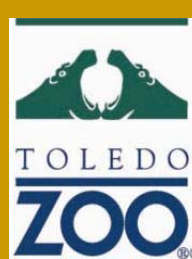


Imperiled Butterfly Conservation & Management

The Toledo Zoo July 13-16, 2009






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Program Overview: Professional training program designed to strengthen the capacity of institutions and their staff to play a strategic role in the emergent and increasingly important field of insect conservation biology, with a targeted focus on imperiled butterfly recovery.

Objectives:

- 1) improve staff practices through technical training, resources, and mentoring
- 2) promote broader information resource exchange between professionals and institutions
- 3) foster increased interaction and collaboration among professionals and institutions
- 4) strengthen institutional ability to develop new or improve existing butterfly conservation programs.



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Schedule

<u>Workshop Host</u>	<u>Date</u>
The Toledo Zoo	July 13-16, 2009
UF/McGuire Center/Florida Museum of Natural History	October 27-30, 2009
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Gardens	March 22-25, 2010
Oregon Zoo	June 24-27, 2010
Chicago Academy of Sciences	June 20-23, 2011

- All workshops focus on captive breeding and reintroduction
- Overview of focal taxa and corresponding conservation programs
- Content will be progressive
- Current workshop field-intensive - targets partnership development and land management



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We received some 136 scholarship and program inquiries from the U.S., Canada, Europe, Africa, and S.E. Asia.

Included in the mix were professionals/individuals from zoos, aquariums, botanical gardens, museums, nature centers, colleges, universities, state and federal wildlife agencies, NGOs, and the U.S. military.

Of these, a total of 50 individuals submitted complete applications.

Response demonstrated the strong individual and institutional interest in the field of insect conservation biology and growing need for continued education and professional training.



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Instructors:

- **Jaret Daniels**, Assistant Director for Research and IFAS Assistant Professor of Entomology, University of Florida
- **Betty Duncckel**, Director, Center for Informal Science Education, Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida
- **Stephanie Sanchez**, Program Coordinator, Butterfly Conservation Initiative
- **David Shepherdson**, Deputy Conservation Division Manager, Oregon Zoo
 - **Mary Jo Andersen**
- **Douglas Taron**, Curator of Biology, Chicago Academy of Sciences
 - **Vincent Olivares**
- **Mitch Magdich**, Curator of Education, Toledo Zoo
- **Peter Tolson**, Director of Conservation and Research, Toledo Zoo
 - **Candee Ellsworth**