



2023 Fall Seminar for Associations: Understanding the Changing State of Our Lakes

Saturday, November 4, 2023

by Zoom webinar (9:00am to 11:45am)



AGENDA:

- 9:00am **Welcome & Zoom Tech Overview** by Ian Crawford, FOCA Board President
- 9:10am **FOCA Updates** by Terry Rees, FOCA Executive Director
- 9:20am **FOCA Strategic Plan 2024-2026: a preview for members** by the FOCA Board of Directors
- 9:30am **Ontario's Climate Change report** by Al Douglas, President, Climate Risk Institute
- 9:45am **Below the Waterline: Gradual lake changes with potentially major ecosystem impacts** by our **Feature Speaker Dr. John Smol**, Queen's University Biology & Co-Director of PEARL (dedicated to study long-term global environmental change, especially as it relates to lake ecosystems)
- 10:15am "Coffee" Break
- 10:25am **Status of the Lake Partner Program in 2023** by Gavin Vance, FOCA Assistant Lake Stewardship Coordinator
- 10:40am **Protecting our Great Lakes from Grass Carp: 2023 Captures and Response Efforts** by Lujanne Hamdan, Biologist, Asian Carp Program, Fisheries and Oceans Canada
- 10:55am **Top 5 Aquatic Invasive Plants: Where, Why & What YOU can do about them** by Liana Hryniewicz, Aquatic Program Coordinator, Invasive Species Centre
- 11:10am **FOCA Report Preview: Understanding the Underwater World of Aquatic Plants in Ontario** by Kaleigh Mooney, Aquatic Biology Consultant, Ecological Restoration Program, Trent University/Fleming College
- 11:20am **Loons and Your Lake** by Kathy Jones, Volunteer Manager & Biologist, Ontario Programs, Canadian Lakes Loon Survey & Great Lakes Marsh Monitoring Program; Birds Canada
- 11:35am **Open Q&A** and event wrap up
- 11:45am End

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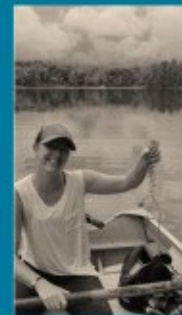
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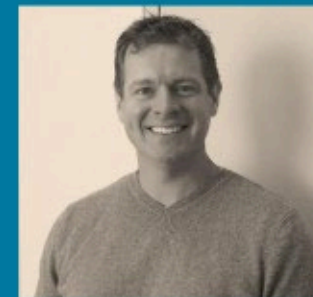
FEATURE SPEAKER:
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Queens University



Kathy Jones, Volunteer Manager
& Biologist, Birds Canada



(L to R) Lujanne Hamdan, Biologist, Asian Carp Program, Fisheries & Oceans Canada
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