



**Celebrating Nature, Education, & The Outdoors: Together**  
**February 6-9, 2025**  
**Princess Royale Ocean City, MD**

## 2025 SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Time	Event	Location
<b>Thursday, February 6, 2025</b>		
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Registration/Light Breakfast/Networking	Palmetto 3, 4
10:00 AM - 10:45 AM	Welcome & Keynote Speaker	Palmetto 3, 4
10:45 AM - 10:50 AM	Transition	
10:50 AM - 12:45 PM	Workshops	Caribbean Rooms
12:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Set-Up	Exhibit Hall
12:45 PM - 1:45 PM	Lunch	Palmetto 3, 4
1:45 PM - 2:00 PM	Transition	
2:00 PM - 3:20 PM	Panel: Models of Sustainability	Palmetto 3, 4
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Workshops	Caribbean Rooms
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	Sustainable Schools Reception	Palmetto 3, 4
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Trivia	Schooner's
<b>Friday, February 7, 2025</b>		
7:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Registration/Breakfast	Registration Area/Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
7:00 AM - 7:45 AM	Yoga	TBD
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Exhibitor Breakfast	Exhibit Hall
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Part 1 of 3-Hour Workshops	Palmetto Caribbean Rooms
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break	Exhibit Hall
10:15 AM - 11:45 AM	Part 2 of 3-Hour Workshops	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch	Palmetto 3, 4
12:50 PM - 2:00 PM	Keynote Speaker: Anisa Heming	Palmetto 3, 4
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	Workshops/Sponsor & Exhibitor Roundtables	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms, Exhibit Hall
3:15 PM - 3:30 PM	Transition	Palmetto, Caribbean, Exhibit Hall Rounds
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Workshops	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms
<b>Friday Evening Conference Opening and Welcome</b>		
4:30 PM - 5:15 PM	First Timer's Social and Networking	Schooner's Restaurant
5:15 PM - 6:30 PM	Happy Hour Hors d'oeuvres with Live Band	Palmetto
6:45 PM - 8:45 PM	MAEOE Welcome and Awards	Palmetto
	Keynote Speaker: Symone Barkeley, NOAA	
8:45 PM - 10:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Social	Exhibit Hall

## Saturday, February 8, 2025

7:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Registration/Breakfast	Registration Area/Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
7:00 AM - 7:45 AM	Yoga	TBD
8:00 AM - 8:50 AM	Concurrent Sessions 1	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Exhibitor Breakfast	Exhibit Hall
8:50 AM - 9:00 AM	Transition	
9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	Concurrent Sessions 2/MELAN Networking Meeting	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms, Exhibit Hall
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall
10:30 AM - 10:40 AM	Transition	
10:40 AM - 11:30 AM	Concurrent Sessions 3/MELAN Networking Meeting	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms, Exhibit Hall
11:30 AM - 11:40 AM	Transition to Lunch	
11:40 PM - 12:55 PM	Lunch	Atrium
12:55 PM - 1:00 PM	Transition	
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Exhibit Hall
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Community Meetings	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms
2:00 PM - 2:10 PM	Transition	
2:10 PM - 2:30 PM	Lightning Rounds	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Cookie Break Exhibit Hall	Exhibit Hall
3:00 PM	Silent Auction Ends	Exhibit Hall
3:00 PM - 3:10 PM	Transition	
3:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Breakdown	Exhibit Hall
3:10 PM - 4:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions 4/MELAN Networking Meeting	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms, Exhibit Hall
4:00 PM - 4:10 PM	Transition	
4:10 PM - 5:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions 5	Palmetto, Caribbean Rooms
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Silent Auction Pickup	Exhibit Hall
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Dinner on your own	List of local restaurants available
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Alternate Social	Palmetto
8:30 PM - 11:00 PM	Conference Social with DJ	Palmetto

## Sunday Field Experiences February 9, 2025

TBD	Ocean City Birding	Meet in Lobby
TBD	Duck and Donuts	Meet in Lobby
TBD	Canvas, Coffee, and Cocoa	Meet in Lobby