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# Congress Conference Guide 2007

# Setting the Standard January 9-11, 2007 Toronto Congress Centre

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#### Registration Information

Register online at www.locongress.com, or use the form in the centrefold. Information about hotels and seminar fees are in the centrefold. Pre-registration deadline is Friday, December 22. After that date, fees increase. All conference passes include admission to the trade show. Name badges will be mailed if your registration is received by December 22. Members of the Canadian Fence Industry Association are entitled to member pricing.

#### Dates and times

Trade show hours are 9 am to 5 pm on January 9 and 10 and 9 am to 4 pm on January 11. Conference sessions start at 10:00 am. For more detail, see the Congress Dates and Times Guide on p 4-5. In cooperation with: An initiative of:







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- Specialty Tracks
- Warm-up Monday
  - Designer Conference
  - Toronto IPM Symposium
  - Irrigation Day

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#### 8:30am-4pm



IPM Symposium -Toronto Presentation, p.6 (Ticketed Event) International Ballroom C. Doubletree Int'l Plaza Hotel 8am-Noon

Efficient Irrigation Design Techniques, p.9 (Ticketed Event) London Room. Doubletree Int'l Plaza Hotel

#### **Conference and Trade Show – January 9 - 11**

#### **Tuesday, January 9**

7:30am

9am-5pm

Registration Opens at the **Toronto Congress Centre** 

**Trade Show Opens** 

#### **Tuesday Seminars** 10-11:30am

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#### DATES AND TIMES GUIDE

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9am-5:30pm

Landscape Designer Conference, p. 8 (Ticketed Event) International Ballroom A, Doubletree Int'l Plaza Hotel 1-5 pm

Irrigation for Profit, p. 9 (Ticketed Event) London Room, Doubletree Int'l Plaza Hotel

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1-2:30pm

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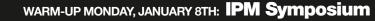
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TRADE SHOW



#### Warm-up Monday, January 8th

Congress is growing! Three days is not enough time anymore. Kick off Canada's premiere horticultural event with these great educational opportunities on the Monday before Congress. Separate fees apply.



#### **42nd IPM symposium**

Individually priced Doubletree International Plaza, International Ballroom C

#### Four Cities – Four Different Dates



Toronto IPM – January 8th Ottawa IPM – February 15th Barrie IPM – March 20th London IPM – March 28th

#### TORONTO PRESENTATION

Welcome and Opening Remarks

8:30-8:35am

8:35-8:55am

**MOE Update** Local Representatives, Ministry of the Environment

8:55-9:25 am

What's in the Pipeline: NEEM, dormant oils, Confidor (Asian Long-horned Beetle and Emerald Ash Borer) and Demand SCS Christoph Kessell, Nursery Certification and Risk Management Coordinator, Landscape Ontario



Update on Urban Pests - Emerald Ash Borer, Asian Long-horned Beetle and European Woodwasp Ken Marchant, Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Refreshment Break
Practical Ideas for Working with Municipal Bylaws Ken Pavely, Landscape Ontario
<b>OMAFRA Report (including Beet Juice Trial Results)</b> Pam Charbonneau, Turfgrass Specialist, OMAFRA Jennifer Llewellyn, Nursery Crop Specialist, OMAFRA
Question Period
Lunch (On premises or nearby)
What's New in Kentucky Blue Paul Stevens, Pickseed
Best Practices and Tips – What Could Possibily Go Wrong?
Helmut Spieser, Engineer, Pesticide Application/Grain Conditioning, OMAFRA
Best Plant Health Care Practices: Aerification and Compost Top Dressing Doug Smith, City of Toronto, Parks, Forestry
and Recreation
Are You a Professional? Reducing Risk and Exposure to Pesticides Gerald Stephenson, University of Guelph



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An initiative A fu	iced, Doubletree Intn'l Plaza Hotel, International Ballroom A of the Landscape Ontario Designers Commodity Group. Ill-day design seminar that will be a blueprint for rofessional success. Lunch and reception included. See registration form for registration fees.
9:00 am	Raising the Bar Find out about the Certified Landscape Designer (CLD) designation Beth Edney CLD, Designs by the Yard
10:00 am	Promoting Our Work – Marketing and Selling Landscape Design Panel: Haig Seferian, CLD, Seferian Design Group Ron Koudys OALA, CLD, Fanshawe College Kristin Gable, GCI Advertising
11:00 am 11:15 am	Break Choice of Workshops: Blending Landscape Design with the Architecture David Oleson B. Arch, OAA, FRAIC
	Oleson Worland Architects or <b>Construction and Grading Details</b> Don Chase BLA, CLD, ChaseRD
12:00 pm	Lunch (included with registration)
1:00 pm	Choice of Workshops: Rendering: Create Coloured Presentation Drawings to Wow Your Clients Margrieta Van Dellis
	or <b>Create a Dynamic Selling Portfolio:</b> How to Take the best photos and organize them Brad Maclver, Art Director, <i>Gardening Life</i> Magazine Tim Thoelecke Jr. APLD, ASLA, American Academy of Landscape Design
3:45 pm	Break EDUGAIE
4:00 pm	What's New? Find out about the newest plants and hardscape materials Paul Zammit, Plant World Tom Leedle CHT, Leedle Landscaping
5:00 pm	Rockdeck Networking Reception
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#### WARM-UP MONDAY, JANUARY 8TH: Irrigation Day

#### **IRRIGATION DAY**

Morning and Afternoon Courses individually priced Doubletree International Plaza Hotel, London Room

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8 am-12 Noon	Efficient Irrigation Design Techniques Water shortages are forcing a re-evaluation of how irrigation systems are designed. The new emphasis is on eliminating water inefficiencies that plague many current designs. To design with efficiency in mind, start by ignoring what we have been taught about designing irrigation systems.
	Lorne will demonstrate examples of real-life approaches to designing for efficiency, such as head spacing, subsurface irrigation, and reclaimed or recycled water systems. If you want to design outside the box, then you need to come to this informative seminar. Lorne Haveruk CID, CIC, CLIA, WCP DH Water Management Services Inc, Toronto
1-5 pm	Irrigation for Profit Short, brief and to the point – the point of making money, that is. Irrigation is a tough business that is becoming more competitive each season.
52	Come and learn a few tried-and-true techniques for estimating, bidding, material purchasing, selling, cost control and service. If you did not make 30 per cent margins last year, you need to be here – your

competitors most likely will be. Lorne Haveruk CID, CIC, CLIA, WCP DH Water Management Services Inc, Toronto

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#### SESSIONS AND EVENTS: Tuesday January 9th

#### RUNNING A BUSINESS

10-11:30 am

#### Responsibility Is Not a Dirty Word: Getting the Best from People

It is essential that a manager's leadership skills develop in order for the employee, as well as the company, to grow. A company must have individuals who are placed in leadership roles, define the "wins" for the team, and then learn how to coach and direct performance toward those wins. This simple concept will create both short- and

long-term success for the individual and the company. In this fun session Bob Coulter will explore the four Steps to Great Coaching and will send each participant away ready to lead with courage, candor and consideration.



