

The 1st Rhode Island Plant Insect Community Network Conference

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A Rhode Island Natural History Survey Science Conference

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The RI Plant Insect Community Network (RIPICN) will hold its first conference on **Saturday, March 7, 2026** at the Quonset 'O' Club in North Kingstown, RI.

RIPICN is inviting proposals from researchers, students, and local organizations to present their research and project updates. The conference aims to highlight Rhode Island's biodiversity (with a particular focus on insects, native plants, and organisms connected to the plant-insect network) and the work being done to protect local wildlife and ecosystems. We welcome work being done in RI and out-of-state research that is relevant to RI. Students are highly encouraged to submit proposals. Conference registration will be modest and scholarship support will be available to students.

The deadline for abstract submissions is 5:00 p.m., January 12th.

To review submission guidelines and to submit an abstract, please visit:
<https://tinyurl.com/ripicn2026>

For any questions about submissions, please contact picn@rinhs.org

We are also seeking organizational displays. Organizations interested in a table display should contact picn@rinhs.org

Abstract submission form:



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Dr. Avalon Owens
of The Rowland Institute at Harvard

“Floodlights and fireflies:
Environmental sustainability starts in your front yard”



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