



## Biology and Conservation of the Gunnison Sage-Grouse

### Fort Collins Audubon Society Thursday Evening Program

Thursday, September 11  
Social 7:00 p.m.  
Program 7:30 p.m.  
Columbine Room  
Fort Collins Lincoln Center  
417 W. Magnolia St.  
Fort Collins, CO



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Can too much sex cause extinction? Dr. Jessica Young, Associate Vice President for Academic affairs, Western State College, has worked with Gunnison Sage-grouse for 20 years and was the lead author on the publication that led to its recognition as a newly designated species in 2000. Jessica's talk will focus on the role that the specie's amazing mating system has in causing not only the unique characteristics of the bird, but also may be a factor in its conservation struggles. She will also explore some of the bio-

logical and political challenges facing the species.

Dr. Young received her Ph.D. in ecology, behavior and population genetics from Purdue University and is currently a member of the biology faculty at Western State College in Gunnison, Colorado.

Learn more about the Gunnison Sage Grouse. Join us Thursday, September 11 at the Fort Collins Lincoln Center, Columbine Room starting with refreshments and social time at 7:00 p.m

Looking Ahead: OCTOBER 9 THURSDAY EVENING PROGRAM photographer and author, Dave Showalter, will be the guest of FCAS, speaking about his recently published book, *Prairie Thunder, The Nature of Colorado's Great Plain*.

Don't miss this book signing and photographic journey of Colorado's breathtaking prairie landscape, the wildlife that inhabit it, and learn of the threats to its continued existence.  
Lincoln Center – 7:30 p.m.