

24TH ANNUAL
RELEAF CONFERENCE
JULY 14-16, 2016
SKIDMORE COLLEGE
SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK



**New York
ReLeaf**

**“SUSTAINABLE URBAN FORESTRY:
Digging In”**



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Environmental
Conservation

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Conference Program

Thursday, July 14

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. New York State Urban Forestry Council Board Meeting, Murray-Aikens Dining Hall, 2nd Floor

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sponsor/Vendor Exhibit Set Up. Bolton/Palamountain Hall

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Registration, Bolton/Palamountain Hall

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Dorm check-in, Case Center Information Desk

****Note: Dorm check in at Case Center CLOSES at 7:00 p.m.**

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Annual Council Members Meeting, Emerson Auditorium

****Note:** Dinner on your own before the annual meeting or after the Reception.

Dining Hall will be open until 7:00 p.m. Please see Travel Information Page for dining suggestions in downtown Saratoga Springs.

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Lantern Led Tour of North Woods at Skidmore College

Meet in Gannet Lobby. Dress for the weather.

Moderator: Sally Kellogg, Urban Forestry Partnerships Coordinator, NYSDEC

****DINNER ON YOUR OWN**

Friday, July 15

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast, Murray-Aikens Dining Hall

****Note:** Must show Dorm ID for complimentary breakfast

7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration/meet with Exhibitors, Bolton/Palamountain Hall

8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Dorm check-in, Case Center Information Desk

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8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Welcomes by Invited Speakers

Keith Goertz, Regional Director, Region 4, NYSDEC

Robert Stegemann, Regional Director, Region 5, NYSDEC

Philip A. Glotzbach, President, Skidmore College

Joanne Yepsen, Mayor, Saratoga Springs

David Moore, President, Urban Forestry Council

Moderator: Mary Kramarchyk, Urban Forestry Program Manager, NYSDEC

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Keynote: Water: History to Present Day Concerns

Neil Murphy, PhD, Former President, SUNY ESF

Moderator: John Bartow, Executive Director, Empire State Forest Products Association

Credits TBA

9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Introductions: Sponsors and Exhibitors will introduce themselves and their products/services.

Moderator: John Bartow

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. (choose between ONE of the 3 WORKSHOPS)

Workshop 1 – Pesticide Injection Techniques

Two outdoor concurrent sessions including two model insecticide applications. This workshop will be outside, **dress for the weather**.

Moderator: Dan Gaidasz, Forester, NYSDEC

Credits TBA

Workshop 2 – Composting, Yard Waste, and Municipal Mulching Operation

Discover what happens with integrating municipal waste into composting and mulching services.

Moderator: Laurel Gailor, Capital/Mohawk PRISM Coordinator, Cornell Cooperative Extension

Credits TBA

Workshop 3 – Trees, Computers and the Mix

Inventory software plays an important role in managing urban forests and can enhance community planning. Innovative software technology makes managing community forests easier.

Chris Peiffer, Business Developer and Urban Forester, Plan-It Geo

John Peckham, Client Services Manager, Urban Matrix

Moderator: Mary Kramarchyk

Credits TBA

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Coffee Break, visit Vendor Exhibits, Gannet Lobby

11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. (choose between ONE of the 3 WORKSHOPS)

Workshop 1 – Forest Health: What Ails Your Community Forest?

The long term health and productivity of New York's forests are threatened by invasive insect species. Emerald Ash Borer, Asian Long Horned Beetle and Southern Pine Beetle are just three of the many species that have impacted communities across the state. This workshop will provide a forest health overview, information on community efforts to prepare and manage

infestations and the availability of grants to identify, monitor and raise public awareness about invasive insects.

Jerry Carlson, Research Scientist, NYSDEC

Rob Cole, Forest Health Operations Supervisor, NYSDEC

Moderator: Scott Moxham, Forester, NYSDEC

Credits TBA

Workshop 2 – Utilizing Urban Wood Waste

The city of Syracuse has partnered with a local designer to transform urban wood waste into marketable products. Cosmo Fanizzi collects trees cut down by the city of Syracuse and repurposes them into furniture, slabs and works of art on commission. This workshop will be inside and outside, **dress for the weather.**

Cosmo Fanizzi, Founder and Creative Director, City Woods

Steve Harris, City Forester, Syracuse, NY

Moderator: Sally Kellogg

Credits TBA

Workshop 3 – A Grove of Grants

Harvest your knowledge to obtain funding for community tree projects. Unique opportunities exist to fit any community's needs.

