



## 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Bat Diversity Network and 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Colloquium on the Conservation of Mammals in the Southeastern U.S.

February 12-14, 2020  
The Classic Center, Athens, Georgia

### MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

We invite you to join us for the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Bat Diversity Network and 30<sup>th</sup> Colloquium on the Conservation of Mammals in the Southeastern United States to be held February 12-14, 2020 at The Classic Center in Athens, Georgia. The meetings will bring together biologists, private and public land managers, private consultation organizations, educational institutions, and citizen scientists from across the Southeast.

**Registration:** Register online at <https://sbdn.wpengine.com/2020-annual-meeting/>

Student: \$65 (\$85, after January 10); Professional: \$125 (\$175, after January 10)

*\*Cost of registration this year includes Thursday night dinner during the Poster Session\**

#### **Lodging:**

**RECOMMENDED:** Hyatt Place/Athens Downtown; 412 N Thomas Street, Athens, GA.

<https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/hotel/georgia/hyatt-place-athens-downtown/ahnza>

SBDN blocked room rates are \$149/night, parking rates are \$10/night.

**RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE:** Holiday Inn; 197 E Broad Street, Athens, GA. (approximately 4-5 blocks/0.43-mile walk from the Classic Center)

<https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/athens/ahnga/hoteldetail>

SBDN blocked room rates are \$105/night, free parking included with room.

-Additional hotel information can be found at <https://sbdn.wpengine.com/2020-annual-meeting/>

**Program Overview:** A tentative schedule is posted below.

**Plenary Session Topics:** To celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Mammal Colloquium and the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of SBDN, a presentation on history of the organizations will kick-off the meeting. The Plenary Session will continue the history theme covering mammal field techniques through the ages. We will then move into the future and talk about new technology and techniques being used in our field. Planning is still underway!

**Mammal Colloquium:** We invite all interested parties with research topics involving mammals to present findings in either a poster (Thursday PM) or oral (Friday) presentation. We encourage students, professors, researchers, and policy makers to share their knowledge. Instructions for submitting abstracts and guidelines for poster presentations are provided in this meeting announcement.

Please send suggestions or questions about the meeting to [sbdnmammtg2020@gmail.com](mailto:sbdnmammtg2020@gmail.com)

## TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2020 – SBDN EC MEETING AND WELCOME SOCIAL**

3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m. Registration

3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m. Sponsor/Exhibitor Setup/Display

3:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m. Georgia Museum of Natural History Tour (Pre-registration Required)

Afternoon (Time TBD) Ice Skating at The Classic Center

3:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m. SBDN Executive Committee Meeting

6:00 p.m.– 7:30 p.m. Bat Conservation and Management Bat Walk at Dudley Park

6:30 p.m.– 9:30 p.m. Welcome Social at Starland Pizza (Pre-Registration Required)

### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2020 - SBDN AND ASSOCIATED MEETINGS**

7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration

7:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sponsor/Exhibitor Setup/Display

8:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. Various Working Group Meetings (TBD)

8:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. Possible Vendor Workshops (TBD)

12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch on your own

2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. PLENARY SESSION

3:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Break

4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. SBDN Business Meeting

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Poster Setup

6:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Social (Dinner Provided), Poster Session, Silent Auction

### **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2020 - COLLOQUIUM ON THE CONSERVATION OF MAMMALS**

7:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Registration

8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Oral Presentations (Concurrent A)

8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Oral Presentations (Concurrent B)

10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m.-12:30 a.m. Oral Presentations (Concurrent A)

10:30 a.m.-12:30 a.m. Oral Presentations (Concurrent B)

12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch on your own

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Oral Presentations (Concurrent A)

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Oral Presentations (Concurrent B)

4:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Break

4:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Awards, Announcements, Close

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Mammal Colloquium provides a forum for student and professional oral and poster presentations on any topic related to mammals. We invite interested parties to present findings in either a poster (Thursday) or oral (Friday) presentation. We encourage students, researchers, and policy-makers to share their knowledge. This is an excellent opportunity to present preliminary or final research findings before a large group of professional mammalogists that can provide feedback and insight into your studies and results. It is also a great opportunity for students to meet and interact with potential employers in both state and federal governments, academia, non-profit organizations, and environmental consulting companies. Please follow the instructions below for submitting abstracts and preparing poster presentations.

**The deadline for abstract submittal is January 10, 2020.**

Note: All oral and poster presentations must register for the meeting. Register online at <https://sbdn.org/annual-meeting/>.

### STUDENT AWARDS

Awards will be given for Best Oral Bat Presentation, Best Oral Non-Bat Presentation, and Best Overall Poster Presentation. Student awards are given at the close of the meeting. To be eligible, indicate student status when you submit your abstract.

