



Weathering Future Storms



Steps to a Storm-Resilient Community Forest



**Conference Agenda
September 8-10, 2008
Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center
Mobile, Alabama**

**Pre-Conference Workshop
4.5 ISA CEUs**

Monday, September 8, 2008

**Bruce R. Fraedrich, Ph.D.
Vice President of Research
Bartlett Tree Research Laboratories**

**Mobile Botanical Gardens
5151 Museum Dr.
Mobile, AL 36608**

9:00 to 9:10 am	Welcome and Introduction, Discussion of Objectives
9:10 to 10:15	Visual Tree Analysis and Evaluation of Aboveground Defects: <i>This presentation will describe defects and conditions that predispose trees to branch and stem failure. Techniques for evaluating decay will be emphasized. Species failure profiles will be discussed.</i>
10:15 to 10:30	Break
10:30 to 11:15	Visual Tree Analysis and Evaluation of Belowground Defects: <i>This presentation will describe defects and site conditions that predispose trees to soil and root failures. Techniques for evaluating root decay will be presented.</i>
11:15 to 12:00 pm	Documentation, Tree Risk Rating Systems, and Legal Considerations in Managing Trees
12:00 to 1:00	Box Lunch provided
1:00 to 3:00	Outdoor Lab <i>This lab will feature visual tree analysis and site analysis for assessing branch, stem, root, and soil failures. Techniques and equipment used to evaluate wood and root decay will be presented.</i>

Hurricanes Ivan & Katrina Media Event and Reception

Monday, September 8, 2008

Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center
Club Room

3:00 to 5:00	Conference Registration
3:00 to 4:00	Hurricane Ivan and Katrina Media Event <i>Mr. Steve Marshall, Director of Urban & Community Forestry, US Forest Service</i> <i>Dr. Gaines Smith, Director of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System</i>
6:00 to 8:00	Welcome Reception, Sky View Lounge, Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center

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Steps to a Storm-Resilient Community Forest”**

9 ISA CEUs

Tuesday, September 9, 2008

Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center
Bienville Ballroom

7:15 am to 8:00	Continental Breakfast
8:00 to 10:00	Opening Ceremonies: “ <i>Setting the Stage</i> ” <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Welcome2) The Big Picture <i>Neil Letson, State Urban Forestry Coordinator</i>3) Auburn’s Community Forestry Hurricane Program: Lessons Learned in Working with Communities, Grants, and Hurricanes <i>Beau Brodbeck, Alabama Cooperative Extension System Regional Agent</i>
10:00 to 10:30	Break
10:30 to 12:00 pm	Presentations: “ <i>Before the Storm – Preparedness</i> ” <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Tree Selection: Wind-Resilient Trees <i>Dr. Hallie Dozier, Associate Professor of Forestry, Louisiana State University</i>2) Designing and Installing Hurricane-Resistant Urban Forests <i>Dr. Ed Gilman, Professor of Environmental Horticulture, University of Florida</i>
12:00 to 1:30	Lunch On Your Own
1:30 to 3:00	Presentations: “ <i>After the Storm – Immediate</i> ” <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Dangerous Trees, Critical Thinking, and Making Them Safe <i>Ken Palmer, ArborMaster Training Inc.</i>2) Rapid Urban Tree Assessment <i>Dudley Hartel, Urban Forestry South Center Manager, US Forest Service</i>
3:00 to 3:30	Break
3:30 to 5:00	Presentations: “ <i>After the Storm – Long Term</i> ” <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Assessing Urban Trees: Tree Structure and Safety <i>Dr. Bruce R. Fraedrich, Bartlett Tree Research Laboratories</i>2) Preventive and Restorative Pruning <i>Dr. Ed Gilman, Professor of Environmental Horticulture, University of Florida</i>
6:30 to 8:00	Dinner Banquet, Bienville Ballroom, Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center

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Wednesday, September 10, 2008

Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center
Bienville Ballroom

7:15 to 8:00	Continental Breakfast
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8:00 to 9:30	Presentations: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) How to Deduct Shade Tree Casualty Losses <i>Dr. Steve Dicke, Extension Forestry Professor, Department of Forestry, Mississippi State University</i>2) Understanding Urban Wildlife Habitats and Storms <i>To be Announced</i>
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9:30 to 10:00	Break
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10:00 to 12:00	Concluding Presentations: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Managing Invasive Plant Species Before and After Storms <i>Dr. Jim Miller, Senior Research Plant Ecologist, US Forest Service</i>2) What Urban Foresters Can Provide to Cities: Putting it All Together, Developing, and Implementing an Emergency Storm-Response Plan <i>Rachel Barker, Project Manager, Natural Resource Consulting Inc.</i>
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Conference Registration & Hotel Information

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Pre-Conference Workshop Registration Fee: \$25.00

Conference Registration Fee: \$85.00

1-Day Conference Registration Fee: \$65.00

**Preferred method for registration:
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Registration

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