

Honoring the Science and Legacy of Joan Browder



A Short List of Joan's Research Topics

- Doctoral research – “Water, Wetlands, and Wood Storks in Southwest FL”
- 46 years of research at NOAA
 - Biscayne Bay Habitats
 - Pink Shrimp
 - Comprehensive Everglades restoration
 - IBEAM – Integrated Biscayne Bay Ecological Assessment and Monitoring
 - Epifauna and benthic habitat associations
 - US Atlantic pelagic longline seabird bycatch
 - FL Bay spotted seatrout, other sportfish, and their prey
 - Sawfish in Miami coastal waters
 - Morphological abnormalities in fish
 - Relationship of estuarine species to freshwater flow in Ten Thousand Island Region
 - Wading bird and seabird species in Florida Bay
 - Diet of sooty terns in the Dry Tortugas

Honors Joan Received

- 2016 Robert Porter Allen Award from Florida Audubon for protecting Florida Bay through science
- Named Dame of the Everglades – an honor also given to Marjorie Stoneman Douglas
- Lifetime Achievement Award from Biscayne Bay Marine Health Coalition (posthumous award)
- Biscayne Bay Watershed Management Advisory Board named a protection plan in her honor – “Joan Browder Wetlands Protection Plan”



Do you have any advice for future women who are going into the field?

“Hold your own. Be persistent. Think for yourself. Speak up for what seems right to you and defend your points.” Joan Browder