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# 'The Business of Trees'



*Certification, Liability, Stewardship, **RISK**, Insects,  
Disease, Management, *Aerial Imaging*, **MARKETING**,  
Licensing, **Safety**, **Sustainability**, **Insurance**,  
OSHA, Tree Law, *Environmental**

**January 27-28, 2022**

**Hattiesburg Train Depot  
308 Newman St.  
Hattiesburg, MS**



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## THURSDAY, JANUARY 27

Morning (2.5 CEU / 2 CFE)

- 7:30 Registration Opens
- 8:30 Welcome, Andy Parker (PAAM President)
- 8:40 MSU/UF Scholarship, Dr. Stephen Grado (MSU Forestry)
- 8:45 MFC Programs/Projects, Misty Booth (MFC)
- 9:15 OSHA Regulations/Updates, Courtney Bohannon (DOL)

*COFFEE BREAK*

- 10:15 MS Tree Surgery Licensing, Russell Kohler (MDAC-BPI)
- 10:35 Pesticide Safety, Gene Merkl (MSU-Extension)
- 11:00 Trees & The Law / Neighbor Law, Skip Kincaid (ISA)

*LUNCH*  
*PAAM Business Meeting*

Afternoon (3 CEU / 2 CFE)

### **BREAKOUT SESSION—MUNICIPAL TRACK**

- 1:30 Tree Diseases, Dr. Clarissa Balbalian (MSU-Extension)
- 2:30 Business Marketing, Katie Howie (USM)
- 3:30 Reclaimed Wood & Sustainability, Dr. Rubin Shmulsky  
(MSU-Sustainable Bioproducts )

### **BREAKOUT SESSION—UTILITY TRACK**

- 1:30 Increasing Ecological Stewardship in Utility Vegetation  
Management, Colby Tisdale (Arbormetrics Solutions)
- 2:30 Conflict Management, Dr. Joe Paul (USM)
- 3:30 Aerial Imaging, Beau Brodbeck (ACES-Auburn, AL)

**Hospitality room** 5:30 PM Hilton Garden Inn (TBA)  
Come by & visit

## Friday, JANUARY 28

Morning (3 CEU / 3 CFE)

- 8:30 Insect Pests of Urban Trees: Identification, Biology and  
Control, Blake Layton (MSU-Extension)
- 9:30 Insurance & Risk, Gates Goza (SouthGroup Insurance)

*COFFEE BREAK*

- 10:45 Trees & The Law / Tree Liability, Skip Kincaid (ISA)

*CLOSING REMARKS*

12:30-4:30 **ISA Certified Arborist, Utility Specialist and  
Municipal Specialist Exam<sup>2</sup> at the Train Depot in  
Hattiesburg, MS**

<sup>1</sup> Total ISA CEUs = 8.5  
Total SAF CFEs = 7.0; Cat. 1

<sup>2</sup> Exam enrollment is only through International Society of Arboriculture (ISA).  
To enroll go to: [isa-arbor.com/Credentials/Exam-Information](http://isa-arbor.com/Credentials/Exam-Information) or call (217) 355-9411. Enrollment deadline is Jan. 12, 2022. For more information contact exam proctor, Dr. Stephen Grado, [s.c.grado@msstate.edu](mailto:s.c.grado@msstate.edu) (662) 617-3691.

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