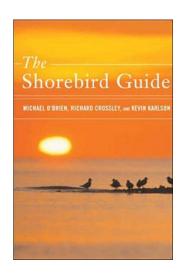
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## The Georgia Ornithological Society's



Fall 2012 Meeting October 11-14, 2012 Villas by the Sea Jekyll Island, Georgia

# KEYNOTE SPEAKER KEVIN KARLSON



Accomplished birder, professional tour leader and wildlife photographer who has published numerous articles on bird identification and natural history for an assortment of magazines, books, and journals. A former photo editor for *North American Birds*, he currently writes the *Birder's ID* column for Wild Bird Magazine. Kevin is a co-author of *The Shorebird Guide* and is currently completing a new book for the Roger Tory Peterson Reference series called *Birding by Impression*.

#### "Birds on the Wind: The Miracle of Migration"

Bird migration is truly one of the most amazing natural wonders in our world today. From the unbelievable 7000 mile nonstop journeys of Bar-tailed Godwits to spectacular raptor concentrations during migration, there are still many unanswered questions about the movements of migratory birds. The program begins with a review of different types of bird migration before highlighting various bird families and select species that perform amazing feats of physical endurance during their bi-annual journeys. Breathtaking photos and several musical interludes add to the interesting nature of this presentation. This light-hearted program appeals to birders and nonbirders alike.



### **Other Conference Highlights:**

## **Workshop: Shorebirds by Impression**

Kevin Karlson



This short indoor workshop presents an alternate approach to shorebird identification. It encourages an initial evaluation of physical impressions to form a surprisingly accurate foundation for your ID conclusion before analyzing feather details or plumage patterns. By concentrating on the size, body shape and structural features of each bird, a reliable set of nonchangeable impressions is formed for each species, unaffected by the many plumage conditions found throughout the year for most shorebirds. Some participants will have the opportunity to put these skills to the test on the next day's field trip, which will be led by Kevin.

#### Field Trips

Led by some of Georgia's top birders to outstanding locales such as:
Altamaha Waterfowl Management Area,
Glennville Water Treatment Facility,
Harris Neck National Wildlife Refuge,
Little St. Simons Island, Jekyll Island,
Cumberland Island National Seashore,
St Catherine's Island, Little Tybee Island
and Sapelo Island