Karen Emmerich, Region 3 ReLeaf Chair, Region 3 ReLeaf

Andy Hillman, Past President, Urban Forestry Council, Davey Resources Group

Moderator: Mary Kramarchyk

Credits TBA

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Catered Lunch, Murray-Aikins Dining Hall, 2nd Floor

Visit with Vendors – Gannet Lobby

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (choose between TOUR or WORKSHOP)

Tour – Saratoga DEC Nursery Tour and Saratoga Tour

Trees from the nursery are grown to be tough, hardened by the demanding climate conditions of our region. Local seed is best for growing healthy and hardy trees, adapted to our state's conditions. More than 200 acres of seed orchards throughout the state are maintained by nursery staff as seed production areas. The group will be divided into stations for more meaningful explanations of happenings within the nursery from staff members. After touring the nursery, discover some hidden treasures and tree plantings within the city of Saratoga Springs. This workshop has a limit of 100 people.

Dave Lee, Nursery Manager, NYSDEC

Rick Fenton, Urban Forestry Project Member, Sustainable Saratoga

Moderator: Laurel Gailor

Credits TBA

Workshop – Tools of the Trade

Come learn about some of the most advanced tools we have today, from sonic tomography to root radar and the resistograph. These tools result in the best management of your urban forests. This workshop will be outside, **dress for the weather**.

Chris Luley, Cofounder, Urban Forestry LLC

John Wickes, Owner, Certified Arborist, Wickes Arborist

Gary Raffel, Certified Arborist NY-5245A, Dynamic Tree Service

Susan Beebe, Assistant Director/Agriculture Issue Leader, Cornell Cooperative Extension

Moderators: Mary Kramarchyk

Jennifer Kotary, Intern, Urban Forestry Program, NYSDEC

Credits TBA

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Friday Night Picnic, Skidmore Campus – Case Center Patio

Saturday, July 16

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast, Murray-Aikins Dining Hall

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7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Registration/meet with Exhibitors, Bolton/Palamountain Hall

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. (choose between WORKSHOP 1 and 2 or WORKSHOP 3)

Workshop 1 – A Globally Rare Ecosystem in the Capital Region

An overview of the Albany Pine Bush Preserve Commission and Preserve including its work to restore the native pitch pine-scrub oak barrens habitat through whole-tree harvest.

Chris Hawver, Executive Director, Albany Pine Bush Preserve

Moderator: Aric Dicruitalo, Capital Region Forestry Supervisor, National Grid

Credits TBA

Workshop 2 – Roadside Plants: What Plant is That?

A presentation to help us identify the roadside wildflowers and invasive plants that are part of the landscape. Managing invasive plants will also be discussed.

Gloria VanDuyne, Citizen Participation Specialist, NYSDEC

Moderator: Sally Kellogg

Credits TBA

Workshop 3 – Fruits of the Urban Forest

Rethinking urban green spaces allows urban forest to nurture the public and the environment. These projects demonstrate how diverse activities bring new opportunities to the public.

Mary Cosgrove, Science Problem-Based Learning Coordinator, College of St. Rose
Tom Pfeiffer, City Forester, City of Albany
Gina Jack, Environmental Educator, NYSDEC 5 Rivers Environmental Education Center
Sharon DiLorenzo, Program Manager, Capital Roots
Sam Bishop, Director of Education, Trees NY
Moderator: Mary Cosgrove, Science Problem-Based Learning Coordinator, College of St. Rose
Credits TBA

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Coffee Break, visit Vendor Exhibits, Gannet Lobby

10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (choose between TOUR or WORKSHOP)

Tour – Skidmore Campus North Woods Stewardship Project

Help restore a wooded area back to its natural ecosystem. Please bring gloves if you have them, if not gloves will be provided. **Dress for the weather.** Wear bug spray if needed, and be sure to check for ticks at the conclusion of the workshop.

Levi Rogers, Sustainability Coordinator, Skidmore College

Moderator: Sally Kellogg

Credits TBA

Workshop – Trees, Trees and More Trees.