### EXAMPLE ABSTRACT

**Presentation Type:** Poster

**Presenter Status:** Student

**Presenter's E-mail:** student@school.edu

#### HIGH-ELEVATION OBSERVATIONS OF LONG-TAILED WEASEL AND EASTERN CHIPMUNK IN THE SOUTHERN APPALACHIANS

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Observations of Long-tailed Weasel (*Mustela frenata*) are rare within the southern Appalachians, while observations of Eastern Chipmunk (*Tamias striatus*) in high-elevation spruce-fir forests are uncommon. We conducted camera trap surveys at Roan Mountain Highlands in Red Spruce (*Picea rubens*) – Fraser Fir (*Abies fraseri*) forest during summer 2016. During the survey, we observed a Long-tailed Weasel at 1893 m in elevation and an Eastern Chipmunk at 1703 m in elevation. These are the highest elevation records for both species in the eastern United States outside of Great Smoky Mountains National Park, and the highest elevation record for Long-tailed Weasel in North Carolina.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING AND SUBMITTING ABSTRACTS

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**Abstract submittal deadline is January 10, 2020.** Abstracts should be <300 words and include the name, organization, and address of authors, title, study justification, objectives, brief methods, summarized results, and discussion of results. Underline the name of the author that will be presenting the paper. Indicate if the abstract is for an oral or poster presentation. Submit abstracts electronically in Microsoft Word format to [scastle@uga.edu](mailto:scastle@uga.edu); include "Abstract" in the subject line.

**All oral presentations must be on Microsoft PowerPoint, Apple Keynote, or Adobe PDF.** If you are using PowerPoint, please be sure all photos, graphics, and videos are included in one folder with your presentation. Early submission of presentations via e-mail is strongly encouraged. Presentations brought to the meeting must be on a flash drive.

A total of 15 minutes will be allotted for oral presentations. Plan your talk to be 12-13 minutes to allow time for questions. Your presentation time will be specified in the meeting agenda that will be sent to registrants prior to the meeting.

**Follow the format guidelines below when preparing your abstract. An example abstract is provided on the previous page.**

- Title should be in all capital letters, bold and centered
- Include names and current addresses of authors after the title
- Italicize addresses of authors
- Underline the name of the presenter
- Indicate student presenters with an asterisk (\*)
- Use 12-point Times New Roman font
- Use 1-inch margins on all sides
- Left justify only (everything except the title)

**Follow the guidelines below for preparing posters**

- Overall size should be no larger than 36 x 48 inches
- Should be readable from a distance of 2 m
- Title should be capitalized with lettering in 72-point font
- Authors and affiliations should be in upper- and lower-case in 42-point font
- Text lettering should be at least 18-point font
- Most posters should include the following sections: Abstract, Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results and Discussion, Conclusions, Literature Cited
- Keep written text to a minimum. "Bullets" and short phrases are most effective

**2020 SBDN & SE Mammal Colloquium Meeting  
Welcome Social  
Wednesday, February 12th, 2020  
6:30 to 9:30pm**

Starland Pizzeria & Pub (Upstairs)  
<https://www.starlandpizza.com/>  
145 E. Clayton St.  
Athens, GA 30601



Location is within walking distance from the meeting venue and hotels!

**Cost = \$15/person for food\***

\*Must pay in advance with meeting registration (Deadline is February 1st)

Food includes:

Pizza (Vegetarian options included, vegan upon request)

Focaccia

Salad

Dessert

Beverages will be available for purchase. Food will be available throughout the event so you can arrive anytime. Register online at <https://sbdn.wpengine.com/2020-annual-meeting/>

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**Order online with registration**

<https://sbdn.wpengine.com/2020-annual-meeting/>



# Georgia Museum of Natural History

## UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> FROM 3-5 PM

## COME TOUR THE GEORGIA MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

The Georgia Museum of Natural History is “the” state natural history museum. It ranks as one of the top University based research collections in the US and has the 6th largest marine mammal collection and is in the top 10 globally. The mammal collections house over 75,000 specimens (over 1,500 marine mammals), the Herpetology Collections house approximately 60,000 specimens, and the Ichthyology collections house over 1 million fish.

The tour will be at the museums curatorial Annex where most of the Vertebrate research collections are housed. We will explore the mammal, fish, reptile and amphibian collections as well as a brief view of some fluid preserved invertebrates and the genetics collection. We are working to provide transportation from the conference center to the museum tour. We are limited in the number of people that we can offer this free tour too, so please sign up ASAP if you would like to attend!

Sign Up Form: <https://forms.gle/V7sktcXjVWmbiUwo8>

Contact with questions: Nikki Castleberry at [neotoma@uga.edu](mailto:neotoma@uga.edu) or  
Emily Ferrall at [emily.ferrall@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:emily.ferrall@dnr.ga.gov)

## **Donate Items for the Silent Auction**

A silent auction will be held on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> during the evening poster session and social. Last call for bids will be at the end of the poster session. Forms of payment accepted include cash, credit card, and check. Proceeds from the auction will fund our Student Travel Award Program (<http://sbdn.org/student-travel-award-program/>).

