



# Ohio Natural History Conference

## HERPETOLOGY IN OHIO

February 26<sup>th</sup> 2022  
Columbus Zoo and Aquarium

### Conference Schedule

- 8:15 Registration and Refreshments (Coffee & Pastries)  
Set up posters, OBS Merchandise & Book Sales, Silent Auction
- 9:00 Welcome and Announcements
- 9:15 **Keynote Presentation**  
“May you be born in interesting times”. An ancient curse provides both challenges and opportunities for reptile conservation in the 21st century  
**Rich Siegel**, Professor Emeritus, Towson University.
- 10:15 **OBS Awards Presentation**  
**Naturalist Award** - (Founders of The Ohio Herpetological Society)  
Kraig Adler, PhD and David Dennis  
  
**Herbert Osborn Award** - (The Editor Team of Reptiles of Ohio)  
Jeffery Davis, Gregory Lipps Jr., Doug Wynn, Brian Armitage, Timothy Matson,  
Ralph Pfingsten, and Carolyn Caldwell
- 10:30 Break

### Paper Session I

- 10:45 “A Tribute to Ralph Pfingsten, Ohio's Salamander King” **Greg Lipps**, Amphibian & Reptile Conservation Coordinator, Ohio Biodiversity Conservation Partnership, Ohio State University
- 11:00 “Reptiles of Ohio - Seventy Years in the Making” **Jeff Davis**, Adjunct Research Associate in Herpetology, Cincinnati Museum Center
- 11:30 “Twenty Years of Documenting Southeast Ohio's Herpetofauna” **Carl R. Brune**, Athens, Ohio
- 12:00 “Saving Ohio's Snakes: How Columbus Zoo contributes to native conservation. A story of multiple methods” **Tara Archer**— Animal Care Specialist, Columbus Zoo and Aquarium

- 12:30 Lunch Break
- 1:00 Poster Session with authors in attendance
- 1:00 OHPARC Business Meeting In-Person
- 1:00 Virtual Break-out Time may review PDF of posters or virtual meet-n-greet break-out room
- 1:40 **Silent Auction** - Final Call

**Paper Session II**

- 1:45 “Ambystoma salamander population dynamics at multiple wetlands during 11 years of habitat modification and restoration” **Mike Benard**, Associate Professor, Department of Biology, Case Western Reserve University
- 2:15 “Conservation Genetic Analysis of Blanding’s Turtle in Northwest Ohio” **Dan Guinto**, Purdue University, Fort Wayne
- 2:45 “Spatial Ecology of Timber Rattlesnakes in Ohio” **Bill Peterman**, Associate Professor of Wildlife Ecology, School of Environment and Natural Resources, The Ohio State University
- 3:15 “Success in the City: How the Common Wall Lizard thrives in novel urban environments” **Eric J. Gangloff**, Assistant Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, Ohio Wesleyan University
- 3:45 Closing Remarks

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