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	TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11		
1:00 pm	Pre-Conference Registration (Grand Gallery, 77th Street Lobby)		
	Workshop Session I		
2:00 pm	Expanding Your Teaching Toolbox:	Led by: Ana Luz Porzecanski, Associate	
	An Introduction to Active and Scientific	Director for Capacity Development and NCEP	
	Teaching (3 hrs)	Project Director, Center for Biodiversity and	
	(Sackler Lab, 1st floor)	Conservation, American Museum of Natural	
		History; and Martha Groom, Professor,	
		University of Washington Bothell, and Adjunct	
		Professor, University of Washington	
	Conflicts About Wildlife: Is the Next	Led by: Leo R. Douglas, Center for	
	Generation of Conservation Scientists	Biodiversity and Conservation, American	
	Prepared? (90 min)	Museum of Natural History; and Adjunct	
	(Professional Development Room No. 2,	Lecturer, Department of Ecology, Evolution, and	
	2 nd floor)	Environmental Biology, Columbia University	
3:35 pm	Managing Ecosystem Services for	Led by: Jane Carter Ingram, Lead, Ecosystem	
一大鱼 。产生	Conservation and Poverty Reduction	Services/Payments for Ecosystem Services,	
	(90 min)	Wildlife Conservation Society; and Adjunct	
	(Professional Development Room No. 2,	Associate Research Scientist, Center for	
Apple 1	2 nd floor)	Environmental Research and Conservation,	
		Earth Institute, Columbia University	

5:30 pm Film and Discussion (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)

Green Fire: Aldo Leopold and a Land Ethic for Our Time

This poignant documentary follows the professional and personal life of Aldo Leopold, widely regarded as the 20th Century's most important conservationist and a central figure in the development of environmental ethics. "Green Fire" shares intimate details of his loving relationship with his wife and children, centering around their exploration of nature. The film highlights Leopold's extraordinary career, revealing how he shaped the debates within the conservation community and continues to inspire people today. The screening will be followed by a discussion with the film's co-director **Steven Dunsky**; **Brooke Hecht**, President of the Center for Humans and Nature; **Curt Meine**, Director of Conservation Biology and History at the Center for Humans and Nature; and **Eleanor J. Sterling**, Director of the Center for Biodiversity and Conservation at the American Museum of Natural History.

	WEDNESDAY,		
8:00 am	Breakfast and Registration (Grand Gallery, 77th Street Lobby)		
	Welcome and Inroduction		
	(Kauffman / Linder Theaters)		
9:00 am	Eleanor J. Sterling Director, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History		
	Plenary Address: Robin Chazdon Professor, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Connecticut	Ten Reasons Why Conservation Biologists Should Value Tropical Regrowth Forests	
	Talk Session: Conservation in Human-Modified Landscapes (Pa (Kauffman / Linder Theaters)		
10:05 am	Session Chair: David Skelly Professor of Ecology and Associate Dean for Research, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies		
	Matthias Rös Instituto de Ecologia, A.C., Mexico	Beta Diversity of Dung Beetles in Human Modified Landscapes	
	Maria Jose La Rota-Aguilera University of Texas at Austin	Birds in Coffee Agroecosystems and Habitat Fragmentation	
	Robert Denton Eastern Kentucky University	Evaluation of Amphibian Communities in Constructed Ponds	
11:10 am	Break (Powerhouse, 2 nd floor)		
	Talk Session: Conservation in Human-Modified Landscapes (Part II)		
	(Kauffir	nan / Linder Theaters)	
11:45 am			
	Nicole Michel Tulane University	Indirect Effects of Fragmentation Limit Rainforest Birds	
	Jessica Schnell Rutgers University	Metrics Linking Fragmentation to Extinction at Large Scales	
	Gwen Iacona University of Tennessee Knoxville	Can We Predict the Cost of Invasion in a Protected Area?	
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12:35 pm	Group Photo		

