

# Plenary Session

**Thursday, 16 July  
JMIH Plenary Session  
Grand Sierra Resort and Casino  
Carson 1, 2 & 3**

- 8:00 a.m. Welcome**  
**Chris Feldman, Chair, Local Host Committee**
- 8:15 a.m. Award Presentations**  
ASIH Gibbs, Fitch and Johnson Awards  
SSAR/HL/ASIH Meritorious Teaching Award in Herpetology  
ASIH/AES Meritorious Teaching Award in Ichthyology  
PARC Alison Haskell Award for Excellence in Herpetofaunal Conservation  
PARC Visionary Leader Award  
Joseph Nelson Award
- 8:45 a.m. JMIH Plenary Keynote Speaker**  
**“The Value of Iconoclasm”**  
Dick Tracy, University of Nevada, Reno
- 9:30 a.m. Beverage Break**
- 10:00 a.m. SWPARC Plenary Speaker**  
**“The Best Little Herp Partnership in the West”**  
Kim Lovich, San Diego Zoo Global
- 10:20 a.m. HL Distinguished Herpetologist**  
**“Forty years of snakes and salamanders: Experimental approaches to herpetology”**  
Raymond Semlitsch, Division of Biological Sciences, University of Missouri
- 10:40 a.m. ASIH Past Presidential Address**  
**"Nomenclature, conservation and genomics"**  
H. Bradley Shaffer, University of California, Los Angeles
- 11:00 a.m. AES Plenary Speaker**  
**“The Changing Face of AES”**  
Jennifer Wyffels, South-East Zoo Alliance for Reproduction and Conservations
- 11:20 a.m. Closing and Announcements**