Bob Coulter JP Horizons Incorporated, Painesville, Ohio

#### (\*) HORTICULTURE 10-11:30 am Bring It On! Perennials that Like It Hot

With increasing water restrictions and the desire for low maintenance gardens, there is a real demand for perennials that can tough it out on their own without the expense and chore of watering. Your customers look to you for solutions to these problems, but often assume that low maintenance = BORING. But having a drought tolerant landscape

doesn't mean settling in Dullsville. Come enjoy a presentation where Jason will show you some fantastic perennials and ornamental grasses that can take the heat – and will thrill your customers!



Jason Rekker CSP Eastern Ontario Territory Manager Valleybrook Gardens, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario 10 Congress 2007 Conference Guide

#### HUNNING A BUSINESS

#### 10-11:30 am

#### Expanded Roadmap for Success in Business

Take your business to the next level by joining those who have already benefited from Jacki's dynamic presentations. Learn how to prioritize and organize the four key areas of your business – employees, administration, operations and financial (sales and profit)

and move through your endless "to do" list with success and a better work/lifestyle balance.

You'll leave this seminar armed with proactive tactics to stay ahead of the demands of your business.



Jacki Ciphery CLP Waters Edge Landscaping, Bala, Ontario

# HORTICULTURE/GARDEN CENTRE

#### Hardier Than Thou: Unusual Perennials for Cold Climates

People seem to think that nothing much grows beyond Zone 5. But there are thousands of perennials that thrive in Zone

4 and colder. In this seminar, Larry will look less well-known perennials for cold climates, including several that would do well much further south, including plants that do well beyond the normal zone information.



Larry Hodgson Horticom Inc, Quebec City, Quebec





#### SESSIONS AND EVENTS: Tuesday January 9th

#### 🕀 DESIGN

10 - 11:30 am

#### Deconstructing the Garden: How the Design Process Works

Using actual case studies, this lecture explains the thought process that one designer uses when formulating a design. Good landscape design does not happen by accident. Tim Thoelecke, an awardingwinning landscape designer, will take you through each of the steps in his design process with before, during and after illustrations and photos - from drafting board to installed project.

Most landscape plans are drawn in "plan view" as if viewed from above. A professional

landscape designer should bear in mind that most landscapes are experienced from ground level, so that the effects of perspective, foreground/ background and scale are accounted for in the design.



Tim Thoelecke Jr. APLD, ASLA American Academy of Landscape Design, Glenview, Illinois

#### CONTRACTING - IRRIGATION 10-11:30 am

#### Water Conservation Tools: Keeping Up With Industry Advancements

The secret is out: water conservation in the landscape is no longer an option, it is a necessity. The pressure to irrigate efficiently is on the rise.

Advances in technology aren't just for the office; the job site is full of innovation as well. Join Andy Smith, Irrigation Association's State and Affiliate Relations Director, for a presentation and discussion on how to turn water conservation into a sales opportunity.

He will talk about the latest hardware advancements, and will cover practices and processes that will keep your company on the cutting edge of conservation opportunities. Don't miss this opportunity to discover new horizons in landscape irrigation and stay ahead of the trend.

> Andy Smith CIC, CID, CLIA State and Affiliate Relations Director Irrigation Association, Falls Church, Virginia





AFTERNOON SESSIONS AND EVENTS

#### RUNNING A BUSINESS/GARDEN CENTRE Noon-1 pm

#### Getting Media Attention: The Art of Self-Promtion

Is there a magic knack to getting publicity? Why do some folks manage to have their products and services featured everywhere – but others fail to garner any attention from journalists? What must you do to get the media interested in you and/or your products?

Gardening journalist Sonia Day will reveal eight common mistakes that companies and individuals make in approaching the media. Public relations consultant Carol Cowan will explain how to craft messages that get

noticed – and ways to make connections with media people that lead to concrete results.

> Sonia Day Day & Murdock Communications, Belwood, Ontario



#### Carol Cowan Zebra Promotions, Toronto, Ontario





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Noon-1 pm Raised Patio Construction

Raised patio construction is the latest in a series of continuing education programs from the Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute (ICPI). Landscape and hardscape contractors will benefit from this one-hour



educational seminar. Topics include: preplanning, material management, layout and excavation, waterproofing, base preparation, laying the first wall course, sub surface drainage, geotextile separation, open graded

drainage layer materials, geo-grid reinforcement, top course and cap, top drainage, and paver installation.

ICPI Certified Concrete Paver Installers can earn credits towards their advanced level certification.





Rob Burak PEng Director of Engineering Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute, Burlington, Ontario



#### 🗭 CONTRACTING - ALL

Noon-1 pm

# Underground Infrastructure Damage Prevention

Jim Douglas will focus on five main areas, including new and revised industry best practices, the status of the Ontario Regional Common Ground Alliance (ORCGA) one call legislation proposal for Ontario, and the new ORCGA/Humber College Damage Prevention Technician (DPT) Program.

Jim will also address the successes and disappointments in locate response for 2006. He will also talk about locate exclusions, "A Success Story at Enbridge."



Jim Douglas Executive Director Ontario Regional Common Ground Alliance, St Catharines, Ontario



#### (\*) RUNNING A BUSINESS Noon-1 pm GPS Solutions: Driving Profits to Your Business

Global Positioning System (GPS) technology is one of the newest management tools to benefit any business with more than one truck. GPS units can help you produce a safer and more productive work environment – assisting with everything from route optimization to billing and other reporting

functions. Bob will discuss how you can provide better, quicker service to your customers, including some success stories, costs involved, common mistakes and how to avoid becoming "Big Brother."



Bob Farrel Vice President Sales, Pinpoint GPS Solutions, Mississaugua, Ontario



#### SESSIONS AND EVENTS: Tuesday January 9th

#### CONTRACTING - LAWN CARE AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE Noon-1 pm

#### Urban Pesticide Use: Report from the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA)

Since 2001, federal and provincial governments have been implementing the Healthy Lawns Strategy to help Canadians reduce their reliance on pesticides for lawn care through Integrated Pest Management (IPM) principles, with particular emphasis on pest prevention, use of reduced-risk products, and application of pesticides only when necessary. In 2005, the PMRA's Federal, Provincial and Territorial

Committee agreed to consider a broader focus, to encompass pesticide use in urban environments. This presentation will review achievements under the strategy and outline the future direction for urban pesticide use in Canada.



