

MOBILE, ALABAMA: CITY BY THE BAY

45th International Plant Propagator's Society Southern Region of North America Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel Mobile, AL October 23 – 27, 2021

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Saturday, October 23

4:00 PMHotel Check in Begins4:00 PM - 8:00 PMRegistration Open, Pre-Convention 26:00 PM - 8:00 PMAuction Plants accepted, Jubilee Suite8:00 PM - 10:00 PMBoard of Directors Meeting,

Grand Bay Ballroom 2

## Sunday, October 24

Registration Open, Pre-Convention 2 6:00 AM - 9:30 AM 7:00 AM Load Buses for Tour 7:30 AM Sharp! **Buses Depart** Stokley Nursery, Semmes, AL SuperRon's Nursery, Wilmer, AL Fernwood Nursery, Semmes, AL Martin's Nursery, Semmes, AL 12:00 PM **Lunch Sponsored by Martin's Nursery** Van der Giessen Nursery, Semmes, AL Tom Dodd Nursery, Semmes, AL Mobile Botanical Gardens, Mobile, AL 5:00 PM **Buses Depart Mobile Botanical Gardens** for USS Alabama Battleship Memorial Park 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Registration Open, Pre-Convention 2 5:30 PM Social and Dinner on the USS Alabama, Mobile, AL

## LIMITED REGISTRATION NOTICE

Buses Depart for Hotel

8:30 PM

At the time of publishing this brochure, the Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel has limited the number of people at our meeting to 150. Thus, registration for this conference is full registrations only. If this number is increased later in the summer, IPPS-SR will notify members by email of available space. We encourage those who are committed to attending to register for the conference and make their hotel reservations as soon as possible.

Monday, October 25						
6:30 AM - Noon	Registration Open, Pre-Convention 2					
6:30 AM - 7:30 AM	Long Range Site Committee Meeting,					
	Mobile Bay 1 & 2					
6:30 AM - 7:30 AM	Fellows Breakfast, Grand Bay Ballrooms					
7:00 AM - Noon	Auction Plants Accepted, Jubilee Suite					
7:00 AM	Sponsor Set up, Bon Secour Bay Foyer					
7:30 AM	Silent Auction Opens, Jubilee Suite					
8:00 AM	Opening remarks and welcoming of					
	new members, Brie Arthur, 2020-2021					
	IPPS-SR President, Bon Secour 1 & 2					
8:15 AM	Session 1: Moderator, Mengmeng Gu,					
	Texas A&M University					
8:20 AM	"Ornamental Winners and Losers in the					
	Record Texas Freeze of February 15-21,					
	2021", Dr. David Creech,					
	Stephen F. Austin University					
8:50 AM	Camellia Production from Cuttings,					
	Bob Black, Bennett's Creek Nursery					
9:20 AM	Questions					
9:30 AM	Break - Bon Secour Bay Foyer,					
9:55 AM	Visit Auction - Jubilee Suite					
7.35 AM	Session 2: Moderator, Jenny Ryals, Mississippi State University					
10:00 AM	Adaptable Texas Native Woodies and					
10.00 AM	Perennials that Deserve Broader					
	Horticultural Attention.					
	Adam Black, BotaniConserve, Inc.					
10:30AM	Cutting Propagation of Magnolia					
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	John Davy, Panhandle Growers					
11:00 AM	Questions					
11:10 AM	Lunch on your own,					
	Visit Auction Jubilee Suite					
12:55 PM	Session 3: Moderator, Billy Lucas,					
	Van der Giessen Nursery					
1:00 PM	Splinter Hill Bog: An Introduction to					
	Tuesday's Tour ~ Highlighting some					
	Plants Well-Worthy of Nursery Production					
	Fred Nation, Environmental Consultant					
1:30 PM	Missives, Misunderstandings & Mixed					
	Signals: Discussions on Scientific Based					
	Landscape Management in an era					
	of Misdirection and Change,					
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Greg Paige, Bartlett Arboretum

Questions

2:00 PM

Visit Auction - Jubilee Suite  2:25 PM Session 4: Moderator, Brandon Stokley, Stokley Nursery  2:30 PM "Connecting Veterans to Horticulture", Lis Meyer, Samantha Manning, Robert Elliott, North Carolina State University and Soldiers to Agriculture Program  3:00 PM 35 Years of Propagation in 30 Minutes, Maarten Van der Giessen, Van der Giessen Nursery  3:30 PM Questions 3:40 PM Break, Visit Auction, Jubilee Suite  3:55 PM Session 5-Moderator-Todd Lasseigne, Bellingrath Gardens and Home  4:00 PM Advances in Hydrangea Breeding: The Roles of Science and Serendipity, Michael A. Dirr, Partner, Premier Introductions  4:30 PM Questions  4:40 PM Announcements 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Session concludes 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Social, Awards Banquet, Live Auction Bon Secour Bay 3. Fellows Award, Sydney B. Meadows Award, Student Competition Awards, Margie Jenkins IPPS Conference Scholarship Award, Sponsor Recognition and Live Auction Silent Auction Ends  8:30 PM Silent Auction Ends Auction Check out, Pre-Convention 2	2:10 PM	Break - Bon Secour Bay Foyer,
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## Tuesday, October 26

6:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration Open, Pre-Convention 2
6:30 - 7:00 AM	Load buses
7:00 AM	Buses Depart
	Grand Bay, Mobile, AL
	Bellingrath Gardens and Home,
	Theodore, AL
	Waters Nursery Robertsdale, AL
	Lunch at Waters Edge
	Sponsored by Plant Development
	Services, Inc.
	Plant Development Services, Loxley, A

Splinter Hill Bog, Bay Minette, AL

5:15 PM	Depart for Hotel
6:00 PM	Arrive at Hotel, Dinner on your own
8:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Ice Cream Social, Mobile Bay Ballroom
8:30 PM - 10:30 PM	Question Box, Clipper, 1st Floor

## Wednesday, October 27

Wedn	esday, October 27
7:30 AM - 10:00 AM 8:00 AM	Registration Open, Pre-Convention 2 Opening Remarks, Brie Arthur, 2020-2021 IPPS-SR President,
8:10 AM	Bon Secour 1 & 2 Session 6: Moderator, Jeb Fields, Louisiana State University
8:15 AM	Keeping Consumer Demand High: Riding the Green Wave of the COVID-19 Garden Explosion, Heather Kirk Ballard, Louisiana State University
8:35 AM	Teaching the Next Generation of Plant Propagators, Glenn Fain, Auburn University
8:55 AM	Growing an Online Presence: Cultivating Impact through the IPPS SR Website, Newsletter, and Social Media, Laura Barth, IPPS-Southern Region
9:15 AM	Questions
9:25 AM	Break, Bon Secour Bay Foyer
9:45 AM	Business Meeting
10:45 AM	Break
11:00 AM	Session 7: Moderator, Shelby Spittler, Saunders Bros., Inc.
11:05 AM	The Does and Don't's on Using Biologicals, Chris Hayes, BioWorks
11:35 AM	Is Your Fertility Program Stuck in the 1950s? Well, it Should Be! - Nutritional Approach to Passive Plant Pest Immunity, Michael Roe, Windmill Nursery
11:55 AM	IPPS-SR 2022 Meeting Preview Athens, Georgia, Dr. Tim Smalley

Register at: https://form.jotform.com/211334103395143

IPPS-SR 2-21 Meeting concludes

Board of Directors Lunch, Riverboat

Questions

12:15 PM

12:25 PM

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

## 2021 IPPS-SR Tour Description

## **Sunday Tours**



#### Stokley Nursery, Semmes, AL

Lyle Stokley started the nursery in 1970 and now runs it with the help of his two sons, Brandon and Blane. After graduating from Auburn's Horticulture program, the brothers came home to help run the nursery. With Brandon handling production and Blane handling sales, the two make a great team and it shows. The nursery has grown from 30 to 200 acres over the last 15 years. Recently the nursery has opened up two successful retail operations in Semmes and Mobile.



#### SuperRon Nursery, Wilmer, AL

SuperRon's is a great example of how you can be successful at any scale "We only grow a million or more liners each year because I am just too lazy to build more greenhouses." Ron is anything but lazy or at least he hired some good people. If you buy product from Ron, then you know you are getting quality. "We grade meticulously, and we only ship our best-looking plants. That is why our customers come back each year."



#### Fernwood Nursery, Semmes, AL

Jim and Andrea Gaston started Fernwood Nursery in 1973 with one small greenhouse. After receiving Auburn Horticulture Degrees, their sons, Jimmy and Mo came home to help expand the nursery to its current size of 44 acres. The family grows primarily for wholesale and bump-up market and offer a wide assortment, ranging from 4" ground covers to 30-gallon trees. Besides producing a high-quality product, Fernwood focuses on growing what others don't want to grow or offering it at a time when it is scarce.



