

Belize Birding Festival

Saturday, October 3rd 2026

Orange Walk's Multi-Purpose Complex, Orange Walk Town

Agenda

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3rd, 2026 (Orange Walk's Multi-Purpose Complex)

Time	Type of Activity	Details	Duration
6:00 am - 9:00 am	Urban Bird Watch		3 hours
10:00 am	Official Opening of the Festival	Master of Ceremonies - Javier Gutierrez National Anthem, Invocation	15 mins
10:15 am - 10:45 am	Keynote Address	Mr. Philip Balderamos, Registered Birding Tour Guide; Former President of the Belize Audubon Society (1991–1992); Hawk Watch Day Leader with the Belize Bird Conservancy; and eBird Reviewer for Belize	30 mins
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Break		15 mins
11:00 am - 11:15 am	Guest Presentation	Mr. Jorge Ruano, Founder of Belize Birding Expeditions/Tour Guide	15 mins
11:15 am - 11:30 am	Guest Presentation	Ms. Jeniffer Ramirez, Hawk Watch Day Leader with the Belize Bird Conservancy, Tour Guide at Black Rock Lodge	15 mins
11:30 am - 11:35 am	Break		5 mins
11:35 am - 11:40 am	Closing Remarks		5 mins
11:45 am - 12:30 pm	Workshop #1	Belize's Missing Birds: Exploring Potential Birds of Belize and the Evidence Behind Their Sightings with Francis Canto - eBird Reviewer for Belize and Research Coordinator at Belize Karst Habitat Conservation.	45 mins
1:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Workshop #2	Saving the Scarlet Macaw: Conservation Successes, Challenges, and the Road Ahead with Wilmer Guerra, Biodiversity Research, Inventory and Monitoring Technician, Friends for Conservation and Development.	30 mins
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Workshop #3	Birds 101: Discovering the Amazing World of Birds with Sarah Mann, Director of the Belize Raptor Center and Miguel Sho, Environmental Education Officer, Belize Audubon Society.	30 mins
3:00 pm	Closing of the Belize Birding Festival		
6:30 pm	Networking Social		