



## The Texas Tree Conference Starts Next Week

### Mark your calendar now for each session!

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Thanks for registering for the Texas Tree Conference and/or Academy. Now's the time to mark your calendar for your sessions.

**How to access your online sessions:** We will send you an email with a link to access each session two days before the session with another email reminder arriving one hour before each session. Then, a few minutes before the session starts, click on the session link in the email to join. The session link is just for you and your ISA CEUs will be tied to it so please don't share it. Also, before joining the sessions, please [check your computer system requirements here](#) to avoid any connection issues.

**Please mark your calendar now:**

**Texas Tree Conference:**

**Session 1: Wednesday, Oct. 7 - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**Session 2: Thursday Oct. 8 - 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (note 9:00 am start time)**

**Session 3: Wednesday, Oct. 14 - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**Session 4: Thursday, Oct. 15 - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**Session 5: Wednesday, Oct 21 - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**Texas Tree Academy:**

**Session A: Wednesday, Nov. 11 - 9 am to 12:00 pm**

**Session B: Thursday, Nov. 12 - 9 am to 12:00 pm**

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**Next week's sessions:**

**Session 1: Wednesday, Oct. 7 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

*Cost of Not Maintaining Trees - Growing Urban Forests & Sustainability*  
Dr. Rich Hauer, Professor of Urban Forestry, University of Wisconsin,  
Stevens Point

(Sponsored by Top Notch Tree Farm and the Texas A&M Forest Service)



Arborists, urban foresters, and decision makers often look at urban trees and green infrastructure as a cost. The cost of planting, maintaining, and removing vegetation often gives way to a pause during times of budgeting and decision making. Are these urban tree actions really costs, or an investment that pays dividends? You will discover how the benefits of urban trees and green spaces are linked directly to public investments in tree care. There is really no free urban forest lunch.

*Healthy Trees Healthy People: Just What the Tree Ordered*  
Dr. Rich Hauer, Professor of Urban Forestry, University of Wisconsin,

Stevens Point  
(Sponsored by ArborSystems and Brabandt Equipment)

A dose of trees is what the doctor prescribes. Much like stages of tree development, the stages of human development have many connections to green spaces. We take a journey into the medical literature from birth to the life prolonging effects that trees provide. We take a journey into practical tree biology for practical application by an arborist, urban & community forester and others. A pandemic is among us, but a panacea of healthy trees for healthy people is just what the doctor ordered.



**Session 2: Thursday Oct. 8 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**

*The Incidental Line Clearance Arborist and the Line-Clearance Arborist: Who can do what?*

John Ball, Professor, Extension Forestry Specialist, South Dakota State University, Brookings

(Sponsored by Tracked Lifts, Inc. and All Access Equipment)

Many of us remember the old "4-minute rule" where we had to bring a dummy down in four minutes. The reason for this rule was the mistaken idea that a common incident from contact with an electric

current was V-fib and we needed to quickly start CPR. This session will cover the most common incidents that occur to line-clearance arborists and the first-aid training and supplies needed to treat injured workers.

*The Z133: Where is it heading?*

John Ball, Professor, Extension Forestry Specialist, South Dakota State University, Brookings  
(Sponsored by Blue Mountain Equipment—STIHL)

Requirements for Arboricultural Operations is our bible for safely navigating the numerous hazards in our field. This session will cover how the Z came to be, how the standard has evolved since the 1970s and what new changes we might see in the 20s. This session will also cover the most common incidents and the hazards the Z is attempting to modify, reduce or eliminate.



*A300 Part 2 Soil Management*

Dr. Christopher Fields-Johnson, Davey Institute, Scottsville, Virginia

(Sponsored by Brabandt Equipment)

Forest trees connect to soils through complex relationships with pore space, organic matter, minerals and microbial life. Urban trees often struggle when these relationships break down as a consequence of compaction and organic matter losses. We can reconnect trees with soils

and reestablish these relationships through practices which reestablish soil structure, increase organic matter and balance soil chemistry.

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