#### Martin's Nursery, Semmes, AL

Martin's Nursery was founded in 1973 by long time member Mr. Buddy Martin. Little by little Mr. Martin expanded the nursery through purchasing small parcels from surrounding family members. Currently the nursery operates on 280 acres with 110 acres of irrigated nursery beds. Currently the nursery is managed by son-in-law Bill Turk, who you probably know to be highly active in the association on both the regional and international scene. Bill's son Dillon makes three generations at the nursery. Dillon made his way back to the nursery after completing a degree in Horticulture from Auburn. Martin's ships container grown material all over the south east and offers over 50 varieties of azaleas.



#### Van der Giessen Nursery, Semmes, AL

Van der Giessen Nursery was established in 1990 by Maarten and his father Peter Van der Giessen on three acres in Semmes, Alabama. Maarten, his wife, and his life-long friend, Billy Lucas, have since expanded the nursery to over 50 acres with 100,000 sq. ft. of propagation area. Maarten's father, Peter was an active member of IPPS-SR from its inception and was named a Fellow in 1995. Maarten and Billy are both long time and very active IPPS-SR members. The nursery is known for its high-quality liners and wide assortment of unusual plant material. Their plant mix continues to broaden as new and exciting introductions make their way into the industry.



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VAN DER GIESSEN NURSERY, INC.

#### Tom Dodd Nursery, Semmes, AL

Founded in 1920 by Mr. Tom Dodd, Sr. Tom Dodd Nurseries developed a reputation for quality and innovation. In 2004 the nursery was sold and is now owned by Mr. John Williams, Jr. The nursery today continues to strive to produce a diverse selection of quality woody ornamentals, perennials, grasses and groundcovers in all container sizes for the industry. We are licensed by the major brands, including Southern Living, Encore, First Editions, Endless Summer, Proven Winners. We also produce Knockout and Drift Roses. The nursery has grown to nearly 300 acres and employs more than 100 people during peak season



#### Mobile Botanical Gardens, Mobile, AL

Mobile Botanical Gardens was established in 1974 by the South Alabama Horticultural and Botanical Society. Until 2021, the Gardens was privately funded, but now receives some operational support from the City of Mobile. Situated on 106 acres in the Spring Hill area in Mobile, Alabama, you will find 35 acres of Longleaf pine conservation forest and a wide assortment of azaleas, camellias, and Japanese Maples. The K. Sawada Winter Garden was named a Garden of Excellence by the International Camellia Society. The Gardens have over 1,000 azaleas form various collections and the largest collection of Japanese



#### USS Alabama, Site of Sunday Welcome Social & Dinner

The USS Alabama was home to a crew of 2,500 courageous Americans, this 45,000 ton war machine's WWII adventure culminated with BB-60 leading the American Fleet into Tokyo Bay on September 5, 1945. Nine Battle Stars for meritorious service were awarded the "Mighty A" during her brief three year tenure as the "Heroine of the Pacific".

## 2021 IPPS-SR Tour Description

## **Tuesday Tours**

#### Flowerwood, Mobile, AL

Begun as the backyard hobby of Harry H. Smith, Flowerwood Nursery was incorporated as a nursery in 1938. A third-generation family-owned wholesale nursery selling only to the trade with locations in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia. Flowerwood provides broadleaf evergreens, conifers, deciduous shrubs, grasses, groundcovers, trees, perennials, and seasonal color throughout the Southern and Mid-Atlantic states. At Flowerwood Grand Bay you will see how simple adjustments to the potting line can dramatically increase output and reduce labor. You will also see how forks can significantly reduce labor associated with pot placement and spacing in the field.



#### Bellingrath Gardens, Theodore, AL

"Step out of time at Bellingrath Gardens and Home, where quests stroll through a vibrant, ever-changing 65-acre estate Garden and tour the historic Bellingrath Home, built in 1935 and filled with the original antiques and collections of founders Walter and Bessie Bellingrath. The Gardens first opened to the public on April 7, 1932. Bellingrath Gardens and Home offers blooms and beauty every day of the year, and a variety of special events, from Winter Wednesdays in January and February to Magic Christmas in Lights in November and December. Come enjoy the splendors of zone 9 horticulture at Bellingrath!"



#### Waters Nursery, Robertsdale, AL

Donnie and Norma Waters and their 3 sons, Timmy, Tony and Terry started Waters nursery after the hog market crashed in the late 1990s. Slowly the nursery kept adding more blocks and more family and today they grow on 120 acres. Their operation is primarily large containerized trees and shrubs both above around and pot-in-pot. Recently, Waters has expanded into smaller containers in order to take advantage of the dramatic increase in home construction in Baldwin County. While their bread-and-butter is local landscapers, Waters Nursery ships all over the Southeast.



