



EXPERIENCE AT THE SERVICE OF CONSERVACIÓN

By Paula Hansen

My name is Paula Hansen, I am 66 years old and I live in the United States. I have been breeding red siskins for 23 years, since 1997. Personally, I very much enjoy working with my birds. Always have been accessible to any questions Leonel, the RSCC Coordinator, would have. I've been on the heels of the Smithsonian since 2002 discovery of Siskins in Guyana. Now I am involved working with the Smithsonian, the Red Siskin Initiative, and STGF organizations for the preservation/conservation of Red Siskin project.

I have received various awards and recognitions related to breeding, including: National Finch and Softbill Society (NFSS) Level 1 NARA in 2010 National Avicultural Recognition Award (NARA) - The highest level for the Finch and Softbill Save (FSS) Program's recognition for breeding success involving multiple sequential generations of Red Siskins endangered CITES-listed bird. Regarding the help that the aviculturists community can provide to support the Red Siskin conservation, the donations through your RSI website seem to be the biggest need for RSI has stepped up to post on their website. You can greatly do better promoting. National Finch and Softbill has a webpage dedicated to updates on RSI, information has been long periods with no updates, and we also have a donation button for your RSI.

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“Aviculturists has the opportunity to support the Red Siskin conservation through donations and support ”