

The Kauai Forest Bird Recovery Project seeks experienced banders to volunteer for 2-4 week periods between ~January 15 – February 15, 2012. We will be employing both passive and target mist-netting set-ups to capture Kauai's three endangered forest bird species (Puaiohi, Akikiki, and Akeke'e). These three species will be banded and radio-tagged to investigate home range size and distribution in two habitat types. We will also band and take blood samples from all native and non-native passerines to monitor avian disease in these avian communities.

Mist-netting will be conducted primarily in two study areas. The first, Kawaikoi, is in a state recreational area that has suffered from a great deal of disturbance by alien plant species. The second, Halepa'akai, is a remote site where the native vegetation is still relatively intact.

Minimum qualifications:

- Extensive experience setting up mist nets and extracting passerines from mist nets.
- Must be able to get to Kauai
- Must be able to volunteer for at least 2 weeks

Desirable qualifications

- Experience banding and bleeding birds
- Experience attaching radio transmitters and tracking birds with telemetry

What we provide:

- Housing while in the field
- Rain gear, daypacks, camping gear, and all mistnetting and banding gear during your stay
- An opportunity to work with some of the rarest birds in Hawaii
- A good time and a big THANK YOU!

For more information, please send a current resume to Barbara Heindl at [bheindl AT hawaii.edu](mailto:bheindl@hawaii.edu)