Learn about some of the local projects happening in the Capital District working to better our urban environment as well as maximize green spaces and ecosystem benefits. The use of structural soil and green infrastructure technology adds trees to city streets.

Mike Lopez, Volunteer, City of Troy

Neil O'Connor, P.E., LEED AP, City of Albany

Ian Law, Director of Urban Planning and Design, PLACE Alliance

Al Key, Vice President, Deep Root

Moderator: Laurel Gailor

Credits TBA

12:00 p.m. – Box Lunch

CONFERENCE CLOSES

***Don't forget to fill out your surveys...
and turn them in!***

IMPORTANT DETAILS

Conference Purpose

New York ReLeaf is a state program promoting management and care of our state's community trees. It is a cooperative effort coordinated by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and the NYS Urban and Community Forestry Council (NYSUCFC) with major funding supplied through the USDA Forest Service. The goal of New York ReLeaf is to create partnerships among tree professionals, citizen volunteers, educators, government, and the private sector. The annual State Conference brings together these interested parties from all of the state's nine regions to share experiences, ideas, and new information.

“Sustainable Urban Forestry: Digging In”

All tree enthusiasts are invited to the Twenty-Fourth Annual NYS ReLeaf Conference to be held July 14-16, at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, New York. You won't be disappointed! The conference, “Sustainable Urban Forestry: Digging In”, promotes the idea of better managing your community forest to enhance the natural benefits of your ecosystem.

Dr. Cornelius Murphy, the former president of SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry will be the keynote speaker. Dr. Murphy will discuss the water and the importance of it in terms of healthy urban forestry management. Workshops will include a Forest Health Update, a Grove of Grants, Utilizing Urban Wood Waste, A Globally Rare Ecosystem in the Capital Region and Pesticide Injection Techniques. Tours include a lantern led tour of the North Woods at Skidmore College, Saratoga DEC Nursery tour and a tour of downtown Saratoga Springs. The conference workshops are planned to provide a variety of topics that will be of interest to anyone who is involved with urban environments and trees.

Who Should Attend?

All those involved in the field of urban and community forestry; educators, volunteers, tree commissions, arborists, horticulturists, landscape architects, planners, nursery professionals, community/state/utility foresters, local government officials, public works and parks departments, and researchers; also those in need of New York State DEC pesticides, SAF, ISA, Certified Nursery Professional (CNP) and Landscape Architect (LA) re-certification credits.

All applicable credit categories have been applied for and are pending approval. For more information on credits that have been approved, please check www.nysurbanforestrycouncil.com (the Conference Brochure) or call Mary Martin at (518) 694-1080 for further details.

Campus Information

Please refer to the campus map that is included, or visit this link <https://www.skidmore.edu/directions/docs/SkidmoreMap3D.pdf>.

Parking will be available free of charge on the Skidmore College Campus. Signage leading to all facilities will be posted both leading to and on the campus grounds (as it has been for conferences in past years).

Conference Fees/Registration/Dorm Check-in

The conference fee(s) includes refreshment breaks, lunches, barbecue picnic and resource packet. For those attendees staying on campus, breakfasts are also included in the registration fee. See registration form for details and pricing for one day or full conference registration, lodging, meals etc. **Please submit one registration form per attendee.** Receipts for Registration and Dorm Fees paid will be available at the Registration table at the Conference. Register by **June 24th** to avoid paying \$35 administrative late fee.

Cancellations

Those cancelling at least 5 days prior to the course will be entitled to a full refund. Thereafter, no refunds will be made. Substitution of participants is acceptable.

Accommodations (Dorm Rooms)

Overnight dormitory accommodations will be available on the Skidmore College Campus. **All dorm rooms are air-conditioned.**

Johnson Tower: There are **double** rooms available. Each room will have a full set-up for each person which will include: 2 sheets, 1 blanket, 1 pillow, 1 pillowcase, 1 washcloth and 1 towel (you may want to bring your own bath towel).

Apartment: Each apartment has 4 single occupancy bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a kitchen. Each room will have a full set-up for each person which will include: 2 sheets, 1 blanket, 1 pillow, 1 pillowcase, 1 washcloth and 1 towel (you may want to bring your own bath towel).

