



Museum of Natural Science

Spring 2022

## Museum Seminar Schedule

\*Seminars begin at 3:30 in the main gallery of Foster Hall, unless denoted with "VIRTUAL", then it will be broadcast via Zoom.

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**January 21 - No Seminar: Short Week**

**January 28 - Alix Matthews, PhD Student, Boves Lab (VIRTUAL)**

Dept. of Biological Sciences, Arkansas State University

*Title: "A multi-level exploration of symbiotic avian feather mites"*

**February 4 - CCK National Academies Event**

Hosted by Dr. Prosanta Chakrabarty, Curator of Fishes, LSU Museum of Natural Sciences

*Title: TBD*

**February 11 - Dr. Crystal Johnson, Associate Professor**

Dept. of Environmental Sciences, Louisiana State University

*Title: TBD*

**February 18 - Dr. Fred Sheldon, LSUMNS Curator of Genetic Resources**

Dept. of Biological Sciences, Louisiana State University

*Title: "History of 20<sup>th</sup> century avian and hominoid molecular systematics: A simplified, self-centered, biased perspective."*

**February 25 - Dr. Elizabeth Borda, Assistant Professor**

Dept. of Life Sciences, Texas A&M University - San Antonio

*Title: "Diversity and Evolution in the Dark: an integrative evaluation of Typhlatya cave shrimp from the Yucatán Peninsula, Mexico."*

**March 4 - Dr. Allison Shultz, Assistant Curator of Ornithology**

Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, California

*Title: "In the eye of the beholder: On the evolution of feathers and their functions"*

**March 11 - No seminar – Spring Break**

**March 18 - No seminar – Spring Break**

**March 25 - Dr. Sara Ruane, Assistant Curator of Herpetology**

Field Museum, Chicago, Illinois

*Title: "Study Snakes! What would you want to do that for?"*

**April 1 - Dr. Dave Blackburn, Curator of Herpetology**

Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida

*Title: TBD*

**April 8 - No Seminar**

**April 15 - No Seminar – Good Friday and Passover**

**April 22 - Dr. Philip Barbour, ACES Contractor**

USDA NRCS Central National Technology Support Center

*Title: "1978 Cordillera Colan Expedition"*

**April 29 - Dr. Phillip Skipwith, Assistant Professor**

Department of Biology, University of Kentucky

*Title: TBD*

**May 6 - No seminar – Concentrated studying begins**

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