

FRIENDS OF JEFFERSON THE BEAUTIFUL 18TH ANNUAL TREE SCHOOL

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018 • 8:00^{AM} to 4:00^{PM}

JEFFERSON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER 6400 AIRLINE DRIVE METAIRIE

A COMPREHENSIVE, ONE-DAY WORKSHOP ON THE CARE AND PRESERVATION OF TREE CANOPY IN THE URBAN LANDSCAPE.

LUNCH PROVIDED • ACCREDITED & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Registration is required, please register by noon on April 20th

ONLINE REGISTRATION:
<https://tinyurl.com/y7d6t3k9>

CEUs for Licensed Arborists, Landscape Architects, Architects, Professional Engineers & Residential Contractors
ACCREDITED BY: International Society of Arboriculture • Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry
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Tree School Curriculum

8:00 Registration

8:15 Welcome: Mike Yenni *President, Jefferson Parish*

Forestry Update: Mike Strain, *Commissioner Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry*
Master of Ceremonies: Neil Odenwald

9:00 Skip Kincaid

How Trees Age: Losing Control & Falling Apart *An overview of current expert opinions on the way trees grow and respond to stress*

10:00 Kim Coder

Preventing Tree Damage During Site Development & Construction *A presentation of management tools to minimize tree damage during the building process*

11:00 Break

11:15 Gary Johnson

Managing Urban Trees for Productive Lives *A discussion of ways to increase the lifespan of urban trees which, instead of the expected many decades, is on average less than that of a Ford F-150 pick-up truck*

12:15 Lunch

12:50 Jennifer VanVrancken *Jefferson Parish Council*

1:00 Skip Kincaid

Threats to the Urban Forest *A review of some current threats to our urban forests--some will be recognized, some will be a surprise!*

1:45 Kim Coder

Lightning Protection for Trees: Protecting Assets & Minimizing Risks *An examination of methods to prevent catastrophic loss of the largest and most valuable trees*

2:30 Gary Johnson

Healthy Landscapes, Healthy People - The Impacts of Green on Physical, Developmental & Emotional Health

A look at Medical & Educational Research on the positive qualities of trees in the urban greenspace - this is NOT touchy-feely forestry or "junk science"

3:15 - 4:00 Panel Discussion & Questions

Continuing Education Credits in the registration area

DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Kim Coder, Ph.D.

Professor of Tree Biology and Health Care

Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources University of Georgia

Dr. Kim D. Coder is Professor of Tree Biology and Health Care at the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources, University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia, USA. He has degrees from Iowa State University in forestry, tree biology, and forest ecology. Dr. Coder was elected world President of the International Society of Arboriculture by fellow professionals. He has served as President of the Southern Chapter of ISA, the International Arboriculture Research & Education Academy (AREA), and the Georgia Urban Forest Council. He was appointed to NUCFAC, an advisory committee to the USDA Secretary of Agriculture on community forestry issues. He is the first person to receive four of ISA's world-wide, peer selected awards (Shigo, Harris, Achievement, and Merit awards). He won the highest international award given by the Arbor Day Foundation - the Sterling Morton award. Dr. Coder is author of over 500 technical publications and articles. He is an international lecturer and consultant to private citizens, corporations, attorneys and communities on tree health care, tree anatomy, abiotic tree stress, lightning & tree protection, ice storm damage, biomechanics, and community forest ecology.

Gary Johnson

Professor of Urban and Community Forestry, University of Minnesota

Department of Forest Resources, Saint Paul, MN.

Since 1992, he has directed the urban and community forestry program at Minnesota and the Urban Forestry Outreach Research and Extension Nursery and Lab. His research has included tree production practices, urban forest health issues, and the impacts of community forestry volunteers on the capacity of communities to manage urban forests. Prior to Minnesota, he was a faculty member at the Universities of New Hampshire and Maryland.

Skip Kincaid

Director of Urban Forestry for Hansen's Tree Service & Environmental Wood Resources, O'Fallon, Missouri

Mr. Kincaid is an ISA Board Certified Master Arborist with over 30 years of urban forestry, arboriculture, and forestry experience. He provides governments, businesses, utilities, attorneys, architects, and engineers with the performance of tree risk assessments; tree appraisals/forensics; storm damage assessment projects; tree preservation plans on construction sites; urban forestry master plans; ordinance writing; and expert witness testimony. Mr. Kincaid is currently the Director of Urban Forestry for Hansen's Tree Service & Environmental Wood Resources in O'Fallon, Missouri and provides a wide range of consulting services. Prior to that, he spent eight years with Davey Resource Group as their Senior Consulting Urban Forester and eighteen successful years operating Skip Kincaid & Associates (SKA), an urban forestry consulting firm in St. Louis, MO, which Davey Resource Group acquired. Mr. Kincaid was also an urban forester with the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Commissioner of Forestry with the City of St. Louis where he had primary responsibility for managing a staff of 200 employees and a budget of approximately \$14 million per year. Author of two books: Woodland Heritage of Southern Ontario (documenting older-growth forests) and Metaphors for Environmental Sustainability (concerning the implications of alternative metaphors used to conceptualize the environment).

Neil G. Odenwald, Ph.D., FASLA

Professor Emeritus, Robert S. Reich School of Landscape Architecture, Louisiana State University

Dr. Odenwald has been the moderator for the Tree School since its inception 18 years ago. He is the author of five references on plants, was Professor of Landscape Architecture at LSU for 38 years and served as Director of the School for 8 years.

Wade Dubea PANELIST

State Forester, Louisiana Department of
Agriculture and Forestry

Brook Burmaster PANELIST

Director, Jefferson Parkway Department