Expanded Dates Request: For those attendees wishing to arrive a day early and remain an extra night to enjoy the beauty and tourist attractions in Saratoga Springs, dormitory rooms will be available Wednesday and Saturday evenings. **Room accommodations will be on a first come, first served basis.**

Check Out: Check out on the day of your departure with a Skidmore College Representative at Case Center by 11:00 AM. **Keys will stop working at 11:00 AM on the day of your departure.**

DIRECTIONS TRAVEL and TOURIST INFORMATION

Please refer to the **IMPORTANT DETAILS** page of this brochure for **Parking and Check-In** information for Skidmore College.

Directions to Skidmore College

New York City and points south:

Take the New York State Thruway (I-87) north to Exit 24. From the toll plaza, take Exit 1N to the Adirondack Northway (I-87) north.

Boston and points east:

Take the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90) west to Exit B1. Proceed on I-90 to Exit 1N and the Adirondack Northway (I-87) north.

Buffalo and points west:

Take the New York State Thruway (I-90) east to Exit 24. From the toll plaza, take Exit 1N to the Adirondack Northway (I-87) north.

Montreal and points north:

Take the Adirondack Northway (I-87) south.

From I-87

Take Exit 15 toward Saratoga Springs. Turn left onto Route 50 at the end of the exit ramp. At the fourth traffic light, turn right onto East Ave.

Take East Ave. to the top of the hill and turn right onto North Broadway. The main entrance is on your left, with the Eissner Admissions Building across Broadway on your right.

Train, Bus, Plane

The CDTA has a bus stop on campus (at Case Center) with service to downtown Saratoga and the Wilton Mall.

The closest Amtrak Station to Skidmore College is located at 26 Station Lane, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. There is also an Amtrak Station in Albany/Rensselaer.

Greyhound Bus Company offers service from the Saratoga Amtrak Station as well as the Albany Station.

Albany International Airport is not serviced by public ground transportation.

Taxis are available from Skidmore College and the Airport:

Saratoga Taxi (518) 584-2700
Saratoga Hybrid Cab (518) 698-4122
Value Van Taxi & Car Service (518) 479-9394
Upstate Green Cab (518) 956-0332

Lodgings near Skidmore College

Expect inflated prices due to summer season.

The following are near the university/downtown:

Hilton Saratoga
534 Broadway, Saratoga Springs
(518) 584-4000

Courtyard Saratoga Springs
11 Excelsior Ave, Saratoga Springs
(518) 226-0538

Holiday Inn Saratoga Springs
232 Broadway, Saratoga Springs
(518) 584-4550

Residence Inn Saratoga Springs
295 Excelsior Ave, Saratoga Springs
(518) 584-9600

Tourist Information

Conference Attendees are encouraged to take self-guided tours of local attractions, parks, zoos and eateries. Google will help you find these favorites of the conference committee:

Food and Drink

Uncommon Grounds: Great for coffee and bagels
402 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Druthers Brewing Company: Known for their Mac and Cheese
381 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Mrs. London's: Quaint sandwich and pastry shop
464 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Cantina: Delicious Mexican
430 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Wheatfields Restaurant and Bar: Reasonably priced Italian
440 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Kilwins: Homemade ice cream and fudge
420 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Things to Do

Saratoga Performing Arts Center (Dave Matthews Band will be performing the weekend of the conference)

Saratoga Race Course (Races will not be happening)

National Museum of Dance and Hall of Fame

National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame

Saratoga Spa State Park

The Chip Festival (Saturday July 16 10AM-6PM)

2016 ReLeaf Conference Registration Form

Name _____

Affiliation _____

Address _____

County _____ Phone _____ FAX _____

Email _____ Please send an Email confirming receipt of my registration

Would you like to become a *NYS Urban Forestry Council Member*? Please include your Membership Fee of \$25 (Register at the Member rate)

REGISTRATION

NYS Urban Forestry Council Member

- Full Conference-\$90
- Friday Only-\$70
- Saturday Only-\$45

Non-member

- Full Conference-\$115
- Friday Only-\$95
- Saturday Only-\$70

Student Rate

- Full Conference-\$40
- Friday Only-\$30
- Saturday Only-\$25

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Do you prefer Vegetarian or Selections?
- Do you prefer Gluten Free Selections?
- Will **YOU** be attending the Friday Night Picnic?
- Guest** for the Friday Night Picnic--\$25
- Thursday Reception (No Cost for Council Members)
- Thursday Reception--**Guest** of Council Member-- \$20

