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TEXAS TREE CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 29 — OCTOBER 1, 2021 | WACO CONVENTION CENTER

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THE TEXAS CHAPTER INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ARBORICULTURE

You Are Invited!

Wednesday Evening Arborist Social
September 29 from 6-8 PM

Join fellow arborists for free food and drink in this unique outdoor venue. Visit with friends and make new ones.

FREE!

if you are registered to attend the Texas Tree Conference. Wear your nametag or if you are already registered online and get in late just come over—we will check you in at the door.

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

The Backyard Bar Stage and Grill
511 S. 8th Street, Waco, Texas



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Texas Tree Conference

General Session 8:00 am - 11:45 am

McLennan Rooms 208 - 209

8:00 - 8:15

Welcome by ISAT President, A.J. Thibodeaux

8:15 - 9:15

Trees and Wind: Hurricanes, Tree Survivability, and a More Resilient Urban Landscape

Dr. Ryan Klein, Assistant Professor of Arboriculture, University of Florida, Gainesville

9:15 - 10:15

The '21 Texas Blizzard: Aftermath

Sheila McBride, AgriLife Program Extension Specialist, Texas A&M Plant Disease Diagnostic Lab, College Station

10:15 - 10:45 **Break with Exhibitors**

10:45 - 11:45

Is it an Urban Forest or More a Collection of Trees?

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

Overview




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7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration Desk + Bookstore open
7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Trade Show open
7:00 am - 7:50 am	Breakfast with Exhibitors
8:00 am - 11:45 am	General Session
12:00 pm - 1:15 pm	Awards Luncheon (Brazos Ballroom)
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Breakout Sessions
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Exhibitor Reception - Free Drinks and Food at the Trade Show

Municipal Track McLennan Room 207	Commercial Track McLennan Room 209	Utility Track Bosque Theater
<p>1:30 - 2:15 pm</p> <p>Inspiring the Next Generation of Arborists <i>Dr. Hans Williams, Dean Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture, Stephen F. Austin University</i></p> <p>2:15 - 3:00 pm</p> <p>Climate Change and Its Impact on Urban Trees <i>Dr. Ryan Klein, Assistant Professor of Arboriculture, University of Florida, Gainesville</i></p> <p>3:00 - 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>Break with Exhibitors</p> <p>3:30 - 4:15 pm</p> <p>Sustainable Urban Forestry <i>Paul Johnson, Director of Urban and Community Forestry, Sustainable Forestry Initiative, Austin</i></p> <p>4:15 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Benefits of Urban Wood Utilization & Adaptive Tree ReUse <i>Devin Ginther, President, Texas Urban Sawmill, LLC, Dripping Springs</i></p>	<p>1:30 - 2:15 pm</p> <p>Risk Perception: Its Impact on Tree Risk Assessment and the Influence of Industry Professionalism <i>Dr. Ryan Klein, Assistant Professor of Arboriculture, University of Florida, Gainesville</i></p> <p>2:15 - 3:00 pm</p> <p>Evaluating Root Rots of Trees in Texas <i>Dr. David Appel, Professor, Department of Plant Pathology and Microbiology, Texas A&M University, College Station</i></p> <p>3:00 - 3:30 pm</p> <p>Break with Exhibitors</p> <p>3:30 - 4:15 pm</p> <p>How Trees Grow Old and Fall Over <i>Skip Kincaid, Executive Director of the Southern Chapter of ISA, St. Louis, Missouri</i></p> <p>4:15 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Communicating with a Diverse Workforce <i>Erick Palacios, Instructor, International Arborist Institute, Magalia, California</i></p>	<p>1:30 - 2:15 pm</p> <p>History of Utility Forestry <i>Geoff Kempter, Technical Services Manager, Asplundh, Grand Rapids, MI</i></p> <p>2:15 - 3:00 pm</p> <p>The Unqualified and Incidental Line Clearance Arborist: How do we keep them safe? <i>Dr. John Ball, Professor, Extension Forestry Specialist, South Dakota State University, Brookings</i></p> <p>3:00 - 3:30 pm</p> <p>Break with Exhibitors</p> <p>3:30—4:15 pm</p> <p>Texas Trees, Plants, Their Pollinators and the Communities Who Support Them <i>Barbara Willy, Director of Monarch Gateway, Sugar Land, Texas</i></p> <p>4:15 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>How To Grow Your Conflict Resolution Skills <i>Dr. Emily Landon, Professor, St. Mary's School of Law, San Antonio and Attorney, Texas Attorney General, Austin</i></p>

