



# BIOLOGIST/BANDER NEEDED

MAY 1, 2015 – MARCH 31, 2016

The Beaverhill Bird Observatory is looking for one highly motivated individual to take on duties of senior biologist position at our summer field station and through the winter in or near Edmonton, Alberta. This individual must be qualified to hold a Canadian Wildlife Service Bird Banding sub-permit or have considerable bird banding experience. This job involves conducting songbird monitoring from May 1 through October 9 and Saw-whet Owl monitoring into early November. In winter this person will analyze data, write and publish reports, give educational presentations and attend other public engagements, and other tasks to be determined. ***The salary is \$3500/month, in addition there is a \$200 monthly stipend to cover travel to and from the bird observatory for the six field months. Bunk house accommodation for the field season is provided.***

Beaverhill Bird Observatory has conducted research and education in Alberta since 1984. Our main areas of interest are monitoring songbird populations during the migration and breeding seasons including mist netting, banding, and daily bird census, monitoring Northern Saw-whet Owls during the fall migration, and public education at the field station and in classrooms.

The successful applicant will have a songbird banding permit or extensive banding experience, and

- strong bird field identification skills particularly of birds of Alberta (by sound and sight) and knowledge of avian ecology are important skills of a successful applicant
- applicant should be familiar with computers in particular Excel and Word
- good writing skills for writing reports, technical papers and weekly updates for the website
- applicant should be comfortable living in rustic conditions (our site is situated at Beaverhill Lake in a Natural Area with solar power and propane and 'path' plumbing.
- good communication skills and the ability to speak in front of groups of visitors
- good interpersonal skills required and some experience with supervising staff is an asset
- safety certifications (First Aid/CPS, WHMIS, etc.)
- ability to speak French would be an asset

## What you need to do

Submit a cover letter that includes the following information:

- ◆ Describe why you want to study birds at Beaverhill Lake and where you received your banding permit from (or describe banding experience including numbers of birds and species).
- ◆ What will you contribute to the position referencing your personal and professional experiences and what you hope to get out of working for the BBO
- ◆ Bird identification courses, who taught them and when you took them

Submit a resume that includes the following information:

- ◆ Your name, phone number(s) and email address
- ◆ All volunteer and work experience
- ◆ References (at least two)
- ◆ Other pertinent information you think you should include



E-mail cover letters and resumes to Geoff Holroyd < geoffholroyd@gmail.com > or mail to Beaverhill Bird Observatory, c/o Box 33, Site 2, RR 2, Tofield, AB TOB 4J0. Only potential candidates will be contacted for an interview.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2015**