

CONNECTICUT INVASIVE PLANT WORKING GROUP

2024 Symposium

Real Talk: Making an Impact in Invasive Plant Management

Tuesday, October 29, 2024, 9 am – 5 pm UConn Student Union, Storrs, CT

REGISTRATION and additional information: cipwg.uconn.edu/2024-symposium

Registration: \$85

Matriculated Student Registration: \$35

Registration fee includes: Lunch, Parking, Pesticide Recertification credits (pending state approval)

Time	SCHEDULE
8 am	Check-in opens
9 am	WELCOME: CIPWG Co-Chairs
	DEAN REMARKS: Dr. Indrajeet Chaubey, Dean, UConn CAHNR
9:30	MORNING SESSION: Victoria Wallace and Lauren Kurtz, UConn; Bryan Connolly, ECSU: CIPWG's Role in Combatting Invasive Plants
10:30	Break
10:45	KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Peter Picone, CT DEEP:
	For the Love of PlantsTo Plant or Not to Plant? A Wildlife Biologist's Perspective
11:45	Lunch
1:15	LESLIE J. MEHRHOFF AWARD
1:35	Transition to Breakouts
1:45	GROUP A SESSIONS: Breakout Sessions 1, 2, 3
	1) Case Studies in Managing Tree of Heaven and Mugwort: <i>Speakers</i> : Art Gover, Penn State; Jatinder Aulakh, CAES. <i>Moderator</i> : Todd Mervosh, TM Agricultural & Ecological Services
	2) Leveraging Community Engagement: <i>Speakers</i> : Bill Marshall, South Windsor Invasive Plants Working Group; Greg Foran, Town of Glastonbury; Sarah Hutchison; Lisa Brodlie. <i>Moderator</i> : Vickie Wallace, UConn, CIPWG Co-chair
	3) Pollinator Meadows at Robbins Swamp Wildlife Management Area Help Support Native Wild Bees and Monarchs: <i>Speakers</i> : Kelsey Fisher and Tracy Zarrillo, CAES. <i>Moderator</i> : Joshua Tracy, South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority
3:00	Break
3:15	GROUP B SESSIONS: Breakout Sessions 4, 5, 6
	4) Aquatic Invasive Plant Management and Prevention: <i>Speakers</i> : Jeremiah Foley and Greg Bugbee, CAES. <i>Moderator</i> : Lauren Kurtz, UConn
	5) Common Questions about Invasive Plant Management (Panel): <i>Speakers</i> : Todd Mervosh, TM Agricultural & Ecological Services; Christian Allyn, Invasive Plant Solutions; Kathy Connolly, Speaking of Landscapes, Inc. <i>Moderator</i> : Emmett Varricchio, CIPWG Co-chair
	6) Native Plant Availability: <i>Speakers</i> : David Lee, Saratoga Bareroot Nursery; Alyssa Siegel-Miles and Sara Tomis, UConn Extension; Darryl Newman, Planters' Choice Nursery. <i>Moderator</i> : Peter Picone, CT DEEP
4:30	Transition to Closing Remarks
4:40	CLOSING REMARKS: Joshua Tracy, Regional Water Authority
5:00	End