

UT SCIENCE FORUM

Fall 2015

Schedule of Speakers

Location: Thompson-Boling Arena: The Café in the Arena, Private Room C-D
Time: 12 noon to 1 p.m. on Fridays
Format: Eat and hear Guest Speaker. Bring your own lunch or purchase it at the Café.
40-minute presentation followed by Q&A discussion period

September 11

Dr. Sharon Jean-Philippe
Assistant Professor of Urban Forestry
"A New Vision for Trees on
the University of Tennessee Campus"

September 18

Dr. Tessa Burch-Smith
Assistant Professor of Biochemistry and
Cellular & Molecular Biology
"Can Anything Good Come Out of GMOs?"

September 25

Wanda DeWaard
Environmental Educator, Earth Kin
"The Mystery and Magic of
Monarch Butterflies"

October 2

Dr. Shannon Mahurin
Staff Scientist, Nanomaterials Chemistry
Group
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
"Desalination: The Quest for Clean Water"

October 9

Dr. Colin Sumrall
Assistant Professor of Ecology
& Evolutionary Biology
"The Origin of Birds: Did the Age
of Dinosaurs Really End?"

October 16

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October 23

Dr. John Schwartz
Associate Professor of Civil &
Environmental Engineering
"Restoring Urban Streams: What Is
'Natural'?"

October 30

David Matthews
Professor and Chair, Interior Design
"Design Thinking and Creative Process:
How Designers Approach Wicked
Problems"

November 6

Dr. Matthew Mench
Condra Chair of Excellence Professor &
Head of Mechanical, Aerospace, &
Biomedical Engineering
"Where Do We Put All the Renewable Energy?"

November 13

Dr. Melissa R. Allen
Post-Doctoral Researcher
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
"Climate Variability and Change: What
Fundamental Science and Modeling Tell Us"

November 20

Natalie Mong
Education Director, Upstate Birds of Prey
"The Fascinating Biology of Birds of Prey"

November 27

NO MEETING — THANKSGIVING
BREAK

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