		rvation in Managed Landscapes / Linder Theaters)	
2:30 pm	Session Chair: Michael J. Foster Education Coordinator, American Museum of Natural History		
	Georgina Cullman Columbia University and American Museum of Natural History	Conservation Value of Community Lands in NE Madagascar	
	Jonas Geldmann University of Copenhagen, Denmark	Effectiveness of Protected Areas in Maintaining Biodiversity	
	Catherine González Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile	Connectivity Under Alternative Models of Marine Conservation	
	Darcey Iwashita University of Hawai'i at Manoa	Review of Solutions to Population Growth and Climate Change	
	Temitope Kehinde Stellenbosch University, South Africa	Organic Vineyard Managment Supports Insect-Flower Networks	
	Jessica Rosen Bioversity International, Italy	Bridging Natural and Managed Landscapes in Cuban MAB Reserves	
30	Rebecca McKay Steinberg Yale University	Rodenticide Use and Non-Target Impacts in an Urban Ecosystem	
3:10 pm	Speed-Talk Discussion (Kaufmann Theater)) and Break (Shell Corridor, 1st floor)	
	Talk Session: Ecosystem Conservation and Policy (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)		
3:45 pm			
	Erica Pohnan Yale University	Adapting Forest Restoration Approaches to Local Contexts	
	Karine Princé Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, France	Predicting Impacts of Agriculture Evolution on Biodiversity	
	Konstantine J. Rountos Stony Brook University	Global Importance of Forage Fish to Fisheries and Ecosystems	
	Christopher Free International Institute of Tropical Forestry	Mahogany Population Dynamics: Implications for International Trade	
4:50 pm	Poster Session / Reception (Powerhouse, 2nd floor)		

7:00 pm

This Year in Conservation: A Panel Discussion 2011 Mack Lipkin Man and Nature Series

(Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)

Four conservation professionals explore the important events, milestones, and innovations that have challenged and inspired conservation action on the world stage and in their own careers. Introduced by **Michael J. Novacek**, Senior Vice President, Provost of Science at the American Museum of Natural History, the evening's panelists include:

Gabriela Chavarria

Science Advisor to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Christopher E. Filardi

Director of Pacific Programs, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History

Eleanor J. Sterling (Moderator)

Director, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History

Erika Zavaleta

Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13		
8:00 am	Breakfast and Registration (Grand Gallery, 77th Street Lobby)	
	Introduction (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)	
9:00 am	Plenary Address: Christopher E. Filardi Director of Pacific Programs, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History	Why Natural History Matters
	Talk Session: Conservation and Climate Change (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)	
9:55 am	Session Chair: Eban Goodstein Director, Bard Center for Environmental Police	
	Meha Jain Columbia University	Agricultural Adaptation to Climate Variability
	Patrick Jantz Woods Hole Research Center	Climate Mitigation and Corridors for Chimpanzees in Uganda
	Kendra Mack Yale University	Environmental Predictors of Forest Presence and Consumption
	Nicole Wilson Cornell University	Rethinking Climate Change Adaptation
11:00 am	Break (Powerhouse, 2 nd floor)	
	Talk Session: Socio-Economic Dimensions of Conservation (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)	
11:35 am	Session Chair: Catherine Christen Graduate/Professional Training Manager, Cent Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute	er for Conservation Education and Sustainability,
	Emma Johnson University of California, San Diego	Time, History, and Narrative at the Tijuana River Estuary
	Jessica Daniel Duke University	Island Conservation: A Community Based Approach in Utila, Honduras
	Angela Guerrero Gonzalez University of Queensland, Australia	Scale Mismatches and the Role of Social Networks
	Clare Gupta University of California, Berkeley	People-Park Relations around Chobe National Park, Botswana
	Geoff Kelley University of Georgia, Athens	Conservation Across Boundaries in the Big Bend Borderlands
	Rachel Nuwer University of East Anglia, England, and New York University	Threats to Biodiversity in the U Minh Peat Swamps, Vietman
1:15 pm	Lunch: Mentor-Hosted Tables (Powerhouse, 2nd floor)	

	Speed Talk Session: Understanding and Managing Species Interaction (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)		
3:00 pm	Session Chair: Sir Peter Crane Carl W. Knobloch, Jr., Dean, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, and Professor of Botany, Yale University		
	Sarah Kornbluth Rutgers University	Quantifying Native Bee Pollination Services in Fruit Crops	
	Daniel S. Song University of Pennsylvania	Plants and Pollinators: Know Your (Functional) Role!	
	Binbin Li University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	The Study of Faunal Diversity in Japanese Larch Plantation	
	Austin Gallagher University of Miami	Stressed Sharks: Modeling Better Catch and Release Fishing	
	Jennifer Mortensen Tufts University	Can Social Behaviors Protect Populations from Extinction?	
	Samantha Attwood Yale University	Frog Defense: Does Amphibian Skin Protect from Extinction?	
	Amanda Rugenski Southern Illinois University	Are Amphibian Declines Altering Stream Ecosystem Processes?	
3:40 pm	Speed-Talk Discussion (Kaufmann Thea	tter) and Break (Shell Corridor, 1st floor)	
	Talk Session: Agricult	ural Landscapes and Biodiversity nn / Linder Theaters)	
4:15 pm	Session Chair: Ana Carolina Carnaval Assistant Professor, Biology Department, The City College of New York		
	Alexander Georgiev Harvard University	Bonobos Crop-Raid During Times of Nutritional Stress	
	Chaitanya Krishna Centre for Ecological Sciences, India	Blackbuck and Agriculturists: Conflict or Coexistence?	
	Priya Alicia Srinivas Columbia University	Effects of Oil Palm on Bird Communities in Peruvian Amazon	
	Aske Skovmand Bosselmann University of Copenhagen, Denmark	Disappearing Shade Trees Reduces 'Eco' in Ecoagriculture	
	Morgan Rulle Cornell University	Farmer Conservation of Plant Diversity for Food in Ethopia	
5:30 pm	Poster Session / Career Fair / Reception (Powerhouse, 2 nd floor)		