Special Needs

Contact the College in advance for on-campus Handicapped Parking Access

Skidmore Campus Safety 518-580-5567

ROOM ACCOMMODATIONS

Each Apartment has 4 single occupancy bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a kitchen
\$75 per night/person

- Wednesday Night
- Thursday Night
- Friday Night

Share an apartment with: _____

Johnson Tower: Single OR Double Occupancy-\$55 per night/person

- Wednesday Night
- Thursday Night
- Friday Night

Share a room with: _____

All rooms are AIR CONDITIONED, bring an extra blanket!

Linens provided. Bring extra towels!

After JUNE 24th, add \$35 late registration fee to total costs.

Send Registration Form to NYS Urban & Community Forestry Council, P.O. Box 562, Lima, New York, 14485
or scan and EMAIL to lgooding@rochester.rr.com

Payment by: Check Purchase Order Cash

Payment by credit card: Visa Master Card

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Acct #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ 3-Digit Security Code: _____

Name on Card: _____

Friday AM Workshops-choose 1 for each time slot

10:00 am-11:00 am

- Pesticide Injection Techniques
- Composting, Yard Waste, and Municipal Mulching
- Trees, Computers and the Mix

11:30 am-12:45 pm

- Forest Health Update: What Ails Your Community Trees?
- Utilizing Urban Wood Waste*
- A Grove of Grants

Friday PM-choose ONLY 1

2:00 pm-4:00 pm

- Tour of NYSDEC Saratoga Nursery Tour and Saratoga Bus Tour (Limit 100 people)*
- Tools of the Trade Workshop*

Saturday AM Workshops-choose 1 for each time slot

8:30 am-10:00 am

- Fruits of the Urban Forest

8:30 am- 9:15am

- A Globally Rare Ecosystem in the Capital Region

9:15-10:00

- Roadside Plants: What Plant is That?

10:15 am-12:00 pm

- Skidmore Campus Stewardship Project on Campus*
- Trees, Trees and More Trees

*Workshop/Tour inside and OUTSIDE; Dress for the weather

SKIDMORE

C O L L E G E

Situated on an expansive wooded campus a mile from downtown Saratoga Springs, Skidmore's buildings are designed to blend with the natural surroundings and to foster intellectual and social interaction. Though contemporary in style, campus construction has borrowed from the area's Victorian architecture, adopting such features as bay windows, copper roofs, and covered outdoor areas.



CASTLE BASEBALL DIAMOND

Castle Diamond is located about a mile and a half west of campus on Denton Road.



VAN LENNEP RIDING CENTER

Van Lennep Riding Center is located a short distance north of campus at 145 Daniels Road.

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815 North Broadway
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
518-580-5000
www.skidmore.edu

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Barrett Center 2. Bernhard Theater 3. Bolton Hall 4. Case Center 5. Clinton Street Entrance 6. Colton Alumni Welcome Center 7. Dana Science Center 8. Dance Center 9. Eissner Cottage 10. Falstaff's 11. Filene Hall 12. Greenberg Child Care Center 13. Harder Hall | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 14. South Park (with Haupt Pond) 15. Hoge Hall 16. Howe Hall 17. Jonsson Tower 18. Kimball Hall 19. Ladd Hall 20. Main Entrance 21. McClellan Hall 22. Murray-Aikins Dining Hall 23. North Hall 24. Northwoods Village (with Moore Common) 25. Palamountain Hall 26. Penfield Hall | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 27. Pine Cottage 28. Pine Cottage Annex 29. Porter Plaza 30. Rounds Hall 31. Saisselin Art Building 32. Scribner House 33. Scribner Library 34. Sussman Village 35. Starbuck Center 36. Surrey Williamson Inn 37. Tang Teaching Museum and Art Gallery 38. Tennis Courts 39. Tisch Learning Center | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 40. Wachenheim Field 41. Wagner Park 42. Wait Hall 43. Waring Admissions Center 44. Weicking Hall 45. Williamson Sports and Recreation Center 46. Wilmarth Hall 47. Wilson Memorial Chapel 48. Zankel Music Center |
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