Pam Charbonneau Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs, Guelph, Ontario

#### H RUNNING A BUSINESS

2-3:30 pm

#### Having Fun Delivering Great Service

Delivering excellent customer service in difficult situations only happens when we know our own strengths and weaknesses, when we can read our own emotions and when we have a clear sense of our selfworth. When we can take a fun look at our personal approach to service then it is possible to connect with our customers and give them what they are looking for. In this session Bob Coulter will take a creative look at the three components of great service: Warm Welcomes, Magic Moments and Fond Farewells.

#### **Bob Coulter**

JP Horizons Incorporated, Painesville, Ohio

#### HORTICULTURE/GARDEN CENTRE 2-3:30 pm

#### Flowering Shrubs: The New Essential Landscape Accent

Tim is first and foremost a plantsman, with the enviable task of traveling the world to find new and commercially promising plants for Spring Meadow Nursery. No longer just foundation plants, flowering shrubs are

moving front and centre in the landscape and garden centres. Tim will review new flowering shrubs, what he has discovered in his travels and how new breeding methods and other developments in shrubs are changing our perceptions.



Tim Wood Spring Meadow Nursery, Grand Haven Michigan

#### (1) DESIGN 2-3:30 pm Good Design: The Transition Zone

Established wisdom says that a welldesigned landscape is an extension of the architecture of the home or building - and the owner. Sounds great, but how do you do it? Using specific examples, this lecture explores the uses of entryways, side yards, view corridors, focal points and other connections in creating a landscape design

that is harmonious, comfortable, and cohesive.

The best gardens evolve over time. A landscape design needs to be appealing in all seasons and from many sight lines, especially from indoors looking out.



Tim Thoelecke Jr. APLD, ASLA American Academy of Landscape Design, Glenview, Illinois



#### 🗭 RUNNING A BUSINESS

2-3:30 pm

#### Smart Contracts: Protecting Yourself

Often customer disputes can be avoided by a well-thought-out and well-worded contract, be it for a construction, supply or maintenance contract. Rob will talk about the difference between a good and bad contract, negotiating a good contract, properly defining the scope of work, over-reaching hold harmless clauses, over-reaching contractual obligations (such as promising

the impossible), the importance of notice provisions and acknowledgements in contracts, and the use of site maps and changes in work and dealing with a customer's one-sided contract.



Robert J. Kennaley McLauchlin & Associates, Toronto, Ontario

#### GARDEN CENTRE/RETAIL 2-3:30 pm

#### Garden Centre Trends

Staying alive in today's competitive retail market means you need to be ahead of the crowd. John Reeves, garden centre owner and television personality, will talk about

the trends affecting independent garden centres with an emphasis on colour, developing an identity through market differentiation, the success of container gardening, how to extend the selling season, and the value of buying groups.



John Reeves Reeves Florist & Nursery, Woodbridge, Ontario

# CONTRACTING - IRRIGATION 2-3:30 pm

#### Irrigation and LEED What it Means

LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) has come to Canada. It is a points-based system that encourages environmentally friendly design in commercial, institutional and high-rise residential buildings. On the LEED scale, the absence of traditional irrigation systems is a major plus.

This is not good for the irrigation industry – irrigators need to shift from city supplied water to non-potable water sources, learn how to manage and treat storm water,

reduce point source onsite pollution and replenish ground water.

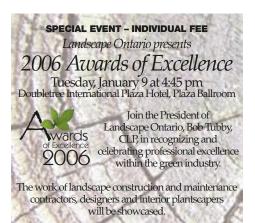
This short, informationfilled presentation will open your eyes so that you can plan and prepare for LEED projects.



Lorne Haveruk CID, CIC, CLIA, WCP DH Water Management Services Inc, Toronto, Ontario



END OF TUESDAY SESSIONS





#### SESSIONS AND EVENTS: Wednesday January 10th



#### LO Annual General Meeting 7:30 am - 9:30 am

7:30 am - 9:30 am Doubletree International Plaza Hotel, International Ballroom

Attend the AGM and have your say on issues that affect you and the industry.

Continental breakfast will be served.



#### HORTICULTURE AND DESIGN

10-11:30 am

#### Designing with Perennials The Perennial Diva's Secrets

It's time to demystify perennial design – and no better person to help than Stephanie Cohen, the most recent winner of the prestigious Award of Merit from the Perennial Plant Association. Co-author of *The Perennial Garden Design Primer*. Stephanie will help you plan gardens for super impact to create satisfied clients and

to promote sales. Learn the rules to create solutions for all kinds of sites, keeping form and colour in mind. Build appealing combinations that make your client's garden look great from spring to fall.



Stephanie Cohen Collegetown, Pennsylvania

International speaker and contractor Jeffrey Scott will share his journey in creating his company's competitive advantage - along with best practices he has learned.

In this seminar you will:

- · Identify the biggest obstacles to creating a competitive edge
- Understand the crucial role of change in protecting your niche
- Master the secret of distinguishing yourself from your competition
- Learn how to gain ideas from outside vour industry
- Come away with your own plan for implemention

Learn from the man who increased referrals/sales from realtors by 2000%



Jeffrey Scott Glen Gate – Pool & Property, Trumbull, Connecticut

# CONTRACTING/RUNNING A BUSINESS 10-11:30 am

#### The Risks of Capitalization in Business

To lease, purchase or rent? That is the question. What effect does each option

have on my overhead and the bottom line? Learn from George Urvari about strategic buying for big-ticket items. Find out what is involved in making equipment purchase decisions based on value and return on investment or ROI.



George Urvari Oriole Landscaping, Toronto, Ontario



#### 10-11:30 am The Competitive Edge No One Can Steal

In this powerfully motivating seminar you will learn how to create a competitive advantage to protect, profit from and grow your niche! see centre pullout for registration forms



# CONTRACTING - GROUNDS MAINTENANCE 10-11:30 am

#### **Quality Grounds Maintenance**

A company's reputation is only as good as the way each property looks after your last visit. Attend this seminar with two of the industry's top maintenance specialists

to learn how to pay attention to the right details to keep your customers impressed every time. Hear some cost-saving tips, as well. Happy customers pay more promptly, and more business rolls in from word-of- mouth referrals.



Jacki Ciphery CLP Waters Edge Landscaping, Bala, Ontario

Jeff McMann ISA Certified Arborist, NPD, CHT Supervisor of Forestry Town of Markham, Markham, Ontario



#### AFTERNOON SESSIONS AND EVENTS

#### (\*) HORTICULTURE Noon-1 pm Creating a Tropical Paradise

Tropicals are one of the hottest new trends.

Marjorie Mason will talk about her experience with tropical plants both indoors and outdoors. She will show you how to select and use indoor/outdoor plants to achieve a tropical flavour in your gardens and containers.