Friday, October 1

Texas Tree Conference

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Friday, October 1	Search for 'Texas Tree Conference' or scan the QR code below to download the app to your device:   	
7:00 am - 10:30 am		Registration Desk + Bookstore open
7:00 am - 10:30 am		Trade Show + Silent Auction
7:00 am - 7:50 am		Breakfast with Exhibitors
8:00 am - 9:00 am		ISAT Annual Meeting
9:00 am - 12:00 pm		Breakout Sessions
9:30 am - 3:30 pm		Texas Tree Schools
12:30 pm - 4:30 pm		ISA Certified Arborist Exam

ISAT Business Meeting General Session - 8:00 am - 9:00 am | McLennan Room 209

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9:00 - 10:00 am Your Ash is on the Line! (EAB) <i>Dana Coelho, Urban and Community Forestry Program Manager, Colorado State Forest Service, Bloomfield, Colorado</i>	9:00 - 10:00 am Applying TRAQ in the Real World <i>Geoffrey Kempter, Technical Services Manager, Asplundh Tree Experts, Grand Rapids, Michigan</i>	9:00 - 10:00 am Are You a Boss Or a Leader? <i>Randall Miller, Director of Research and Development, CNUC, Des Moines, Iowa</i>
10:00 - 10:30 am Break with Exhibitors	10:00 - 10:30 am Break with Exhibitors	10:00 - 10:30 am Break with Exhibitors
10:30 - 11:15 am Grafting Volunteers Into a Blossoming Program <i>Meredith Tilley, Assistant Parks and Recreation Manager and Michael Nentwich, Arborist, Etter Tree Care, San Antonio</i>	10:30 - 11:15 am Bark and Ambrosia Beetles: Ecology, Identification and Management <i>Demian Gomez, Regional Forest Health Coordinator, Texas A&M Forest Service, Austin</i>	10:30 - 11:15 am Integrated Vegetation Management Best Management Practices <i>Randall Miller, Director of Research and Development, CNUC, Des Moines, Iowa</i>
11:15 am - 12:00 pm Dallas' Green Prescription <i>Lannie McClelen, Southwestern Medical District Project Coordinator, Rachel McGregor, Staff Forester, Texas Tree Foundation, Dallas</i>	11:15 am - 12:00 pm SOIL MOISTURE: Top Factor for Newly Planted Tree Survival <i>Wei Zhang, Ph.D., Vice President for Research and Development, Zynnovation LLC</i>	11:15 am - 12:00 pm Using Drones in the Right of Way <i>Ben Thorp, Utility Forester, AEP, Laredo</i>

The Texas Tree Schools 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

These workshops are not part of the main conference and require separate registration (lunch is included)

Track 1 English: An Introduction to Arboriculture

Texas North

Lead instructor is Certified Arborist Guy LeBlanc of Arbor Vitae Tree Care of Austin, assisted by Board Certified Master Arborist Paul Johnson, Sustainable Forestry Initiative.

Pista 2: Jornadas para Trabajadores de Arboles

Ranger Room

Instructors are Eduardo Medina, Davey Tree Expert Company, Chicago, IL, Erick Palacios, International Arborist Institute, Magalia, CA, Bill Green, Forester, Texas A&M Forest Service and Mark Duff, Principal, Mark Duff Consulting.

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12:00 pm—5:00 pm Tree Climbing Championship at Redwood Shelter, Cameron Park

Saturday, October 2

8:00 am—12:00 pm Tree Climbing Championship—Masters

Many thanks to the 2021 Texas Tree Conference
Planning Committee Volunteers!

Mark Bird, 2021 Texas Tree Conference Chair



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