	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14			
8:00 am	Breakfast and Registration (Grand Gallery	y, 77 th Street Lobby)		
	Introduction (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)			
9:00 am	Plenary Address: Erica Zavaleta Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz	Contributing to Effective Conservation as a Scientist		
		Speed Talk Topic: Challenges and Innovations in Species Conservation (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)		
9:55 am	Session Chair: George Amato Director, Sackler Institute for Comparative Genomics, American Museum of Natural History			
	Claudia Wultsch Virginia Tech	Noninvasive Tracking of Jaguars (Panthera onca) in Belize		
	Brooke Kelly Columbia University	Palmyra Atoll Green Turtle Foraging Ecology		
	Tiwonge Mzumara Museum of Malawi, Blantyre, Malawi	Status and Viability of the Lilian's Lovebird in Malawi		
	Thomas Radzio Drexel University	Low Compliance with a Bycatch Regulation Threatens Terrapins		
	Taza Schaming Cornell University	Use of Occupancy Surveys to Monitor Clark's Nutcrackers		
	Maria Wheeler Duquesne University	Pre- and Post-Reintroduction Genetics of Golden Eagles		
10:30 am	Speed-Talk Discussion (Kaufmann Theate	r) and Break (Shell Corridor, 1st floor)		
	Talk Session: Species	Ecology and Conservation		
11:05 am	(Kaufmann / Linder Theaters) Session Chair: Ana Luz Porzecanski Associate Director for Capacity Development and NCEP Project Director, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History			
	Julie Rushmore University of Georgia, Athens	Behavioral Determinants of Disease Transmission in Wild Apes		
	Sarah Hansen State University of New York	Abundance Estimation of Coyote Populations in New York State		
	Rodrigo Vergara University of Florida	Conservation Based on Neutral and Adaptive Genetic Variation		
	Tali Magory Cohen The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel	An Ecological and Genetic Study of Eurasian Otters in Israel		
	Elizabeth Hunter State University of New York	Galápagos Giant Tortoises as Ecological Analogs		
	Aaron Aunins Virginia Commonwealth University	Genetic Evaluation of American Shad Restoration Success		
12:45 pm	Lunch: Mentor-Hosted Tables (Powerhouse, 2nd floor)			

	Worksho	pp Session II
2:15 pm	Modeling Ecological Risk with RAMAS Metapop Software (Sackler Lab, 1st floor)	Led by: Nicholas A. Friedenberg and Kevin Shoemaker , Applied Biomathematics
	Conflicts about Wildlife: Is the Next Generation of Conservation Scientists Prepared? (90 min) (Kaufmann Theater, 1st floor)	Led by: Leo R. Douglas , Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History; and Adjunct Lecturer, Columbia University
	Advances in Monitoring and Quantitative Ecology in Conservation Science (Professional Development Room No. 1, 2 nd floor)	Led by: Benjamin Zuckerberg, Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin, Madison; James P. Gibbs, Professor and Associate Chair, State University of New York; and Wesley Hochachka, Senior Research Associate, Cornell Lab of Ornithology
	An Introduction to Adaptive Management - Practical Training for Tomorrow's Leaders in Conservation (Professional Development Room No. 2, 2 nd floor)	Led by: Vinaya Swaminathan , Program Officer, Foundations of Success
	Modeling Ecological Niches and Geographic Distributions: What, Why, and How? (Linder Theater, 1st floor)	Led by: Richard Pearson , Director, Biodiversity Informatics Research, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History
3:50 pm	The Two Most Important Things You Ever Do: Harmonizing Family and Career (Kaufmann Theater, 1st floor)	Led by: Erica Zavaleta , Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz
	Advances in Monitoring and Quantitative Ecology in Conservation Science (cont.) (Professional Development Room No. 1, 2 nd floor)	Led by: Benjamin Zuckerberg, James P. Gibbs, and Wesley Hochachka
	An Introduction to Adaptive Management – Practical Training for Tomorrow's Leaders in Conservation (cont.) (Professional Development Room No. 2, 2 nd floor)	Led by: Vinaya Swaminathan
	Modeling Ecological Niches and Geographic Distributions: What, Why and How? (cont.) (Linder Theater, 1st floor)	Led by: Richard Pearson
5:20 pm	Awards and Closing (Kaufmann / Linder Theaters)	
6:00 pm	Adjourn	