Marjorie Mason Mason Hogue Gardens, Uxbridge, Ontario

#### CONTRACTING/HORTICULTURE

#### Noon-1 pm

#### **Right Tree, Right Place:** A Guide for Landscapers

Todd Irvine, an ISA certified arborist, will cover all aspects of proper tree selection, placement and planting, including site

evaluation. Factors such as soil condition, growth rate and transporting the tree can all affect success when planting trees. Learn how to spot trees in good health, and whether a tree has good structure and much more.



**Todd Irvine** 

ISA Certified Arborist LEAF (Local Enhancement and Appreciation of Forests), Toronto, Ontario



#### (\*) HORTICULTURE Noon-1 pm Natural Landscaping

Are you ready for the growing demand, particularly from municipalities, for a green or sustainable approach to landscaping that will stand up to weather extremes? Learn techniques to create landscapes that require no irrigation or fertilization and minimum maintenance.

The emphasis will be on practical applications, plants and turfgrass alternatives. Go wild with sustainable landscaping experts Paul Jenkins and Miriam Goldberger.



Miriam Goldberger and Paul Jenkins Wildflower Farm, Coldwater, Ontario



**Show Information** The Toronto Congress Centre is located at 650 Dixon Road, minutes from the Toronto International Airport and 15 minutes from downtown Toronto. Show dates are January 9-11, 2007.

The official hotel is the Doubletree International Plaza Toronto Airport Hotel. Please indicate when booking that you are attending the Landscape Ontario Congress/Fencecraft 2007 to receive the show rate. Special rates are in effect until December 22, 2006.

#### To take advantage of room rates, please contact the hotel directly prior to December 22, 2006.

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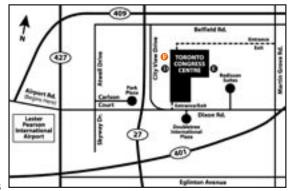
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#### Shuttle bus service

is provided daily from all hotels to the Congress Centre. Shuttle times are posted in the lobby of the hotels.

The selling of goods or services is restricted to official exhibitor booth space. Violation of Congress rules and regulations will result in confiscation of the delegate or exhibitor badge and expulsion from the show.



**Entrances:** Register before Dec. 22/06 and you will receive your badge in the mail and may enter at Entrances **D** or **D**. If you do not have your badge, **you must use Entrance ()**.

#### **Pre-register and WIN three ways!**

WIN A PRIZE: Register before December 22, 2006 and become eligible to win a:

- Kubota All Wheel Drive GR2000
  Garden Tractor with a 48" mower
- 42" Philips Flat HDTV with Pixel Plus - courtesy Exmark Commercial Mowers
- Weekend for two at the Radisson Suites Hotel Toronto Airport
- 2 SAVE MONEY: Registration fees increase on December 22, 2006.
- 3 SAVE TIME: If you have your badge in advance, you can use doors D and E without waiting in line.

After hours events held off-site: AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM Tuesday, January 9 at 4:45 pm and TAILGATE PARTY XI Wednesday, January 10 at the DOUBLETREE INTERNATIONAL PLAZA, located directly across the street from the TORONTO CONGRESS CENTRE.

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# Monday, January 8

See registration form for pre-conference seminars

# Tuesday, January 9

10-11:30 am \_\_\_ Responsibility Is Not a Dirty Word

- **Business Roadmap** Perennials that Like It Hot
- Hardier Than Thou
- Deconstructing the Garden
- Water Conservation Tools
- \_\_\_ Getting Media Attention

Noon-1:00 pm

- Raised Patio Construction
- Underground Infrastructure Damage
- **GPS Solutions**

Prevention

- Urban Pesticide Use
- I Having Fun Delivering Great Service

2-3:30 pm

- Flowering Shrubs
- Good Design: The Transition Zone
- Smart Contracts: Protecting Yourself
- Garden Centre Trends
- Irrigation and LEED

# Wednesday, January 10 10-11:30 am

2-3:30 pm

Industrial Strength Perennials

1-4:30 pm

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Noon-1:00 pm

Creating a Tropical Paradise **Quality Grounds Maintenance** 

Natural Landscaping Right Tree, Right Place

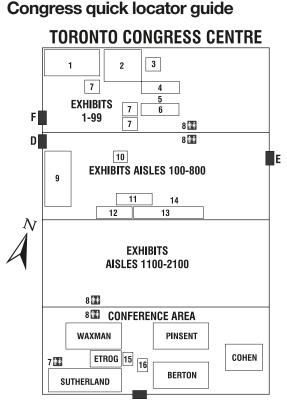
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- \_\_ Designing with Perennials \_\_ The Competitive Edge



#### Who we are and what we do

Landscape Ontario (LO) is a trade association that represents, promotes and fosters a favourable environment for the advancement of the horticultural industry in Ontario. LO serves over 2000 member companies, involved in all sectors of the industry, including landscape contractors, grounds management and snow contractors, lawn care professionals, retail garden centres, wholesale nursery growers, irrigation contractors, landscape designers and interiorscape professionals. Visit www.horttrades.com to join!



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#### Trade Show Hours

January 9 & 10 9 am - 5 pm January 11 9 am - 4 pm

#### **Student Specials**

Student Three-Day Trade Show Pass ......\$10 and Conference Pass ......\$20 See registration form in centre of booklet.

Student Three-Day Trade Show

Students must have a valid student pass and be pre-registered by an instructor of an accredited educational institution. Instructors accompanying students are eligible for student rates.



# ALL INDUSTRY

**Mock Trial** Join us for an exciting look into the world of occupational health and safety

enforcement with



a live courtroom demonstration of an OHS prosecution by Gowlings, one of Canada's leading law firms. The most effective way to avoid enforcement is to understand your legal duties and practice due diligence.

Owners, employers, supervisors, officers and directors, and workers are responsible for fulfilling their legal duties under the OHSA and may be subject to enforcement, including compliance orders, stop work orders and potential prosecution. More and more, employers and individuals in Ontario have been prosecuted under the OHSA by the Ministry of Labour for failing to comply with their legal duties.



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# HORTICULTURE/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE 2-3:30 pm

#### **Industrial Strength Perennials**

There are times when even professionals are puzzled over selecting perennials for challenging commercial sites. Solutions for arid situations, soggy nightmares, endless shade, and blazing sun will be discussed by Stephanie Cohen, the perennial diva. No

longer will perennials for commercial sites be your nemesis!

Her book, *Perennial Gardener's Design Primer*, has been a best seller and was chosen by The Garden Writer's of America as the best overall book in 2005.



Stephanie Cohen Collegetown, Pennsylvania

#### 🕞 RUNNING A BUSINESS

#### 2-3:30 pm

#### The High-Net Worth Consumer is Your Best Customer

In this groundbreaking seminar you will learn how to market and sell services the high-net-worth homeowner will love! International speaker and contractor Jeffrey Scott will share his own experiences and research findings.

