

Eastern Region
of North America



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INTERNATIONAL PLANT PRODUCTION SOCIETY
EASTERN REGION
SEELBACH HILTON
LOUISVILLE, KY
OCTOBER 14 - OCTOBER 17, 2025

SCHEDULE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

- 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM** BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (ROSE ROOM)
4:00 PM HOTEL CHECK IN BEGINS
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN (GRAND BALLROOM FOYER)
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM AUCTION ITEMS ACCEPTED AT REGISTRATION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

- 6:00 AM** REGISTRATION OPEN, GRAND BALLROOM LOBBY
7:00 AM COFFEE/TEA AND FRUIT/BREAKFAST BARS
(Available near registration)
8:00 AM LOAD BUSES FROM SEELBACH HILTON
8:30 AM CHURCHILL DOWNS
10:15 AM DEPART CHURCHILL DOWNS
10:45 AM ARRIVE AT THE PARKLANDS OF FLOYD PARK
1:15 PM DEPART THE PARKLANDS OF FLOYD PARK
(Lunch will be provided)
1:45 PM CAVE HILL CEMETERY
2:00 PM DEPART CAVE HILL CEMETERY
4:45 PM ARRIVE BACK AT SEELBACH HILTON
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM WELCOME RECEPTION (RATHSKELLER ROOM)
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM SILENT AUCTION & POSTER ROOM OPEN



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

- 6:00 AM** REGISTRATION OPEN, GRAND BALLROOM LOBBY
7:00 AM SILENT AUCTION & POSTER ROOM OPEN
Grand Ballroom West
7:00 AM COFFEE/TEA AND FRUIT/BREAKFAST BARS
(Available near registration)
8:00 AM GENERAL SESSION BEGINS
Grand Ballroom East
8:00 AM OPENING REMARKS: SHELBY FRENCH
2024-25 IPPS-Eastern Region President
8:15 AM PROPAGATION AND PRODUCTION OF OAKS
Derek Humbert & Tina Carr, Woody Warehouse Nursery
8:45 AM KEYNOTE ADDRESS: GREEN HEART STUDY - HOW PLANTS AFFECT OUR HEALTH
Aruni Bhatnagar, Ph.D. FAHA
Professor of Medicine Chief, Division of Environmental Medicine
9:45 - 10:00 AM BREAK
10:00 AM GRAFTING WHITE OAK ON SWAMP WHITE ROOT SYSTEM
Adam McClanahan, Robinson Nursery
10:30 AM IPPS EASTERN REGION AWARDS
Matt Palmieri, Past President, IPPS Eastern Region
10:50 AM STUDENT POSTER INTRODUCTIONS
11:15 AM OAK CRYOPRESERVATION & KENTUCKY CLOVER STUDIES
Dr. Megan Philpott, Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden
11:45 PM GRAB LUNCH AND AFTERNOON TOURS DEPART
(Attendees pickup box lunch & board bus)
12:45 PM BUFFALO TRACE DISTILLERY TOUR
3:00 PM WILSON'S NUSERIES
4:25 PM SUMMER'S NURSERY & LANDSCAPE
6:00 PM RETURN TO THE SEELBACH HILTON
(Free Evening for Attendees, meal not provided)
8:00 PM SILENT AUCTION & POSTER ROOM CLOSED

OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

- 7:00 AM REGISTRATION OPEN, GRAND BALLROOM LOBBY**
- 7:00 AM SILENT AUCTION & POSTER ROOM OPEN**
Grand Ballroom West
- 7:00 AM COFFEE/TEA AND FRUIT/BREAKFAST BARS**
(Available near registration)
- 8:00 AM GENERAL SESSION BEGINS**
Grand Ballroom East
- 8:00 AM EXPANDING THE PALETTE OF NATIVE PLANTS**
Brian Jorg, Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden
- 8:30 AM MY FAVORITE PLANTS FROM THE PAST**
Bill Hendricks, Klyn Nursery (retired)
- 9:00 AM VINTAGE VIBES FOR MODERN TIMES**
Steve Castorani, North Creek Nurseries
- 9:30 AM CONTRIBUTIONS FROM PAST PLANTSMAN**
Mike Hayman
- 10:00 AM BREAK**
- 10:15 AM PERENNIAL PLANTS I LOVE**
Allen Bush Jelitto, Perennial Seed (retired)
- 10:45 AM BEST AND FAVORITE PLANTS I HAVE GROWN!**
Tim Brotzman, Brotzman's Nursery
- 11:45 PM GRAB LUNCH AND AFTERNOON TOURS DEPART**
(Attendees pickup box lunch & board bus)
- 12:30 PM RIVERFARM NURSERY**
- 2:20 PM YEW DELL BOTANICAL GARDENS**
- 5:00 PM RETURN TO THE SEELBACH HILTON**
- 5:00 PM SILENT AUCTION & POSTER ROOM OPEN**
Grand Ballroom West
- 6:00 PM COCKTAIL HOUR**
The Oak Room
- 7:00 PM DINNER IS SERVED**
The Oak Room
- 7:45 PM SILENT AUCTION CLOSING & LIVE AUCTION BEGINS**
The Oak Room
- 9:00 PM AUCTION CASH OUT AND ITEM PICK UP**
Grand Ballroom West

