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Congratulations to all of the 2020 grant recipients!

Nisbet Research Award

Maciej Szajda: Using geolocators to understand migratory routes and winter locations of declining, eastern European Black Terns. **Liz Craig**: Using stable isotopes to fill information gaps on diet and foraging ecology of New Hampshire Common and Roseate terns. **Juliet Lamb**: Spatial and disease ecology of Yellow-legged Gulls at the human-wildlife interface.

Kushlan Research Award

Raquel Fransisco: Frequency, diversity, and significance of antimicrobial resistance genes carried by the European White Stork along an anthropogenic risk gradient in Madrid, Spain. **Jonah Gula**: Using Saddlebill Storks as an umbrella species to inform landscape-scale wetland connectivity and conservation planning in western Zambia.

Waterbird Society Research Award

Nickson E. Otieno: Comparing effectiveness of physical barriers and pond fertilization in mitigating predation pressure by three piscivorous waterbirds on freshwater pond-fish. **Erica A. Geldart**: Assessing the adaptive capacity of an Arctic seabird (Common Eider) to increased predation risk from polar bears using non-invasive behavioural and physiological metrics. **Sarah Clements**: Quantifying the causes and consequences of individual decision-making in shorebirds for a fitness perspective on migration habitat conservation.

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