

JANUARY 12-16, 2017 9th ANNUAL

Become One with the River of Grass.



Journey through south Florida searching for beautiful and rare birds in ancient moss-covered cypress swamps, everglades prairies that join the sky and brilliant marshes that sparkle with flashes of roseate wings. Scan across the tips of grass for searching hovering Snail kites and hear the squeal of the Limpkin.

SNAIL KITE*LIMPKIN*WOOD STORK**PAINTEDBUNTING* ROSEATE SPOONBILL*SHORT-

TAILED HAWK* *PURPLE GALINULE *COMMON MYNA*CRESTED CARACARA*PARROTS*

*BURROWING OWL*RED-WHISKERED BULBUL*PRAIRIE WARBLERS*EGYPTIAN GOOSE*

FIELD WORKSHOPS- Advanced Birding Skills, Habitat, Bird by Ear, Behavior, Field Techniques, Silhouette, Field Marks, Season, Family Groups

EXPERTS-PADDY CUNNINGHAM, RANGEL DIAZ, JIM EAGER, DAVID SIMPSON,

PHOTOGRAPHY TRACT, KEYNOTE-JAMES CURRIE EVENING PROGRAMS



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OPENING RECEPTION -KEYNOTE JAMES CURRIE OF TV'S BIRDING ADVENTURES, 1/12-LONG KEY NATURE CENTER, LIGHT BUFFET, RAFFLES & FUN ! DAILY MINI-WORKSHOPS!