In this seminar you will:

- · Learn the most common myths of the affluent
- Master the most important success criterion when dealing with the affluent
- Uncover the tactics and the positive role negotiation plays
- Study why time-saving services are critical to your product mix
- Explore how the affluent are like you and me, and how they are different
- Learn to create an *haute couture* experience they will fall in love with!



Learn from the man responsible for a 98% client retention rate at his own company.

> Jeffrey Scott Glen Gate – Pool & Property, Trumbull, Connecticut

#### (\*) CONTRACTING 2-3:30 pm Better Construction

#### Techniques

Develop bulletproof systems that save

time, money and will give you a competitive advantage. George Urvari will teach you how to charge more money for your projects, make them last longer and reduce work.



George Urvari Oriole Landscaping, Toronto, Ontario



#### SESSIONS AND EVENTS: Wednesday January 10th

## LAWN CARE/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE 2-3:30 pm

#### **Chinch Bug Control**

The hairy chinch bug (*Blissus leucopterus*) is known for the costly damage it causes. Effective management is essential. Spray applications of insecticides historically worked, but spraying is losing ground because of pesticide-use reduction. This

prompted chinch bug research (including two nonchemical control methods). Nancy will highlight the findings as well as the results from tests using the vacuum as a treatment method to reduce chinch bug numbers.





Nancy Hudson Project Researcher Newfoundland & Labrador Horticulture Producers Council

END OF WEDNESDAY SESSIONS

# New Product Showcase

Come and see what's new for 2007 and help select the best new product – vote for the People's Choice Award.



SPECIAL EVENT 5:00 pm to midnight

#### Who Will Be the First

Following the smashing success of the 70s disco theme at the Tailgate Party last year, Landscape Ontario is raising the bar – become the first ever LO Idol!

Singers - For your chance at stardom in the landscaping world, submit your name and song so the band can brush up to make you sound fabulous. The judges are waiting for you – so is the competition!

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Musicians – Bandeoke! Members of the audience can get up and play with Shear Energy, the Bandeoke band. There will be a spare keyboard, guitar, bass and drums just for you.

To enter, contact: Pat Hillmer at pat@landscapeontario.com Hosted by the Congress Committee Doubletree International Plaza Hotel, International Ballroom *Congress badge required for entry* 



#### SESSIONS AND EVENTS: Thursday January 11th

#### ALL INDUSTRY

10-11:30 am

#### Pop The Garlic: Fast Track Training in Prioritizing, Organizing and Getting Things Done

You can 'pop' five cloves of garlic in the same amount of time it takes to peel one. Learn how to be more effective as a leader in developing your team's or crew's ability to work smarter, not harder. Focus of training will be on various methods of prioritizing, organizing priorities and scheduling. You will learn how to:

- get control of your workday
- increase team productivity
- handle multiple projects
- recognize and eliminate time wasters
- benefit from better planning



Lorna McLaren McLaren Formula Training, Kelowna, British Columbia

#### 😫 RUNNING A BUSINESS

10-11:30 am

#### **Hiring on Attitude**

Hire for attitude! It's a straightforward concept: hire the right people and build a better - and more profitable - business. While many corporations still drool over a jaw-dropping résumé, a growing number of corporations are hiring for attitude. They know you can teach job skills, but you can't

turn a curmudgeon into a cheerleader. Attitude is a key element to consider when hiring. Let Jennifer teach you how to hire the right service-minded employees, and develop a culture where they will develop into great leaders.





Jennifer Lemcke, Weed Man/Turf Holdings Inc, Toronto, Ontario

#### HORTICULTURE

10-11:30 am

#### Unusual and Dwarf Conifers: Big Impact

The trends to smaller building lots and consumer interest in unusual or different plant material continues to grow. Jim Lounsbery, co-owner of Vineland Nurseries

specializing in unusual plant material, will give an overview on evergreens that are available today, many of them dwarf or unusual, which makes them ideal for use in today's landscape designs.



Jim Lounsbery Vineland Nurseries, Beamsville, Ontario

# DESIGN AND CONTRACTING 10-11:30 am

#### Creating Good Design: Raising the Bar

Learn the difference between mediocre and good design, and why some designs just do not work. Using real life examples,

Beth and Don will help you avoid common mistakes and sharpen your design skills with lots of practical advice and pictures. This session is for landscape contractors or designers who want to expand or improve the quality of their designs.



Don Chase ChaseRD, Toronto, Ontario







#### ARBORICULTURE AND MUNICIPAL

10-11:30 am

#### **Gypsy Moth Control Program**

In the spring of 2006, Mississauga experienced an unprecedented gypsy moth infestation crisis that threatened thousands of trees. Utilizing Integrated Pest Management practices, a comprehensive Gypsy Moth Control Program was initiated that involved a large number of regulatory agencies, authorities and technical stakeholders. The control program included an aerial insecticide application employing a helicopter and *Bacillus thuringiensis* subspecies kurstaki (Btk) to reduce the gypsy moth populations over city-owned and residential woodland areas.

Tony Fleischmann, Manager of Forestry

for the City of Mississauga, will present the communication strategy, operational procedures and regulatory requirements that were necessary to make the Gypsy Moth Control Program a success.



Tony Fleischmann Manager, Forestry City of Mississauga, Mississauga, Ontario





The display gardens at Congress 2007 are designed and constructed by students from Fanshawe, Humber and St. Clair Colleges.



# ALL INDUSTRY 1-2:30 pm Success Is Not a One-Person Job

Success just doesn't happen – you need the active co-operation of your employees as successful team members. Increase productivity and the quality of your worklife by building a team that thrives, even when the pressure is on.

This is a high impact, fun and interactive

session as we 'go for the jugular' to learn and understand the influence each team player has and how to increase each team member's ability. You will definitely walk away with some powerful revelations.



Lorna McLaren McLaren Formula Training, Kelowna, British Columbia

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#### Landscape Work Tools and Tires: Getting the Job Done

Detachable work tools and tires are essential items for today's landscaper. With the

growing use of compact machines, the availability of specialized work tools or machine attachments can mean increased productivity. Industry experts will show you different types of



applications, including new models; how to use some of the latest work tools; and how work tools can help reduce costs.

Skid steer tires are expensive, forming a large portion of a landscape company's operating and maintenance costs. A tire

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specialist will explain what tires to use in different circumstances, tracks versus tires for some applications, as well as ways to reduce your tire maintenance costs.

#### Mike Knox

General Manager Caterpillar Compact Products, Brampton, Ontario

#### **Joel Schaubel**

Sales Manager, Caterpillar Compact Products, Brampton, Ontario

#### Sam Buckley

Regional Manager Contract Tire Marketing, Oakville, Ontario

## RUNNING A BUSINESS 1-2:30 pm

#### Leave the Competition in the Dust: A Step Above

Many of us are excellent horticulturists, some of us are good with people, and a couple of us are good with money. However, setting yourself apart from the competition is about a different set of skills: hearing what the customer wants, image management, dealing with the neighbours, after-service,

warranties and phone time management. Sean will share his 23 years of experience to cover why a customer deals with you repeatedly, refers you to friends and steps away from the lowest bidder – meaning quality for them and profit for you.



