

# THE SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER PRESENTS: A NORTH COUNTRY WEEKEND AT THE BALSAMS

**Saturday & Sunday, July 17 & 18, 2010**

**Join Iain MacLeod for a weekend of spectacular wildlife viewing,  
beautiful scenery, and luxurious accommodations.**

## **SATURDAY, JULY 17**

Depart from the Science Center in Holderness at 9:30 am in 15-passenger van and travel north to Errol, NH. We'll board a pontoon boat near the Errol Dam at noon for a tour of the Androscoggin River and Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge to see nesting Bald Eagles, Ospreys, and Common Loons. We'll float along the edge of NH's largest freshwater marsh and look and listen for Marsh Wren and American Bitterns. A picnic lunch will be served on the boat. Later in the afternoon we will head to the Balsam's Grand Resort in Dixville Notch and check in. You are welcome to use all of the hotel



amenities (see [www.thebalsams.com](http://www.thebalsams.com)) before we convene for dinner -- a truly delightful culinary experience. After dinner we will head out in the van to view Moose as they emerge from the woods to eat roadside mud in the twilight. We will return to the hotel after dark, and the rest of the evening is yours to enjoy.



## **SUNDAY, JULY 18**

Iain will lead an optional early morning bird walk at 7:00 am around the grounds of the Balsams. After a

huge breakfast, we will spend the morning exploring the woods and ponds of the north country -- bird highlights might include Black-backed Woodpeckers, Boreal Chickadee, as well as a huge variety of northern forest warblers. We will return to the Balsams at noon for an amazing Sunday lunch. After lunch we will check out and depart by 2:00 p.m. returning to the Science Center by 5:00 p.m.



### **Cost: \$550 per person\***

\* includes van transportation, pontoon boat ticket, lunch on Saturday and Sunday, Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast, overnight accommodations, and leader fees. Does not include purchase of alcohol with meals or hotel gratuities.