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Session 1B  
Date May 22, 2014  
Time 9:00 – 10:00  
Speaker Michael Mesure

### **Bird Friendly Design**

Valuable songbirds are colliding in enormous numbers with glass buildings. Attendees will learn the magnitude of the bird-glass collision problem and the techniques being developed to prevent it. They will be shown new products that are available or emerging onto the market to reduce bird-glass collisions and advised of their relative effectiveness. They will learn how the siting of a building, its landscape design, and its lighting program can affect the number of bird-glass collisions. They will learn about the increasing number of legislative efforts and code provisions, as well as LEED initiatives, underway to address the problem. They will learn of the increasing number of cities (such as Toronto, Chicago, and Minneapolis) that are developing standards or passing laws or resolutions to address the problem of bird-glass collisions.

### **Speaker bio**

Michael is co-founder and the executive director for FLAP Canada, which was founded in 1993. Since then, he has spearheaded efforts to preserve migrating birds from injurious and fatal collisions with man-made structures. From bird rescue and rehabilitation, FLAP is now focusing more on prevention of bird strikes, and establishing standards for bird-friendly building construction. Michael works tirelessly to educate architects, governments, building owners and managers about the issue, and has presented to many diverse organizations. Michael lives in a rural community with his family and 2 dogs, where he can enjoy birds best, in their natural habitat.

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