weot: Sediment analysis of Uncle Charlie's blue hole	Justin Lewis: Bonefish mark-recapture	
10:40		Eric Kjellmark: Sediment analysis from lake in Fresh Creek	Cameron Luck: Bonefish Spawning Site Identification	
11:00	Break			
11:20	Changing climates	Kathleen Sullivan: Coastal erosion by hurricanes	Aaron Adams: Bonefish larval transport	
11:40		William Hayes: Effects of hurricanes on iguanas and seabirds	Lucas Griffin: Spatial Ecology of Tarpon and Permit	
12:00		Andrew Moxey: Hurricanes impact on pine forests	Jake Brownscombe: Bonefish spatial ecology	
12:20		Frank Rivera-Milan: Inagua Parrot population assessment	Tom Karrow: Collecting fishers ecological knowledge	
12:40		Kendria Ferguson: Ecosystem-based adaptation	Erin Cash: Conch middens	
1:00	Lunch			
1:20				
1:40				
2:00		Dr. J. Drew Lanham Alumni Distinguished Professor of Wildlife Ecology Clemson University Keynote Speaker	Walker Golder: Importance of The Bahamas to migratory shorebirds	
2:20			Clint Kemp: Bahamas flats fishing regulations	
2:40		Student series	Rob Neher: Importance of recreational bonefishing to The Bahamas	
3:00			Tony Fedler: Flats Fishing Economics	
3:20	Break			
3:40		Student series	Justin Lewis: Citizen Science	
4:00			Jewel Thompson: Flats Ecosystem education curriculum	
4:20			Jake Brownscombe: Best Catch and Release practices for Bonefish	
4:40			Elizabeth Wallace: Bonefish spawning ground connectivity	
5:00 until	Bonefish & Tarpon Trust Social			

Wednesday 21st	Salon 4		Salon 3	Salon 2
9:00	The Human Element I	Pachancia Knowles: Baha Mar Explorer Kids Program	Roundtable on the Amendment to the Protected Tree Order Listing	Closed for Private Session
9:20		Elaine Powers: Using children's books to educate		
9:40		Trueranda Cox: Bridging between conservation and education		
10:00		Nikita Shiel-Rolle: Marine citizenship in SIDS		
10:20		Amelia Moore: Fostering cultures of coral		
10:40	Break			
11:00	The Human Element II	David Campbell: Re-wilding The Bahamas	Roundtable on the Amendment to the Protected Tree Order Listing	Closed for Private Session
11:20		Liz Guinessey: Bird-based tourism		
11:40		Lashanti Jupp: The next 10% of MPAs: Stakeholder involvement		
12:00		Stephen Connett: Bahamas fisheries enforcement workshops		
12:20	Lunch			
12:40	Lunch			
1:00	Lunch			
1:20	Wetlands	Heather Masonjones: Sea horses of Sweeting's Pond	Roundtable on the Amendment to the Protected Tree Order Listing	What's in your Fisheries Management Toolbox?
1:40		Lindy Knowles: Assessment of Savannah Sound		
2:00	Poster session			
2:20				
2:40				
3:00	Break			
3:20				
3:40				
4:00	Feature Film An Ocean Mystery: The Missing Catch		Reversing the Decline of Bahamian Coral Reefs	
4:20			Sea Turtle Network	
4:40				
5:00				
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6:00				
6:30 - 8:00	Guest Lecturer Evening			

Thursday 22nd	Salon 4		Salon 3	Salon 2
9:00		Matthew Rand, Director, Global Ocean Legacy at the Pew Charitable Trusts		
9:20				
9:40	Fisheries I	Eric Schneider: Stone crab claw removal	Sustainable financing workshop	San Salvador terrestrial conservation meeting
10:00		Andrew Kough: Conch and MPAs		
10:20		Deborah Freile: Juvenile conch predation		
10:40		Enie Hensel: Factors of fish community control		
11:00	Break			
11:20	Fisheries II	Lester Gittens: Effect of casitas on Spiny Lobster	Sustainable financing workshop	Managing invasive reptile species in The Bahamas
11:40		Karlisa Callwood: Interdisciplinary approach to lobster fishery		
12:00		Krista Sherman: Genetics of Bahamian Nassau Grouper		
12:20	Lunch			
12:40	Lunch			
1:00	Lunch			
1:20	Marine Resources	Craig Dahlgren: Parrotfish & coral reefs	Sustainable financing workshop	Reddish egrets monitoring workshop
1:40		Karlisa Callwood: Parrotfish fishery in The Bahamas		
2:00		Charlotte Dunn: Bahamian sperm whales		
2:20		Diane Claridge: Shipping traffic effects on sperm whales		
2:40		Nathan Robinson: Drones and coastal conservation		
3:00	Break			
3:20	Elasmobranchs	Brendan Talwar: Measuring impacts of shark sanctuary		Reddish egrets monitoring workshop
3:40		Gina Clementi: Elasmobranch abundance and diversity		
4:00		Dean Grubbs: Sawfish and national parks		
4:20		Owen O'Shea: Management of a cryptic stingray		
4:40		Bautisse Postaire: Lemon shark assessment and genetics		
5:00	Vote of Thanks			
6:00—9:00	Closing Ceremony			