Sean James NPD Fern Ridge Landscaping, Milton, Ontario

#### DESIGN AND CONTRACTING

1-2:30 pm

#### Front and Side Yards: Completing the Package

Front and side yards establish a visitor's first impression, but are often overlooked in the design phase. Successful front and side gardens need careful planning and sensitivity to carry the mood and theme of the garden as a whole. In smaller gardens, they are critical to expanding visually garden size.

Over 30 examples of notable gardens featuring front and side gardens with curb appeal will be highlighted. Frank Kershaw will explain why the design features and hard and soft materials make them so inviting.



Frank Kershaw Toronto, Ontario

#### ARBORICULTURE 1-2:30 pm Arborist Safe Work

#### Arborist Safe Work Practices: What's New?

Safety in the work place is of utmost importance. The Arborist industry is no exception. The uniqueness of this industry with its necessity to work in the trees and still be safe has caught the eye of the Ministry of Labour (MoL). Together, the industry and the MoL have developed new safe work practices for climbing trees. Its implications for the work force and climbing instruction will be explored.

> Ruurd Van De Ven Arborvalley Urban Forestry Co Inc, Newmarket, Ontario



END OF THURSDAY SESSIONS





#### Sam Buckley

For the past four years, Sam has been involved in the creation and development of the Caterpillar Tire Program for Contract Tire Marketing in Oakville. Currently helping dealers as a product specialist, Sam's duties include working with customers to provide a comprehensive line of specialized tire products for every work application.

#### Rob Burak, PEng

Rob, a professional engineer in Ontario, is the Director of Engineering for the Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute, a trade association whose mission is to increase the use of segmental concrete pavements in North America. Rob is responsible for educational training to engineers and contractors.

#### Pam Charbonneau

Pam is a Turfgrass Specialist in the Crop Technology Branch with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs or OMAFRA, and keeps in constant touch with the industry through participation in seminars, committees and organizations. Pam is an Honourary Member of Landscape Ontario.

#### Don Chase BLA, CLD

A graduate of the University of Guelph in Landscape Architecture, Don has worked as a landscape architect, as a municipal parks planner and as an educator. Recently, Don has been instrumental in developing the Certified Landscape Designer program and is an active member of the design commodity group at Landscape Ontario. His firm is ChaseRD.

#### Jacki Ciphery CLP

President of her award winning company, Water's Edge Landscaping, Jacki has shared her success with hundreds of business owners, students and those aspiring to start a business. A 26 year veteran in the industry, she settled in Muskoka in 1990, and serves the waterfront estate market with design, installation and maintenance services. Jacki is involved in many industry events and teaches continuing education across the province.



#### Stephanie Cohen

Stephanie has taught herbaceous plants and perennial design at Temple University for over 20 years and was the Director of the Landscape Arboretum at Temple University.

She is a prolific author and is contributing editor for *Fine Gardening*, The *HGTV Newsletter*, *Green Profit*, as well as a regional writer for the Blooms of Bressingham Plant Program. She also writes for *Country Living Gardener* and *American Nurseryman*.

She has received four awards from the Perennial Plant Association for design, as well as receiving the Award of Merit and the Service and Academic Award. She has received awards from Temple University, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, and The American Nursery and Landscape Association for Garden Communicator of the Year 2000.

#### Bob Coulter

Bob joined the team at JP Horizons after serving for 20 years as a coach and developer of people in the hospitality industry. Bob has a unique background of operations and human resources/ training that has helped him to play key leadership roles for ClubCorp, Marriott and Radisson.

Bob has a BS from Auburn University and is a certified instructor for Seven Habits of Highly Effective People, Novations' Four Stages, Blanchard's Situational Leadership and Behavioral Interviewing.

#### Carol Cowan

Carol is president of Zebra Promotions, a public relations, marketing and promotions company in Toronto with experience in media relations, corporate communications, special events and marketing-related promotional activities in a wide variety of industries. Specializing in horticultural public relations, for 10 years Zebra Promotions was the Canadian PR agency for the Dutch flower bulb industry.

#### Sonia Day

Sonia is a leading Canadian garden writer who writes columns in the *Toronto Star* and *Canadian Gardening* magazine. She has also published four books, including *The Plant Doctor*, *The Urban Gardener*, *The Indoor Urban Gardener* and *Tulips*. She has won a Garden Globe Award from the Garden Writers Association and was named Garden Communicator of the Year by Landscape Ontario.



#### Jim Douglas

Prior to becoming the Ontario Regional Common Ground Alliance's first Executive Director. Jim spent 32 years with Enbridge Gas Distribution, where he was responsible for the delivery of locates in Ontario. Jim was instrumental in the successful implementation of the One Call/One Locate process in the Niagara Region. He is also Past President of the Ontario One Call Board.

#### Beth Edney CLP

With over 17 years of experience Beth, a Certified Landscape Designer, operates Designs By The Yard in Toronto, which specializes in small urban properties in the Toronto area. She is a regular on the W network television show The Gardening Gamble. As an active member at Landscape Ontario, Beth participates on the Congress Committee and is currently the chair of the Landscape Designers' Group.

#### **Bob Farrell**

Bob is Vice President of Sales Operations for Pinpoint GPS Solutions in Mississauga. He has spent twenty years in the telecommunications industry with Nortel Networks, Hyperchip, and most recently with Arkipelago. During his service with Nortel. Bob won its Circle of Excellence award, and was a five-time winner of the Nortel Honour Circle award for sales excellence. Bob was also a qualified Chartered Accountant from 1979 until 2001.

#### Tony Fleischmann

Tony Fleischmann is the Manager of Forestry for the City of Mississauga. He is a Certified Arborist and an active member of the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) as well as a Past President of the Ontario Chapter. He was acting as the Technical Project Coordinator for the Gypsy Moth Control Program in Mississauga. Tony has also presented a number of seminars and workshops on tree-related topics to organizations, including the ISA, Ontario Parks Association, HGTV, Ontario Urban Forestry Council and Canada Blooms.

#### Kristin Gable

Kristin is a public relations expert with GCI Inc in Toronto. She is also the winner of a 2006 ACE Award from the Canadian Public Relations Society.

# Lorne Haveruk CID, CIC, CLIA, WCP

Lorne is a certified irrigation designer, auditor, contractor and consultant focused on water efficiency. He has been involved in all aspects of irrigation since 1989 and is principal of DH Water Management Services in Toronto, specializing in teaching the fundamentals of irrigation, designing water efficient systems, and facilitating central control system implementation.