ROBIN L. CHAZDON

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TEN REASONS WHY CONSERVATION BIOLOGISTS SHOULD VALUE TROPICAL REGROWTH FORESTS

Tropical regrowth forests establish after original forest cover is removed due to large-scale natural disturbances, clear-cutting, or abandonment of agriculture. Although tropical regrowth forests cannot replace old-growth forests, they can provide diverse ecosystem services and support a wide array of biodiversity. But regrowth forests are often cleared for agricultural use after only 5–10 years, and are considered to have little or no conservation value. I argue that regrowth forests can play an important conservation role, particularly in fragmented tropical landscapes. I discuss ten reasons why conservation biologists should value tropical regrowth forests, with examples from tropical regions around the world. Regrowth forests can:

- 1. Provide critical habitats and resources for wildlife, forest specialists, and generalists
- 2. Serve as buffer zones for small old-growth fragments
- 3. Reduce edge effects following forest fragmentation
- 4. Serve as biological corridors to link previously isolated old-growth forest fragments
- 5. Sequester carbon and restore soil fertility
- 6. Protect watersheds and stabilize riparian zones
- 7. Supply forest products that otherwise would be harvested from old-growth forests
- 8. Provide information on regeneration of local tree species that are appropriate for reforestation
- 9. Provide sites for ecotourism and for community-based conservation projects
- 10. Provide essential ecological information on species life history, ecosystem recovery, and community assembly.

Conservation biologists can promote regeneration of forests as alternative land-use options with short- and long-term economic benefits for local people. Protection of young regrowth forests should be an integral component of sustainable development, landscape conservation, reforestation, and restoration programs.

CHRISTOPHER E. FILARDI

Director, Pacific Programs, Center for Biodiversity and Conservation, American Museum of Natural History

WHY NATURAL HISTORY MATTERS

Over the past century, conservation practice has shifted from being driven by aesthetics to being rooted in science. As an outcome, conservation science—or the pursuit of scientific inquiry in response to shared values such as biodiversity is good or human-caused extinction is bad—has moved to the forefront of conservation practice. However, despite the power of quality science to quantify our impact on living systems, we often struggle integrate our best science into real world decision—making. This talk will focus on how basic natural history—the act of recording observations of the living world—can sometimes play an important role in legitimizing the analytical power of science across diverse people who are making decisions that impact our conservation outcomes. Using a long-term grizzly bear monitoring program developed in partnership with Canadian First Nations as an example, this talk will discuss several ways that natural history can matter to conservation scientists:

- 1. Natural history information often exists or is technically simple to produce.
- 2. Natural history localizes the biological issues surrounding conservation.
- 3. Natural history can provide an entry point for diverse people to ask meaningful scientific questions.
- 4. By empirically capturing intimacy with place, natural history can frame biodiversity conservation in ways that transform conflict into compromise.

As a community, conservation scientists can invest in basic natural history skills and practice to improve our impact on what really matters most – giving our science a voice.

ERIKA ZAVALETA

Assistant Professor, Environmental Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz

CONTRIBUTING TO EFFECTIVE CONSERVATION AS A SCIENTIST

Most of us come to conservation science because we want to make real contributions to protecting biodiversity. How does that actually happen? There are many pathways to making meaningful scientific contributions to conservation. However, as a field we need more of a few key elements:

- 1. Synthesis and meta-analysis to catalyze new conservation approaches. Most conservation practitioners have little time to read research, but many enthusiastically wield insights they glean from concise syntheses of key areas.
- 2. Interdisciplinary collaborations and the proficiency to make them succeed. Conservation science has begun to transcend biology and to incorporate policy and legal scholars, economists, anthropologists, and researchers from other fields. But to do this most effectively, we need more consistent, basic interdisciplinary training and practice with the collaborative process.
- 3. Cross-sector engagement and borrowing. Conservation science has the best shot at meaningful influence if scientists understand the institutions that implement and fund conservation action. Moreover, conservation can apply insights from other sectors with strong traditions of science-based practice and outcome-based evaluation, from public health to marketing.
- 4. Relevance. We always need data to assess how to conserve biodiversity, but whether and why to conserve it are not strictly biophysical data questions. We most need to know how diverse people outside conservation answer these questions so that we can address their motivations as well as our own.

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