

# 2019

## LAKE ONTARIO FISHERIES SYMPOSIUM

### Finding Fish on the Move

March 23rd, 2019

Fingerlakes Mall:  
1579 Clark Street Road,  
Auburn, NY 13021  
10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Come see presentations and expert panels to learn about everything from fish basics to cutting edge technology

Door prizes, kids activities, fish tanks and displays, outdoor and fishing gear vendors, and more

Something for everyone from beginners to seasoned veterans

Presenters and panelists will include professional anglers, managers, and scientists from around Lake Ontario

### Symposium Goals

1. Raising awareness about Lake Ontario fisheries and fishing opportunities;
2. Providing new and useful information to a broad range of anglers from the established to the aspiring;
3. Appeal to aspiring anglers to support angler recruitment and retention in sustainable fisheries.

**Keynote Speaker** 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

**Silviya Ivanova, Ph.D. Student** Great Lakes Institute for Environmental Research, University of Windsor

### Symposium Sessions following a welcome announcement @10:00 am

#### MORNING:

##### Lake Ontario Fishery History

How did we end up with the world-class fishery we are experiencing in Lake Ontario today?

10:30 – 11:00: Chris Legard (NYSDEC)

**Finding Fish:** Where are the fish in Lake Ontario and its tributaries and how do I access them?

11:00 – 11:15: Rocky Rockwell (Licensed NY Guide and approved Douglaston Salmon Run Guide)

11:15 – 11:30: Scott Prindle (NYSDEC)

**How do we know where fish are unless we catch them?** Scientists and Captains talk about locating fish with new and old technology.

11:30 – 11:45: Brian Weidel (USGS)

11:45 – 12:00: Captain Bob Songin (Reel Excitement Charters)

12:00 – 12:30: Question-and-Answer Session with morning speakers

#### AFTERNOON:

**Why do fish move:** How do factors like spawning, water temperature, and food resources influence where fish are?

1:00 – 1:30: Dimitry Gorsky (USFWS)

**Now that I know where the fish are, how do I catch them?** Sport fishing in tributaries and Lake Ontario

1:30 – 1:45: Fran Verdoliva (NYSDEC)

1:45 – 2:00: Dave Livingston (Rochester Bassmasters)

**Fish on! Now what?** Fighting, landing, handling, releasing, and preparing/eating fish.

2:00 – 2:15: Steve Levine (Rochester Bassmasters)

2:15 – 2:30: Tom Kielbasinski (NYSDEC)

2:30 – 3:00: Question-and-Answer Session with afternoon speakers

Interested vendors and/or exhibitors please contact Jesse Lepak, New York Sea Grant (JML78@cornell.edu). Vendor fees may include table rental from the Finger Lakes Mall (\$10) and a door prize with a value of \$25 or more.



**Free registration required:**

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