Miriam is President and co-founder of Wildflower

with architects, landscape architects, contractors,

garden centres and homeowners to educate the public and professionals on the techniques

and benefits of wildflowers and sustainable

landscaping. She is a speaker who regularly appears on radio and TV as well as in print through magazine and newspaper features.

Farm specializing in ecologically-sound, sustainable landscapes. Miriam works closely

#### Larry Hodgson

Miriam Goldberger

Larry is a full-time free-lance garden writer and photographer. He is the garden correspondent for Le Soleil de Québec and a commentator for CBC Radio.

His books include Perennials for Every Purpose and Making the Most of Shade, as well as another 25 titles in both French and English.

#### Nancy Hudson

Nancy is currently a Project Researcher for Newfoundland & Labrador Horticulture Producers Council. She is the lead researcher for an ACAAF funded project titled Non-Chemical Methods for Chinch Bug Control. Nancy has received an award of recognition from the Michigan Arborist Association for the Advancement of Educational Programs in Arboriculture.

#### Todd Irvine

Todd is the Outreach Coordinator for LEAF (Local Enhancement and Appreciation of Forests), where he leads workshops on proper tree care practices and gives talks on the value of trees. LEAF is a Toronto based non-profit organization dedicated to the improvement of Toronto's urban forest. Todd is also a practicing consulting arborist. He is an ISA certified arborist and holds a Masters of Forest Conservation degree from the University of Toronto.





#### Sean James NPD

Sean is a graduate of the Niagara Parks School of Horticulture. He runs Fern Ridge Landscaping in Milton, a small, full-service consult, design, install and maintain company and is President of the Milton and District Horticultural Society. He designed the Milton Millenium Garden. Sean also writes a monthly gardening column in the *Halton Compass*, teaches at Humber College and is a professional photographer.

#### Paul Jenkins

Paul is the Vice-President and co-founder of Wildflower Farm. He specializes in ecologicallysound, sustainable landscapes. He is regularly called upon to consult with architects, landscape architects, engineers and contractors on the design and installation of corporate, municipal and residential projects.

#### Norm Keith LLB, CRSP

Norm is a lawyer with the Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP (Gowlings) Occupational Health and Safety Group, a multidisciplinary team of lawyers and OHS consultants, that helps employers manage workplace risk. During his career, Norm has successfully defended more than 1,000 charges under the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and related statutes and regulations.

#### Robert J. Kennaley

Rob is a former landscape design / build contractor and an Honourary Member of Landscape Ontario, who now practices construction law in Toronto with the firm of McLauchlin and Associates. He speaks and writes regularly on construction law issues, is a regular contributor to *Horticulture Review*, and speaks at both Congress and LO chapter meetings.

#### Frank Kershaw

Prior to retirement, Frank was the Director of Policy and Development for the City of Toronto, Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Department. He received the Garden Club of Toronto's Award of Honour for his outstanding contribution to horticulture.

#### Christoph Kessel

On secondment from the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) to Landscape Ontario, he is helping the nursery industry adopt nursery certification programs. He joined OMAFRA as the Nursery Crop Specialist and most recently was the Nutrition (Horticulture) Program Lead. Christoph is an honorary member of Landscape Ontario and a recipient of its Past Presidents' Award.

#### Mike Knox

Mike has been in the equipment supply business for 29 years, both in retail and as a manufacturer's representative. He has been General Manager of Battlefield Equipment's Caterpillar Compact Sales Division since its inception in 1999, and has sat on numerous equipment dealer advisory boards over the years. Mike has been involved with Landscape Ontario since the mid 70s, and currently sits on several Landscape Ontario commodity groups.

#### Ron Koudys OALA CLD

A landscape designer and certified landscape designer, Ron is the Program Coordinator for the landscape design program at Fanshawe College. His award-winning design firm has been providing landscape architectural services in London for the past 25 years.

#### Tom Leedle CHT

Tom of Leedle Landscaping in Ashurn is a certified horticultural technician. He also was the recipient of a prestigious Landscape Ontario Past President's Award for his contributions to the association.

#### Jennifer Lemcke

Jennifer Lemcke, based in Scarborough, is Chief Operating Officer for Weedman USA. Currently, she is member of the Board of Directors for Planet, the Professional Landcare Network and chair of its Membership Growth Committee.

#### Jennifer Llewellyn

Jennifer is a Nursery Crop Specialist with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs or OMAFRA since May 1999. She is involved with the growing industry through participation in seminars, speaking engagements and committees.

#### Jim Lounsbery

Jim is co-owner of Vineland Nurseries in Beamsville that specializes in unusual plant material including dwarf conifers. He is also Manager and an Instructor for the Horticulture Landscape and Design Certificate program at Mohawk College in Hamilton. Jim has also appeared on television on Calling All Gardeners and Gardeners Journal. Jim's background also includes the Parklands-Arboretum and Trails System, Royal Botanical Gardens, Niagara College and the Niagara Parks School of Horticulture.



#### **Brad Maclver**

Brad is the Art Director for *Gardening Life Magazine*. He is a past director of the Advertising and Design Club of Canada and a winner of an Award of Excellence in the Canadian Newsstand Awards.

#### Ken Marchant

Currently Ken is the Emerald Ash Borer Specialist, Ontario Plant Network, and an Acting Regional Manager for Plant Health and Production for the Canadian Food Inspection Agency in Guelph.

#### Marjorie Mason

Marjorie owns Mason Hogue Gardens, a retail/ mail order nursery and display garden featuring perennials and bulbs and water efficient plants. A noted garden speaker and author, she has been named Garden Communicator of the Year by Landscape Ontario. Marjorie's book is *Amazing Annuals*.

#### Lorna McLaren

Lorna specializes in cultivating powerful relationships through communication strategies and understanding the human factor. She has been an international business owner, an HR and marketing teacher and spent seven years living in foreign lands. She performs over 120 training events a year, with thousands of people, representing small business to Fortune 500 companies throughout Canada, the United States, England, Ireland, Scotland, Australia and New Zealand.

#### Jeff McMann NPD, CHT

A graduate of the Niagara Parks Commission School of Horticulture, Jeff is also a certified ISA Arborist and is the Supervisor of Forestry for the Town of Markham. He has also received a number of honours and awards, and has judged for Communities in Bloom, Landscape Ontario Awards of Excellence, America in Bloom and the CNLA National Awards.

David Oleson B.Arch, OAA, FRAIC

A Fellow of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, David practices in Toronto as principal of Oleson Worland Architects.

#### Ken Pavely

Ken is the program director for the IPM/PHC Council of Canada, and is also working with Landscape Ontario on government and public relations.

#### John Reeves

John has spent his entire career working at Reeves Florist & Nursery, where he has been president of the garden centre for 20 years. He was also Vice President of the Ontario Flower Growers Co-op for five years during the 1980s and spearheaded the founding of the export division.

