

2027 OHIO TREE CARE CONFERENCE
Program Grid Worksheet

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

7:00 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast (River Birch B-D)	
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Certified Arborist Review Course Pre-Registration Required (Barrel Room)	
	General Track (Woodhull A-E)	Research Track (River Birch A)
9:00 am - 10:00 am	TBD: NRS Urban Elm Research Overview Dr. Leila Wilson, USDA Forestry Service	
10:15 am - 11:30 am	Plant Healthcare Trucks Overview, Capabilities and Limitations Guy Fortner, Bartlett Tree Experts	Annual Research Update Zack Shier, Joseph Tree Service
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch (Ohio Event Center)	
12:45 pm - 1:45 pm	Pneumatic Air Excavation - A World Beneath The Surface Andrew Freeman, Ohio Tree MD, LLC	Tree Inspection Drill Bernd Luell, IML
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Targeting the Trunk: Mastering the Art and Science of Stem Injections Andy Turkington, Davey	TBD Bernd Luell, IML
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	Utility Vegetation Management: A History of Conflicts and Potential Solutions Geoff Kempter	
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm	Hold My Beer Research: A 40-year Perspective on Observational Research and the Evolution of Arboricultural Practices Alan Siewert, Bur Oak Training, Consulting & Design	
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Grand Opening of Exhibit Hall (Ohio Event)	

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

7:00 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast (Ohio Event Center)			
7:30 am - 5:30 pm	Certified Arborist Review Course / Pre-Registration Required (Barrel Room)			
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Keynote Presentation (Woodhull) -- Tree Risk Mitigation -- Dr. Greg Dahle, West Virginia University			
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Break			
	Commercial (Woodhull A-D)	Municipal (River Birch A)	Utility (Woodhull E)	Climbers' Corner (Ohio Event Center)
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Structural Pruning a.k.a Young Tree Development Gregory Dahle, West Virginia University	Inventories for Urban Forest Engineering Alan Siewert, Bur Oak LLC	What Are We Missing: A 35-Year Perspective on Utility Arboriculture Geoff Kempter	Is Bigger Better? Zach Richards, Richards Tree Care
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	New Member Welcome Reception (Bar at Ohio Event Center)			
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch (Ohio Event Center)			
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Insect and Disease Issues after Extreme Weather Chris Riley, Bartlett Tree Experts	Green Columbus Tree Nursery and Giveaway Program Shelly Douglas, Green Columbus	Estimating Tree Growth Response to Utility Pruning Seth Blair, Eocene	Enter the Draggin' Zach Richards, Richards Tree Care
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Emergency Response for Emotional Clients in Times of Crises Karen Cox, West Virginia University	Sharing Space: Utilities and trees in the ROW Jobie McCoy, Jobie's Tree Service	AI and the future of Utility Work Planning Christine Halpin, Treeswift	Be Your Own Hero Zach Richards, Richards Tree Care
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Modern Tree Nutrition Using Foliar and Soil Testing Zach Shier, Joseph Tree Service	What Can Tree Rings in Ohio Tell Us About the Past? Greg Wile, College of Wooster	The Evolution of IVM Geoff Kempter	It's Span-tastic! Zach Richards, Richards Tree Care
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Buckeye Bash (Ohio Event Center)			
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Buckeye Bash After Hours (Ohio Event Center)			

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00 am - 9:30 am	Annual Breakfast Meeting & Education (Ohio Event Center)			
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	ISA Written Exams / Registration begins at 8:30 am (Barrel Room)			
	Commercial (Woodhull A-D)	Municipal (River Birch A)	Utility (Woodhull E)	Climbers' Corner (Ohio Event Center)
10:00 am - 11:00 am	The Weakest Link - Where do Branch Failures Occur Most Often? Andrew Koeser, Davey Tree Expert	Asian Longhorned Beetle - Working Towards Eradication Courtney Fulks and Jonathan Shields, Ohio Department of Agriculture	Safety and Human Performance Paul Hurysz, Davey Resource Group	The Best of Both Worlds Zach Richards, Richards Tree Care
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Drought and Deluge: Ohio's Future? Aaron Wilson, Ohio State University		The Evolution of IVM Samantha Trabosh, First Energy	How good is your Crane Game? Zach Richards, Richards Tree Care
11:30 am - 12:45 pm	Lunch (Ohio Event Center)			
	All Tracks Combined (Woodhull)			
12:45 pm - 1:45 pm	Z133 Standards and Weathering the Extremes Brian Goodall, Russell Tree Experts			
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	From Darkness To Dawn: Working In The Managed Landscape Tree Amigas			

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Certified Arborist Review Schedule

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7:00 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast - Ohio Event Center
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Tree Biology Paul Snyder, Secrest Arboretum
9:30 am - 10:30 am	Tree Risk Assessment and Management Joe Moeglin, ODNR Division of Forestry
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Tree Selection Brian Kralovic, LaRoche Tree Service
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Lunch
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Installation and Establishment Cody LaRoche, LaRoche Tree Service
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Tree Support & Lightning Protection Brian Kralovic, LaRoche Tree Service
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Tree Identification Brady Holka, Davey Tree Expert
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Diagnosis and Plant Disorder Kodi Riedel, Davey Tree Experts
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Grand Opening of Exhibit Hall

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8:30 am - 9:00 am	Soil Science Andrew Freeman, Ohio Tree MD LLC
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Water Management Andrew Freeman, Ohio Tree MD LLC
9:30 am - 10:30 am	Plant Health Care Brady Holka, Davey Tree Expert
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Pruning Brian Kralovic, LaRoche Tree Service
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch (Ohio Event Center)
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Trees and Construction Andrew Freeman, Ohio Tree MD LLC
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Tree Nutrition and Fertilization Andrew Turkington, Davey Tree Expert
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Tree Worker Safety & First Aid Brian Goodall, Russell Tree Experts
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Climbing and Working in Trees Brian Goodall, Russell Tree Experts
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