

Program 33rd^d Annual Desert Horticulture Conference
May 10, 2024
El Conquistador Hotel, Tucson AZ

	Plants and Design	Plant Health	Water / Urban Landscapes
6:45 – 7:30 am	Registration and Coffee – Visit sponsor exhibits		
7:30–8:30 am	<i>The Heat-Proof Desert Garden</i> Noelle Johnson, AZ Plant Lady	<i>Invasive Plant Species and their Management in Urban Landscapes</i> Tony Figueroa, Tucson Audubon Society and John Scheuring, Arizona Native Plant Society	<i>Troubleshooting and Testing Your Irrigation System for Optimal Performance</i> Dominic Rullo, Town of Marana
8:45 -9:45 am	<i>Developing a Wind and Storm Proof Tree Structure</i> Denice Britton	<i>Mite Issues on Landscape Plants</i> Dr. Shaku Nair, UA Maricopa County Cooperative Extension	<i>Retrofitting Irrigation Systems to Meet the Needs of Trees and Other Plants</i> Doug Donahue, Ewing Irrigation
10:00-11:00 am	<i>Underused and Newly Introduced Plants</i> Panel: Emilie Augustine, Desert Tree Farm; Berni Jilka, Nighthawk Natives Nursery; Wendy Proud, Mountain States Wholesale Growers; Nick Shipley, Civano Growers	<i>Shrub Performance under Minimum Irrigation</i> Dr. Ursula Schuch, UA School of Plant Sciences	<i>Preserving the Urban Forest: Best Practices for Tree Conservation during Artificial Turf Installation</i> Anne LeSenne, Pinal County Cooperative Extension
11:00 am - 12:15 pm	Lunch Visit Sponsor Exhibits Book Signing: Noelle Johnson		
12:15 - 1:15 pm	<i>Plant Selection for Green Stormwater Infrastructure Landscapes</i> Nick Shipley, Civano Growers	<i>Vascular Diseases of Landscape Plants</i> Dr. Alex Hu, UA School of Plant Sciences	<i>Improving Soils through Green Stormwater Infrastructure</i> – Dr. Bo Yang, UA Landscape Architecture and Planning, Dr. Vanessa Buzzard, UA Natural Resources, Grant McCormick, UA Environmental Science
1:30 - 2:30 pm	<i>Eye-Catching Plants for Curb Appeal</i> Noelle Johnson, AZ Plant Lady	<i>Correct Me If I’m Wrong: Lesson for Pesticide Handlers</i> Jennifer Weber, UA Pesticide Safety Education Program	<i>Tucson Residential Rain Water Harvesting Rebates Revamp</i> – Irene Ogata and Valeria Galindo, City of Tucson
2:45 - 3:45 pm	<i>Landscaping for the Future: Drawing Ideas from Ecological Restoration Practices</i> Carianne Funicelli, Strategic Habitats	<i>Witches Broom on Parkinsonia Species in Arizona Landscapes</i> Dr. Ursula Schuch, UA Plant Sciences	<i>Improving Tree Establishment Success</i> Dr. Bo Yang, UA Landscape Architecture and Planning, Dr. Vanessa Buzzard, UA Natural Resources, Grant McCormick, UA Environmental Science