John was one of the driving forces behind The Garden Centre Group Co-op Corp. in 1984. He was a member of the board of directors and served as Treasurer for 17 years. The co-op has now expanded to 42 member companies and is by far the largest garden centre buying group in Canada.

#### Jason Rekker

Jason is a Territory Manager for Valleybrook Gardens, growers and marketers of Heritage Perennials and Jeepers Creepers groundcovers. He spent several years growing up in and managing a family garden centre business, and now works with garden centres across Ontario to help their perennial departments become more profitable. He is also an avid gardener, frequent speaker, and freelance writer, appearing in such magazines as *Grower Talks* and *Green Profit*.

#### Joel Schaubel

Joel has spent eight years in the equipment industry, having dealt with all products from dozers, feller bunchers, to skid steer loaders, multi-terrain loaders, mini- excavators and everything in between. Joel is now working as a Compact Equipment Specialist in Toronto and for the past four years has been guiding customers in compact equipment applications across Manitoba, Ontario and Newfoundland.

#### Jeffrey Scott

Jeffrey is co-owner of Glen Gate Pool & Property based in Wilton, Connecticut, where he has served as Director of Marketing, Director of Service, and CEO. Before becoming a contractor, he worked in Holland, England, Belgium, France and Sweden as a marketing, branding, customer service expert.





#### Haig Seferian CLD

A certified landscape designer, Haig has located his company, Seferian Design Group, in Burlington. He is the author of *Hardscaping: High Style*, *Low Maintenance Outdoor Spaces* and appears often on HGTV.

#### Andy Smith CIC, CID, CLIA

Andy was a Michigan irrigation contractor who now is the Irrigation Association (IA) Director of State and Affiliate Relations in Falls Church, Virginia. Andy is currently active in water and irrigation issues in the US and Canada.

Smith, an IA Certified Irrigation Contractor, Certified Irrigation Designer and Certified Landscape Irrigation Auditor, has a strong background in agriculture as well as turf/ landscape and golf course irrigation.

#### Doug Smith

Doug is a graduate of York University and Seneca College who now is administering the Integrated Plant Health Care program for the City of Toronto, Parks, Forestry and Recreation.

#### Helmut Spieser, PEng

Helmut is an engineer with the Pesticide Application and Grain Conditioning section of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

#### Gerald Stephenson

Dr. Gerald Stephenson is a Professor in the Department of Environmental Biology at the University of Guelph. He is an author of several books and has contributed to books related to topics such as pesticide biochemistry, pesticides and human health and pest management in agricultural, forestry and landscape environments.

#### Paul Stevens

Currently, Paul is Manager, Professional Turf for Pickseed Canada in Lindsay. With a degree in Turfgrass Management from Melbourne, Australia, Paul worked at Pelican Hill Golf Club, where he helped build, grow-in and maintain a 36-hole Tom Fazio course. Paul joined Pickseed Canada as a Regional Manager in BC.

#### Tim Thoelecke Jr

A past president and certified member of the APLD (Association of Professional Landscape Designers), Tim is also a certified arborist and a full member of ASLA (American Society of Landscape Architects) and the Landscape Design Association. His company, Garden Concepts, has won awards from APLD, the Illinois Landscape Contractors Association, the Perennial Plant Association and the Illinois Chapter of ASLA. He was awarded the Harry Schuster Service Award from APLD and is a member of its Past Presidents Council.

#### George Urvari

George is the founding member of one of Toronto's most prominent full-service landscape contractors, Oriole Landscaping. He is the Landscape Ontario Toronto Chapter President.

#### Ruurd Van De Ven

A graduate of Humber College and a certified ISA arborist, Ruurd has run Arborvalley Urban Forestry in Newmarket for the past 17 years. He also teaches in the Arborist Apprenticeship program at Humber College and is currently its program coordinator.

Ruurd is the Past President of the Ontario Shade Tree Council and ISA Ontario chapter. He also received the ISA Special Achievement Award in 1999, and the Maple Leaf Award in 2004.

#### Tim Wood

Currently responsible for marketing and product development for Spring Meadow Nursery in Michigan, Tim has a wide background in public horticulture, including being Director of Horticulture at both Kingwood Center and Fellows Riverside Gardens. He is co-author of *Tree and Shrub Gardening for Michigan, The Best Garden Plants for Michigan* and *Gardening Month by Month in Michigan*.

#### Paul Zammit

Paul is the Manager of the Perennial Department at Plant World in Toronto. He has also contributed photographs and articles to Epic Gardener and speaks regularly to gardening clubs and horticultural societies. Paul is also a director of the Perennial Plant Association.



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January 8 Landscape Designers Symposium Doubletree International Plaza, Toronto

January 8 **Toronto IPM Symposium** Doubletree Int'I Plaza Hotel, Toronto

January 8 Irrigation Day Doubletree Int'l Plaza Hotel, Toronto

January 9 - January 11 **Congress 2007** Toronto Congress Centre, Toronto Canada's International Horticultural Lawn and Garden Trade Show and Conference www.locongress.com

January 9 Awards of Excellence Ceremony and President's Reception Doubletree Int'l Plaza Hotel, Toronto

January 10 Landscape Ontario AGM Doubletree Int'l Plaza Hotel, Toronto

February 7 Growers Short Course Royal Botanical Garden, Burlington

February 14 GreenTrade Expo Ottawa Civic Centre www.greentrade.ca

February 15 Ottawa IPM Symposium Travelodge Ottawa West, Ottawa

February 22 **Contractors Lecture Series** Toronto Botanical Garden, Toronto

March 7 - March 11 **Canada Blooms** Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto www.canadablooms.com

March 20 **Barrie IPM Symposium** Barrie Event Centre, Barrie March 20-21 Georgian Lakelands Equipment Show Barrie Event Centre, Barrie

March 26 Grounds Maintenance Symposium Landscape Ontario, Milton

March 27 **Grounds Maintenance Symposium** Ukrania Resort, London

March 28 London IPM Symposium Ukrania Resort, London

April 12 **Paradise Found Lectures, Monet's Muse** Centrepointe Theatre, Ottawa www.paradisefoundlectures.ca

September – to be determined Snow and Ice Management Symposium Landscape Ontario, Milton

September – to be determined Growers Auction

September – March – to be determined **Chapter Meetings and Events** Various locations across Ontario

October-to be determined Interiorscape Conference and Trade Show Landscape Ontario, Milton

October 16 Garden Centre and Growers Awards of Excellence Toronto Congress Centre, Toronto

October 16 - October 17 Garden Expo / Florist Expo Canada's Fall Retail Buying Show for the Green and Floral Industries Toronto Congress Centre, Toronto www.gardenexpo.ca

November - December Landscape Ontario Fall Seminar Series Landscape Ontario, Milton

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