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

- 7:30 AM REGISTRATION OPEN, GRAND BALLROOM LOBBY**
- 7:30 AM POSTER ROOM OPEN**
Grand Ballroom West
- 7:00 AM COFFEE/TEA AND FRUIT/BREAKFAST BARS**
(Available near registration)
- 8:30 AM GENERAL SESSION BEGINS**
Grand Ballroom East
- 8:30 AM RUNNING AWAY FROM HOME- SEED DISPERSAL**
Dr. Bob Geneve, University of Kentucky
- 9:00 AM DEALING WITH BOX TREE MOTH: IDENTIFYING THE BEST BOXWOOD CULTIVARS USING GENETICS**
Dr. Theresa Culley, University of Cincinnati
- 9:30 AM EASTERN REGION BUSINESS MEETING**
- 10:00 AM COFFEE BREAK**
- 10:15 AM IPPS 2026**
Liz Dunham Erickson, Knight Hollow Nursery
- 10:30 AM PEST UPDATES**
Joe Boggs, Assistant Professor, Department of Extension, Courtesy Appointment in Entomology
- 11:00 AM SPEAKER PANEL Q&A**
- 11:30 AM NEW PLANT FORUM**
Rachel Conley
- 12:00 PM PROGRAM ENDS**
Please know you are welcome to join us for the Board of Directors Meeting from 12:15 – 1:15



ATTENDANCE

CONFERENCE PASSES

PRICING

\$ 600.00	Four day member pkg
\$ 775.00	Four day non-member pkg
\$ 525.00	Three day member pkg (no pre-tour)
\$ 700.00	Three day non-member pkg
\$125.00	Pre-Tour Only (Tuesday)
\$150.00	Pre-Tour Only Non-Member (Tuesday)
\$ 220.00	Wed only: member
\$ 300.00	Wed only: non-member
\$ 270.00	Thurs only: member
\$ 350.00	Thurs. only: non-member
\$ 60.00	Fri. only: member
\$ 75.00	Fri. only: non-member

INCLUSIONS

- **Four Day Pkg:** Includes Welcome Reception (Tuesday), all sessions, tours, meals, Banquet (Thursday), and evening events from Tuesday through Friday. Discounted for IPPS-ER members. Tour capacity limited to 100 participants per day.
- **Pre-Tour Only (Tuesday):** Includes full-day bus tour, continental breakfast & coffee, and Welcome Reception. Capacity limited to 100 participants.
- **Three Day Pkg:** Includes Welcome Reception (Tuesday), sessions, tours, meals, Banquet (Thursday), and events from Wednesday through Friday only. Tour capacity limited to 100 participants per day.
- **Wednesday Only:** Includes Welcome Reception (Tuesday), sessions, tour, meals, and events on Wednesday only. Tour capacity limited to 100 participants per day.
- **Thursday Only:** Includes Welcome Reception (Tuesday), sessions, tour, meals, Banquet, and events on Thursday only. Tour capacity limited to 100 participants per day.
- **Friday Only:** Includes Welcome Reception (Tuesday), sessions and meals on Friday only.

Find different registration types and packages by scanning the QR code below. ***Online sales end September 15, 2025*.**

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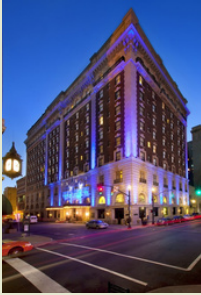


We look forward to seeing you in Louisville!!

ACCOMMODATIONS

Seelbach Hilton Hotel

Stay at the Seelbach Hilton, the official hotel for our annual conference!



**Book by
September 20!**



- **Special Conference Pricing:** Take advantage of our special IPPS ER conference rates. Reserve your room now at \$202/night!
- **Prime Location:** Located in the heart of downtown near 4th street bars and entertainment, with complimentary airport transportation.
- **Networking Opportunities:** Stay where all conference attendees are staying to maximize your networking opportunities and make connections over breakfast, coffee breaks, and evening events.
- **Convenient Access:** Enjoy easy access to morning sessions and conference activities without the hassle of commuting.

Hotel Address: Seelbach Hilton Hotel
500 S 4th St, Louisville, KY 40202

Nearby Airports:

- Louisville Muhammad Ali International Airport (SDF)
- Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG)

Transportation Options:

- Call ahead to the Seelbach Hilton Hotel to arrange for the shuttle.
- Taxi and rideshare services are available from SDF and CVG.
- Public transportation via TARC (Transit Authority of River City) from SDF.

**SCAN TO RESERVE
YOUR ROOM**



We look forward to seeing you at the Seelbach Hilton for an unforgettable conference experience!