Donated items can be submitted at the registration desk during the meeting. For questions or to donate items in advance, contact Steve Samoray ([ssamoray@copperheadconsulting.com](mailto:ssamoray@copperheadconsulting.com)).

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mammal Trivia Challenge**

Back by popular demand! The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Mammal Trivia Challenge will include trivia questions, museum oddities and other interesting museum finds. The challenge requires 2-person teams. All teams of two are welcome to participate, but professional-student pairs will be eligible to win prizes and other pairs (pro-pro or student-student) will be eligible for honorable mentions. Students and professionals looking to find a partner for the Challenge are encouraged to leave their contact information at the registration desk.

## **Ice Skating Session at The Classic Center**

An ice-skating session will be available for participants during the afternoon of Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Times and details will be provided closer to the event. Group discounts may be available. More information about Athens on Ice is available here <https://classiccenter.com/272/Athens-on-Ice>.

## **Bat Walk at Dudley Park**

Bat Conservation and Management, Inc. will be offering a bat walk on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00 pm. The group will walk to Dudley Park, near the meeting venue (<https://www.accgov.com/dudley>) where several bat houses are located. Demonstrations may include bat detectors, borescopes, acoustic lures, beam break and various camera systems. More information will be provided closer to the event. ***Participants will be finished in time to attend the Wednesday night social.***



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**REQUEST FOR SPONSORS**

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

The 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Southeastern Bat Diversity Network the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Colloquium on the Conservation of Mammals in the Southeastern United States will be held February 13-14, 2020 in Athens, Georgia! We are expecting at least 150 participants. Attendees will include students, academics, consultants, agency personnel, non-governmental organizations, and other individuals researching and managing bats and other mammals throughout the southeastern United States.

This meeting serves as one of the primary mechanisms for communication of research, regulatory updates, and management information related to the conservation of bats and other mammals in the southeast. This will be a great opportunity to interact with researchers, consultants, agency personnel, students, and staff of non-governmental organizations who work on important conservation priorities for mammals in our region.

We are seeking sponsorship at a variety of financial levels as detailed on the following sponsor registration form. All sponsors are also given the opportunity to exhibit, if desired. We would like to invite your organization to consider serving as a meeting sponsor.

Please contact Host Committee members Laci Pattavina ([Laci.Pattavina@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Laci.Pattavina@dnr.ga.gov) or 706-557-3228) or Trina Morris ([Katrina.Morris@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Katrina.Morris@dnr.ga.gov) or 706-557-3220) if you have any questions related to sponsorships.

We are excited to celebrate and collaborate with you at this milestone 25<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting!

Sincerely,

2020 Meeting Host Committee:

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**SPONSOR REGISTRATION**

Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Description	Benefits	Fee	Selection
<b>Bronze</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Includes 1 Registration</li> <li>● Logo on Program (<b>1/10 page</b>)</li> </ul>	\$300	
<b>Copper</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Includes 2 Registrations</li> <li>● Logo on Program (<b>1/10 page</b>)</li> <li>● Acknowledgement (logo, link) on meeting website</li> </ul>	\$600	
<b>Silver</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Includes up to 3 Registrations</li> <li>● Logo on Program (<b>1/4 page</b>)</li> <li>● Acknowledgement (logo, link) on meeting website</li> </ul>	\$1000	
<b>Gold</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Includes up to 4 Registrations</li> <li>● Logo/ad on Program (<b>1/2 page</b>, you supply ad)</li> <li>● Acknowledgement (logo, link) on meeting website</li> <li>● Logo displayed at breaks and poster session</li> </ul>	\$1500	
<b>Platinum</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Includes up to 5 Registrations</li> <li>● Logo/ad on Program (<b>full page</b>, you supply ad)</li> <li>● Acknowledgement (logo, link) on meeting website</li> <li>● Logo displayed at breaks and poster session</li> <li>● First Platinum level sponsor has the option of placing their ad on the back cover of the Program.</li> </ul>	\$2000	

- All sponsors are eligible as exhibitors. **Would you like to be an exhibitor?** \_\_\_\_\_
  - Exhibitor spaces include a table and 2 chairs. If you require additional chairs, please indicate how many: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Does your exhibit require electricity? \_\_\_\_\_
- Individual registrations associated with your sponsorship must be filled out using the online registration form found on the SBDN website.
- **Sponsors must provide their own logo.** Please email logos to [sbdnmammtg2020@gmail.com](mailto:sbdnmammtg2020@gmail.com) with subject line "Meeting Sponsor Logo" and any additional details.
- Make checks payable to **Southeastern Bat Diversity Network**. Mail this completed registration form and payment to:
 

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