

Program Agenda

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Rooms locations are indicated in brackets. – *example*: [ROOM LOCATION]

Sunday, October 19, 2008

1:30PM–7:30PM **Optional Pre-Conference Tour**

Monday, October 20, 2008

- 7:00AM–5:00PM Conference Registration Opens [PALM /PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY]
- 7:00AM–4:30PM UF/IFAS Book Store [COCOPLUM]
- 7:30AM–9:30AM 4H Horticulture Judging Contest
(Viewing is 10:00AM-4:30PM on Monday only) [IBIS/EGRET]
- 10:00AM–10:30AM **Welcome and Announcements** – *Tom Wichman*, Florida Master Gardener
Coordinator, UF/IFAS [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- 10:30AM–1200PM **General Session – Global New Plants – Where do these plants come
from?** – *Rick Schoellhorn* – Proven Winners, Inc. – Join Dr. Rick
Schoellhorn, of Proven Winners North America for a trip around the globe to
discover where the plants in your garden come from. There is a story behind
every plant and they are usually pretty funny, but sometimes they can explain
a lot about why the plant does or does not do well in your garden. Learn
where certain plants originated and where they have traveled in the
hybridizing process to bring them to your door. Should be fun and interesting
and if you do not like flying, a good way to see the world! (p. 104)
- 12:00PM –1:30PM Lunch on own
- 1:30PM–2:30PM **Three Concurrent Sessions**
- A–1 **Invasive Animals** – Learn what animals are becoming problems and how we
should deal with them – *Steven Johnson*, UF (p. 46)... [SAWGRASS/MANGROVE]
- B–1 **Landscape Design** – Learn the basics of landscape design – *Gail Hansen*,
UF (p. 37)..... [ORCHID]
- C–1 **In Search of the Perfect Tomato** – Learn what tomato varieties to grow and
how to best grow them – *Gene McAvoy*, UF (p. 70)
..... [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]

Monday, October 20, 2008 (continued)

- 2:30PM–2:45PM Move to Next Concurrent Session
- 2:45PM–3:45PM **Three Concurrent Sessions**
- A–2 **Bamboo** – Learn which varieties grow best and how to use them effectively – *Robert Saporito*, Owner of Tropical Bamboo Nursery, Loxahatchee, FL (p. 103)..... [SAWGRASS/MANGROVE]
- B–2 **New Pests** – Learn which pests we should be looking out for – *Catherine Mannion*, UF (p. 62)..... [ORCHID]
- C–2 **Tropical Fruits** – Learn to grow a variety of tropical fruits and which ones will do best in containers – *Jonathan Crane*, UF (p. 6) [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- 3:45PM–4:15PM Viewing of County Exhibits/Displays [SANDPIPER]
- 3:45PM–4:15PM Refreshment Break [PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY]
- 4:15PM–5:15PM **Three Concurrent Sessions**
- A–3 **Gardening Ergonomics** – Learn what tools are available to make gardening easier – *Christine Kelly-Begazo*, UF (p. 50) [SAWGRASS/MANGROVE]
- B–3 **Landscape Design** – Learn the basics of landscape design – *Gail Hansen*, UF (p. 37)..... [ORCHID]
- C–3 **Vertical Gardening** – Vines for Florida – Learn what vines to use and how to use them – *Sydney Park Brown*, UF (p. 87) [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- 5:30PM–7:00PM Viewing of County Exhibits/Displays [SANDPIPER]
- 5:30PM–7:00PM Welcome Reception [BREEZES/LINKS RESTAURANT]

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

- 7:00AM–5:00PM Conference Registration Open [PALM /PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY]
- 7:00AM–4:30PM UF/IFAS Book Store [COCOPLUM]
- 7:00AM–8:00AM Continental Breakfast [BREEZES/LINKS RESTAURANT]
- 8:00AM–9:30AM **General Session – Palm Care and Problems** – *Monica Elliott*, UF (p. 15) [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- 9:30AM–10:00AM Viewing of County Exhibits/Displays [SANDPIPER]
- 9:30AM–10:00AM Refreshment Break [PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY]

Tuesday, October 21, 2008 (continued)

