

2016

- Sheela Turbek, University of Colorado: The relative significance of migration and sexual signaling in gene flow across replicate hybrid zones

2015

- Emily Hudson, University of Nebraska: Embryonic species recognition in wild songbirds

2014

- Sarah Cleeton Schneider, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: Exploring the role of migratory songbirds in the range expansion of black-legged ticks and the Lyme disease pathogen

2013

- Susan Lyons, University of North Carolina: Behavioral and neural plasticity of Lincoln's Sparrows (*Melospiza lincolnii*): Does song quality exposure early in life matter?

2012

No award given.

2011

- Benjamin Winger, University of Chicago: Understanding variability in population differentiation across a biogeographic barrier

2010

- Kimberly M. Dohms, University of Lethbridge: Phylogeography and population structure of two high-latitude resident North American corvids

2009

- Judit Ungvari-Martin, University of Florida: Bird communities along a tropical soil productivity gradient: Bottom-up effects examined by integrating ecology, behavior and genetics
- Matthew Wilkins, University of Colorado: Multimodal signaling and the evolution of reproductive isolation in two sympatric subspecies of the Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

2008

- Michael Butler, Arizona State University: The effect of early-life challenges and carotenoids intake on adult immune function and coloration in Mallards
- Nancy Chen, Cornell University: MHC and Florida Scrub-jays: Mechanisms maintaining adaptive genetic variation in natural populations

- Christopher Tonra, University of Maine: The physiological underpinnings of seasonal interactions: Does winter habitat limit breeding readiness in a Neotropical migrant songbird?

2007

- Dana L. Moseley, University of Massachusetts-Amherst: Sexual selection and signal function in the song of the Swamp Sparrow (*Melospiza georgiana*)
- Corey E. Tarwater, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: How do life history traits of Neotropical birds influence patterns of parental defense?

2006

- Jennifer A. Hancock, Ohio University: Head-bobbing, foraging behavior and retinal morphology in charadriiform birds
- Sanja Hinic-Frlog, University of California-Davis: Foot-propelled underwater locomotion in swimming birds
- Judith Toms, University of Missouri: Does competition structure the winter bird community in the Dry Scrub Forest of Guanica, Puerto Rico?

2005

- Daniel A. Levitis, University of California-Berkeley: Chemical defense in birds: Linking diet, toxicity and defense
- Frank Rheindt, University of Melbourne: Systematics and character evolution in the *Elaenia albiceps* complex

2004

- Melissa Bowlin, Princeton University: Wing shape and energy efficiency in the migratory Swainson's Thrush
- Johel Chaves-Campos, Purdue University: Factors promoting philopatry in Ocellated Antbirds

2003

- Beth Gulas, University of Chicago: A phylogenetic review of the Pelecaniformes
- Sarah Huber, University of Massachusetts-Amherst: Performance tradeoffs in the flight song displays of *Melospiza melodia*
- Jennifer Long, University of Maine-Orono: Hormonal and cellular mechanisms of increased lipid synthesis during migratory fattening in the Dark-eyed Junco

2002

- Mark Haussman, Iowa State University: How do long-lived birds delay senescence – Development of appropriate models and techniques
- James Rivers, University of California-Santa Barbara: An investigation of the proximate factors that influence begging behavior in the Brown-headed Cowbird

2001

- Keneth Feeley, Duke University: Factors influencing the diversity and abundance of breeding birds in isolated habitat fragments
- David Logue, Colorado State University: A new approach to determine the function of duetting in a Tropical Wren
- Andrea Smith, Queens University: Evolutionary history of the Band-rumped Storm Petrel: A test of sympatric speciation in seabirds

2000

- Alexis Blackmer, University of California-Davis: An energetic explanation for differences in individual quality in Leach's Storm-Petrels
- Kazuya Naoki, Louisiana State University: Community evolution of *Tangara* tanagers in the Neotropics