

**21st ANNUAL
Urban Forestry & Horticulture
Conference**

**Tuesday, March 22, 2016
Cross Point Church of Christ
1360 Cox Creek Parkway
Florence, AL 35633**

*The Beauty
of
Natives*



**the city of
Florence
ALABAMA**



**Mayor's Office
P.O. Box 98
Florence, AL 35631**

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR MICKEY HADDOCK...

The City of Florence is delighted to present the 21st Annual Urban Forestry & Horticulture Conference. A great program is planned featuring outstanding speakers who are most knowledgeable in their fields of Horticulture, Urban Forestry, and Pesticide application. Please note that this year the Urban Forestry and Pesticide programs will be combined. Those seeking re-certification points should attend all of the Urban Forestry/Pesticide combined presentations. Also featured are local vendors who will have a variety of plants and gardening items available for purchase.

We trust you will enjoy yourself and be able to apply your newfound knowledge in your future projects.

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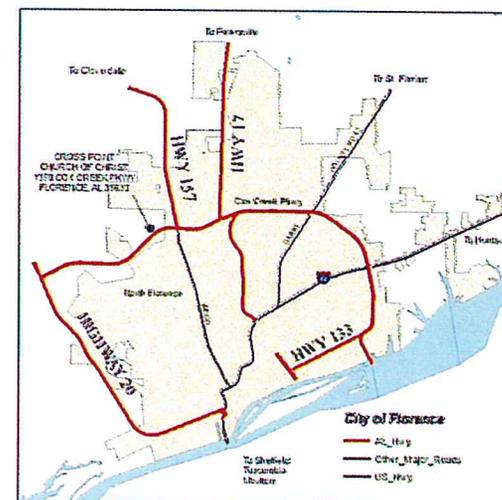
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REGISTRATION FORM

Mail completed form and fee by March 15 to:
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Registration Limited to 200 persons
Check: Primary Session of Interest
 Urban Forestry/Pesticides
 Horticulture

Please Print:

Name: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
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Registration Fee (Includes materials, breaks and lunch) - **\$45.00**

On Site Registration - \$50

Please make check payable to: City of Florence – 2016 Conference

Questions: (256) 760-6400 **No Registration by telephone**

Conference Sponsors

City of Florence Mayor and City Council Office

City of Florence Department of Urban Forestry

Florence Beautification Board

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Vendors/Exhibitors/Contributors

Across the Pond

Cross Point Carpenter Brothers

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Porter Garden Center

Shoal Creek Stone

Stumpe Backyard Nursery

KEYNOTE:

Harry E. Wallace, Owner of Little Cypress Natives, Florence. He and his wife, Linda, opened Little Cypress Natives Nursery and Landscaping in 1995. In 2013, along with Chris and Rebecca Hovater, they opened Shoal Creek Stone on Highway 72, Florence.

The Beauty of Native Trees and Shrubs.

Reasons for the comeback in the use of natives. Problems created by using non-natives. New native introductions recently on the market and how they can be used in landscape. The overall purpose is to encourage using more native plants for urban and home use.

URBAN FORESTRY/PESTICIDES:

Fred Kapp, AUFA Program Manager.

Pesticide Dilution, Calibration and Application.

A review of key concepts in pesticide use including formulation and application math.

Dan Albright, ACRT, Inc. Manager HR/Fleet/Safety (East).

Emerald Ash Borer, Implications for the Urban Forest.

Presentation of answers to several questions related to Emerald Ash Borer. What is it, what does it do, what does it attack, how does it spread, how do you detect it, what others have done, and why should it matter to you. An in-depth discussion of the scope of the damage, the benefits of assessment and education, and how to control cost and liability. Also covers different approaches to dealing with the pest, the different treatment options, and the impacts to utilities and municipalities.

Fred Kapp, AUFA Program Manager.

Managing Weeds in Turf and the Urban Forest.

An overview of common weed ID and management including invasive trees and shrubs along with grasses and forbs.

Taylor Vandiver, ACES Regional Extension Agent, Home Grounds, Gardens and Home Pests.

Pesticide Safety and Use.

A discussion of how pesticides are classified and how to read a pesticide label; what information you need to look for before, during, and after you use a pesticide; common hazards associated with using pesticides; how you can prevent them from happening, and what to do if one occurs. Other topics include: the fate of pesticides in the environment, equipment necessary to handle and apply pesticides, health hazards associated with the misuse of pesticides, and "targeting the enemy" using integrated pest management.

PESTICIDE attendees who want the full 10 points MUST attend all pesticide sessions. Individual sessions are open to all attendees.

HORTICULTURE:

Damien J. Simbeck, Watershed Representative, Tennessee Valley Authority.

Whitey Hall Memorial Garden, Invasive Jungle to Native Showcase.

The Tennessee Valley Authority has partnered with many organizations and volunteers to convert a jungle of Chinese Privet into a native plant garden. Currently, the garden contains over 100 species of native trees, shrubs, and wildflowers and has become a showcase destination for tourists, school groups, and area citizens.

Taylor Vandiver, ACES Regional Extension Agent; Home Grounds, Gardens and Home Pests.

Landscaping with Native Plants and Trees.

Learn how to use native plants and trees to diversify and have a sustainable landscape.

Harry Wallace, Owner, Little Cypress Natives and Shoal Creek Stone.

Using Native Stone in the Landscape.

Short history on the use of stone. Reasons for using stone, types of uses including walls, patios, walks, steps, water features, and drainage. Basic factors to consider in the use of stone.

Loretta Young Gillespie, Retired from GM and is a freelance writer and columnist.

Tablescapes.

This presentation will focus on designing tablescapes using live plants, mosses, and other natural woodland elements under glass; using a tree stump as a stand for the garden under glass; demonstration of various ways to use the garden including using portions of it as a water garden centerpiece.

John T. Manion, Kaul Wildflower Garden Curator, Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

Native Plants: Beauty with Benefits.

Who can deny the beauty of a wildflower meadow; or even a highway median planted with wildflowers? However, to truly appreciate the importance of using natives in our landscapes, we must dig deeper to understand their many other important benefits.

ENDNOTE:

Fred Kapp, AUFA Program Manager. Fred is a Clemson University Horticulture graduate with a Master's in Adult Ed from Alabama. He is retired from the Alabama Community College System. In addition to his current position with AUFA, he is the Education Director for the Green Industry Web Portal.

Top Twenty Pest Resistant Trees.

A survey of landscape and urban trees that are more adaptable to our soils and climate that typically are considered more pest-free than others.

7:30-8:00		Registration
8:00-8:05	Opening	Dee Hubbert, Chair, Beautification Board
8:05-8:15	Welcome	Mayor Mickey Haddock
8:15-9:00	Keynote	Harry E. Wallace
Urban Forestry/Pesticides		
9:00-10:00	Speaker	Fred Kapp
10:00-10:30		Break – Shop the Vendors
10:30-11:30	Speaker	Dan Albright
11:30-12:30		Lunch – Shop the Vendors
12:30-1:30	Speaker	Fred Kapp
1:30-2:30	Speaker	Taylor Vandiver
Horticulture		
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1:00-1:45	Speaker	Loretta Gillespie
1:45-2:30	Speaker	John Manion
2:30-3:00		Break – Shop the Vendors
3:00-4:00	Endnote	Fred Kapp
4:00		Door Prizes – Must be Present to Win