

	Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	
	Cedars: Plenary Sessions All Day		Cedars I	Cedars III	Cedars I	Cedars III
7:00 - 7:15	<b>Morning Wildlife Viewing / Breakfast</b>	7:00 - 7:15	<b>Morning Wildlife Viewing / Breakfast</b>		7:00 - 7:15	<b>Morning Wildlife Viewing / Breakfast</b>
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8:30 - 8:45	Welcome and Main Introductions	8:30 - 8:45	A Charm of Cognition: Sensory-friendly pop-up nature trail	Nature pays off: Using partnerships and gamification to drive nature tourism experiences	8:30 - 8:45	Something worth crowing about: Anthropogenic debris in avian nests at the Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve
8:45 - 9:00		8:45 - 9:00			8:45 - 9:00	
9:00 - 9:15	Whale watching in the Salish Sea: Leveraging public, private, and nonprofit strengths to expand access to opportunity, education, and conservation of endangered orcas and marine life	9:00 - 9:15	Soaring together: Birdability takes flight on the Virginia Bird & Wildlife Trail	Strategies for connecting with broader audiences	9:00 - 9:15	Framing the future: How states are embedding wildlife viewing in strategic plans
9:15 - 9:30		9:15 - 9:30			9:15 - 9:30	
9:30 - 9:45		9:30 - 9:45	Outdoors Beyond Barriers: How Georgia is breaking down barriers for citizens to get outside	Broadening the conservation base: Engaging the tourism industry through WYildlife For Tomorrow	9:30 - 9:45	
9:45 - 10:00		9:45 - 10:00			9:45 - 10:00	
10:00 - 10:15		10:00 - 10:15	<b>BREAK</b>		10:00 - 10:15	
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10:30 - 10:45	<b>BREAK</b>	10:30 - 10:45	Nature for all: Building inclusive outdoor connections in South Carolina	Becoming bear aware: A collaborative approach to reducing human-black bear conflict in Washington	10:30 - 10:45	A new window into wildlife viewing: How a shiny app is powering WMA visitor insights
10:45 - 11:00		10:45 - 11:00			10:45 - 11:00	"How Can I Help?": Building connections between wildlife viewers and actionable science
11:00 - 11:15	Ghosts, guns, and game laws: Making the story of wildlife management relevant and engaging	11:00 - 11:15	Engaging Minneapolis teens in an 'EPIC' outdoor program	Developing engaging visitor experiences with walks, talks and tours	11:00 - 11:15	Look up & stay grounded: Lessons learned from the BC Bird Trail. Harnessing digital tools to foster collaboration and promote responsible recreation
11:15 - 11:30		11:15 - 11:30			11:15 - 11:30	
11:30 - 11:45		11:30 - 11:45	Co-design as a bridge: Engaging communities in outdoor nature programming		11:30 - 11:45	Demystifying difficult topics: Engage your audience with fun hands-on learning methods, and motivate them to take action!
11:45 - 12:00		11:45 - 12:00			11:45 - 12:00	
12:00 - 12:15	Similarities and differences between non-consumptive and consumptive wildlife recreationists	12:00 - 12:15	<b>LUNCH</b>		12:00 - 12:15	<b>LUNCH</b>
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1:15 - 1:30		1:15 - 1:30			1:15 - 1:30	Trailblazing with data: Understanding and engaging beginner wildlife viewers on the Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail
1:30 - 1:45		1:30 - 1:45	Birding competitions across the U.S.: Case studies in outreach, engagement, and revenue-generation	From habits to habitat: Inspiring conservation behavior	1:30 - 1:45	Understanding how people who feed birds are responding to avian influenza
1:45 - 2:00	Economic valuation of wildlife viewing 101	1:45 - 2:00			1:45 - 2:00	Everglades Wildlife Watch: Connecting communities and conservation online and in the field
2:00 - 2:15		2:00 - 2:15			2:00 - 2:15	Bracken Cave Preserve: A Gateway to bat conservation and public engagement
2:15 - 2:30		2:15 - 2:30			2:15 - 2:30	Wildlife viewing through a community science and conservation lens
2:30 - 2:45		2:30 - 2:45	<b>BREAK</b>		2:30 - 2:45	<b>BREAK</b>
2:45 - 3:00	Accessibility Advisory Committees: Engaging effectively with disabled and neurodivergent wildlife viewers in Texas	2:45 - 3:00			2:45 - 3:00	
3:00 - 3:15	<b>BREAK</b>	3:00 - 3:15	Engaging youth in science and stewardship: A Bird by Bird approach across three states	Expanding habitat, expanding urban access: Inclusive habitat programs	3:00 - 3:15	Trailhead Ambassador programming: Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
3:15 - 3:30		3:15 - 3:30				
3:30 - 3:45	Inclusive wildlife viewing programs, accessible trails, and adaptive loaner equipment programs: Case studies from New York, Colorado and Michigan	3:30 - 3:45			3:30 - 3:45	A birds-eye view of partnership: How a participatory science initiative strengthens conservation across Virginia
3:45 - 4:00		3:45 - 4:00			3:45 - 4:00	
4:00 - 4:15		4:00 - 4:15	Watching wildlife after school	Where the desert touches water: Paddling into bird habitat	4:00 - 4:15	Seeing is believing: The role of wildlife viewing and public engagement in the recovery of the Kirtland's warbler
4:15 - 4:30		4:15 - 4:30			4:15 - 4:30	
4:30 - 4:45	Swifties: What Taylor Swift can teach us about connecting people to nature	4:30 - 4:45	Go over Auction/Raffle Instructions, Trivia Night final details, and any other housekeeping		4:30 - 4:45	You are invited: 2028 WVNT Academy Closing remarks, Auction/Raffle Instructions/timeline, Reception and Fri. info
4:45 - 5:00		4:45 - 5:00			4:45 - 5:00	