- 10:00AM–11:00AM **Three Concurrent Sessions**
- A–4 **Tropical Bulbs** – Learn what great variety of tropical bulbs can be grown in Florida –*Tom Wichman*, UF [SAWGRASS/MANGROVE]
- B–4 **Succulents: From Their Home to Yours** – Get tips to succeed in growing these fascinating plants – *Dennis Cathcart*, Owner of Tropiflora Nursery, Sarasota, FL..... [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- C–4 **Urban Nuisance Wildlife/African Bees** – Learn how to deal with nuisance wildlife and the latest on Africanized bees – *Bill Kern*, UF (p. 52)..... [ORCHID]
- 11:00AM–11:15AM Move to Next Concurrent Session
- 11:15AM–12:15PM **Three Concurrent Sessions**
- A–5 **Florida Water Star in Your future** – Learn what strategies you can use to save water – *Teresa Watkins*, St. Johns River Water Management District [SAWGRASS/MANGROVE]
- B–5 **Aquascaping** – Learn to landscape your waterfront or retention pond – *Ken Langeland*, UF..... [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- C–5 **FYN Demonstration Gardens Used as an Educational Tool** – See the large number of gardens around the state and how they are being used – *Marina D’Abreau*, UF (p. 8) [ORCHID]
- 12:15PM–1:15PM Viewing of County Exhibits/Displays [SANDPIPER]
- 12:15PM–1:15PM Boxed Lunches will be provided [BREEZES/LINKS RESTAURANT]
- 1:15PM–2:15PM **Three Concurrent Sessions**
- A–6 **Rainwater Harvesting: Going Beyond Rainbarrels** – Learn to save water using these home–made and commercially available products – *B.J. Jarvis*, UF (p. 44)..... [SAWGRASS/MANGROVE]
- B–6 **Butterfly Gardening** – Learn how best to cater to these beautiful creatures – *Mike Malloy*, UF (p. 57) [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- C–6 **Protecting the Quality of Florida Waters with "LID" Practices** – Learn how “Low Impact Development” storm water management practices are becoming essential tools in the effort to preserve water quality in Florida’s springs, lakes, and rivers – *Pierce Jones*, UF (p. 48)..... [ORCHID]
- 2:15PM–2:30PM Move to Next Concurrent Session

Tuesday, October 21, 2008 (continued)

- 2:30PM–3:30PM **Three Concurrent Sessions**
- A-7 **Water Efficient Irrigation and Retrofits** – Learn what products are available and how to put them to work with your system – *Jack Tichenor*, UF (p. 106) [SAWGRASS/MANGROVE]
- B-7 **Fertilizer Rule, Ordinances, and BMP Training** – Learn about the new fertilizer rule and how new ordinances may impact our gardening practices – *Tom Becker* and *Stephen Brown*, UF (p. 3, 5) [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- C-7 **"Greening" Our Landscapes** – Learning how FYN is helping builders and developers go green with Florida-friendly home and community landscapes – *Ondine Wells*, UF (p. 115)..... [ORCHID]
- 3:30PM–4:00PM Viewing of County Exhibits/Displays [SANDPIPER]
- 3:30PM–4:00PM Refreshment Break [PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY]
- 4:00PM–5:00PM **General Session – Roots and Establishment – Managing Roots – What to do at planting and during the first 25 years** – *Ed Gilman*, UF (p. 24) [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]
- 5:30PM–7:00PM Viewing of County Exhibits/Displays [SANDPIPER]
- 5:30PM–7:00PM Horticultural Auction & Reception [GREAT CYPRESS/ROYAL POINCIANA]

Wednesday, October 22, 2008

- 7:00AM–8:00AM Viewing of County Exhibits/Displays [SANDPIPER]
- 7:00AM–11:00PM UF/IFAS Book Store [COCOPLUM]
- 8:00AM–9:00AM Plated Awards Breakfast..... [GRAND FLORIDIAN BALLROOM]
- 9:00AM–10:30AM Awards Program
- 10:30AM–11:00AM Break [PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY]
- 11:00AM–12:30PM **Closing General Session – Fabulous Foliage – Plants with colorful foliage and how to use them** – *Sydney Park Brown* – UF

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