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THURS-1/12 Registration-12-1:00 pm FIELD TRIP-1:30-5:30 p.m. Happy Hour 6:00-7:00 pm Open Keynote-7:00-8:30 pm	REGISTRATION-12:00-1:00 p.m.-Pick up your name tag, field trip workshop materials and goody bags. (\$30) ALL FULL DAY FIELD TRIPS INCLUDE LUNCH AND VAN TRANSPORTATION PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP-8:00-11:30 am, Plantation Preserve-workshop & field trip (\$35) PLANTATION PRESERVE BIRD WALK-8:00-11:30 am, FREE, sponsored by SFAS, carpool BROWARD HOT SPOTS FIELD TRIP- Search Broward's Hot Spots for Grey headed Swamphen, Burrowing Owl, Egyptian Goose, wading bird fly-in, Bald Eagle, Great Horned Owl and much more.(\$45) OPENING RECEPTION-MEET & GREET, BUFFET, WINE & PRIZES-LONG KEY NATURE CENTER KEYNOTE SPEAKER-JAMES CURRIE, The famous TV Adventurer James Currie will share his real life adventures, When Eagles Roar: The Amazing Journey of an African Wildlife Adventurer, his acclaimed book. A Meet & Greet Happy Hour & BUFFET & Prizes! COST-included in your registration fee (\$30).
FRI.-1/13 6:15-check in, 6:30 day info 7:00am-field trip Quick Dinner 6:30-7:00 p.m. Evening Talk-7:00-8:00 p.m.	CORKSCREW & PRAIRIES Corkscrew Swamp is a "must" see in south Florida with 2-mile board walk and legendary beauty. There is a chance of Painted Bunting, Barred Owl, Limpkin, Night Herons and more. We'll visit the nature centers' exhibits and nature store. On Seminole Indian lands-Snake Road there is a chance for Crested Caracara, Wild Turkey, Sandhill Cranes, Northern Harrier, Wilson Snipe and shorebirds. Cost-(\$90) PALM BEACH WETLANDS, Wakodahatchee, Green Cay & Okeehetee- At Okeehetee Brown Thrasher, Indigo and Painted Buntings, and a view of rehabed Raptors up close. Green Cay wetlands' attracts Limpkin, Purple Gallinule, & Sora. Wakodahatchee harbors Black-bellied Whistling Ducks, American Bittern, nesting Great Blue Herons and Double-crested Cormorants and much more. (\$80) 8 min. SOUTH DADE HOTSPOTS -Old Cutler Wetlands and Dump Marsh look for Short-tailed Hawk, cowbirds, shorebirds & more . At Blackpoint Marina-Mangrove Cuckoo and Prairie Warbler. Castellow Hammock for Painted Bunting, Ruby-throated & Rufous Hummingbird. Possible stop at A.D.Barnes or exotics. Cost@(\$90). 8 min.required
SAT.-1/14 6:15-check in, 6:30-day info 7:00 a.m.-6:00-p.m.field trip Quick Dinner 6:30-7:00 p.m. Evening Talk 7	STORM WATER TREATMENT AREA 5 & CENTRAL PRAIRIES Everglades Restoration at its best at S.T.A. 5 targeting Snail, Kite, American Bittern, Limpkin, Purple Gallinule, Wood Stork, Crested Caracara, Peregrine Falcon, Roseate Spoonbill, Fulvous whistling duck, up to 10 species of wintering ducks and 50,000 birds. Chance for Painted Bunting, Sandhill Crane and many flycatchers. Cost-(\$90) SOUTH DADE EXOTICS & TROPICAL FORESTS South Dade is home to some of the most sought after birds Red-whiskered Bulbul, Spot-breasted Oriole, and Hill Myna. A stop at AD Barnes for wintering warblers, possible White-crowned Pigeon, and Bell's Vireo. Matheson Hammock has a variety of Parakeets, Parrots, shorebirds and more. Searching many areas in South Miami for a variety of exotic birds and more . Cost:(\$90). 8 Required min.
SUN.-1/15 6:15-check in, 6:30-day orientation, 7:00 a.m.-late return Dinner Out	EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK (late return) The ENP tour will start at Lucky Hammock for White-tailed Kite, Grasshopper Sparrow, up to 10 species of raptors and wintering warblers. A quick stop at the visitors center for a peek. Anhinga trail offers close views of wading birds, Purple Gallinules and Short-tailed Hawk. A picnic lunch at Long Pine Key can bring Eastern Bluebird, Brown-headed Nuthatch and Eastern Towhee. A few quick stop at Paurotis, Mrazek, and Eco-Ponds for Roseate Spoonbills and much more. At Flamingo look on the sandbar for Black Skimmer, Reddish Egret, White Pelican, Marbled Godwit and many shorebirds. With luck Crocodiles and Manatees can be found at Flamingo. Schedule may vary on tide and rare bird alerts. Cost-(\$90) DINNER (on your own) will be at a local Mexican restaurant.
MON-1/16 6:15-check in, 6:30-orient., 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	UPPER KEYS NATURE ADVENTURE A drive across Card Sound to North Key Largo is our best chance for White-crowned Pigeon and Cuban Yellow Warbler. John Pennekamp State Park will include a short hike in the one of the U.S.'s most endangered habitats-tropical hardwood forest and time to see the displays and aquarium of the U. S.'s only coral reef system. A late lunch (on your own) at the world's famous Alabama Jack's waterfront restaurant for conch fritters & chowder to get the real atmosphere of the Keys. It is a great way to end the festival.(\$90)

Birder's Receive*Increase your skills and knowledge as expert guides encourage your participation and you learn the i.d.*

Opportunity to add life and year birds by visiting a variety of habitats and unique natural areas.* *Daily mini-workshops with handouts, applied in the field.* *Gain birding skills in a non-intimidating environmentSMALL GROUPS increase interaction with TOP GUIDES and seeing the bird** An intense excitement of finding new birds with fellow birders from around the country.** Have lots of FUN!!!*

ALL FIELD TRIPS INCLUDE VAN TRANSPORTATION, LUNCH, WATER, SNACKS, EXPERT GUIDES, & CHECKLISTS.

"It was a lot of fun and rewarding to see some of the life birds on my list" Susan Frank, CA.

"We want to thank you so much for the wonderful birding adventure this week. It couldn't of been better" Clair and Linda Haakensen, N.M.

"Fantastic Adventure" Nancy Russo, Fl.

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