#### PDSI, Loxley, AL

Plant Development Services, Inc. was founded in 1996 by Greg Smith of the third generation, familyowned Flowerwood Nursery, Inc. Flowerwood Nursery remains one of the largest wholesale plant nurseries in the Southeast. Greg identified a need for an industry resource that could market plant advancements being made by breeders throughout the world. Greg created a way for specialized plant breeders to get their plants to the consumer. Today, Plant Development Services owns and/or licenses more than 100 patented plant properties and boasts three top-ranking plant brands: Encore® Azalea, the Southern Living® Plant Collection and the Sunset Western Garden Collection®.



#### Splinter Hill Bog, Bay Minette, AL

"Splinter Hill Bog is home to a variety of habitats, from sandy upland longleaf pine forests to seepage bogs to inundated small stream swamp forests. Much of the site is covered by some of the largest and most visually impressive white-topped pitcher plant bogs in the world. Numerous rare and declining species associated with seepage bogs, upland longleaf forest and coastal blackwater streams are known to occur within this site. Wander on your own (but not too far from the buses) or take advantage of our experienced and gracious tour guides who will point out a number of rare and scarce species of plants, many of which perform well under production in nurseries and cultivation in gardens.



Register at: https://form.jotform.com/2113341033951

## IPPS Executive Committee & Committees for 2020-2021

## Executive Committee

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2 -years (AL) Brandon Stokley

3-years (NC)

3-years (NC) Lis Meyer 4-years (GA) Randy Braddy

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3-years Dr. Jeremy Pickens

4-years
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Dr. Matthew Chappell

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Past President Elliott Hallum

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Dr. Mack Thetford

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2-years Dr. Todd Lasseigne

3-years Dr. Chervl Bover

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International Del. 1-year Tom Saunders

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2-years Blake Jones

3-years Richard May

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2015 Fellow 2 years Buddy Lee

2014 Fellow 1 year Dr. John Ruter

#### **Sponsorship Committee**

**IPPS-SR Fellows Recipients** 

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Charles H. Parkerson, 1993

Dr. Carl E. Whitcomb, 1993

Peter Van der Giessen, 1995

Ron W. Copeland, 1994

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## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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## Early-Career SR-IPPS Professional Exchange Program

In 2013, the SR-IPPS began to participate in the Early-Career Propagator Exchange program with the European (GBI) Region. This is an outreach program to attract and educate early career nursery/green industry professionals. The goal was to interchange young nursery/ green industry professionals between international regions – and give an early career professional the opportunity to learn about the industry/profession in another world region of the IPPS. The SR-IPPS awardee is currently hosted by the European Region – visiting regional nurseries and attending their annual conference. The international pays \$2,000 for travel & expenses on a rotating basis. In alternate years the SR-IPPS contributes \$2,000 towards the awardees travel (plane, other travel expenses), plus some reimbursement to help the local SR hosts cover some of their travel expenses in hosting the professional from the European region in their visit to US green industry. The SR-IPPS Board of Directors, in consultation with the membership, solicits and selects potential candidates.

## Vivian Munday SR-IPPS Young Horticultural Professional Scholarship Work Program

This program was begun in 1997, as the Vivian Munday Undergraduate Awards program - in memory of Dr. Vivian Munday, Professor of Horticulture, University of Georgia. Dr. Munday was passionate about: undergraduate students, all flora and fauna, the SR-IPPS and her job as editor for 18 years. The scholarship work program is to support worthy undergraduate students and introduce them to the SR-IPPS and the green industry. A requirement of the award is that applicants be full-time students in two or four year programs. The students are required to be at the meetings to introduce them to this great organization and reach out to them and hopefully attract them as new members. The scholarships were \$1000 with a \$500 travel stipend per student. Some 3 to 5 students majoring in horticulture/ agriculture were chosen each year.

In 2013, the program was reorganized as the Vivian Munday Young Horticultural Professional Scholarship Work Program. It includes students in horticulture/ agriculture with a career interest in the green industry/ plant propagation. The program is geared to introduce students to career opportunities in the green industry, horticulture and plant propagation. Awardees actively participate at the annual meeting – helping with and attending the educational sessions, nursery tours, and general assistance with running the conference. A goal is to enhance educational interaction with the students and green industry professionals. Through greater engagement / participation between students and professionals - awardees are encouraged to become future members of the society. There are four

individuals (4-pack) selected. In 2019, the number of students supported will be increased. The awardees receive free registration, banquet ticket and tours, and co-share a hotel room at the conference for an equivalent value of \$500. The Vivian Munday Young Horticultural Professional Scholarship Work Program Selection Committee is composed of the four most recent SR-IPPS Fellows.

## Charlie Parkerson SR-IPPS Student Research Awards Program

This program was begun, in 1985, with the objectives to: 1) stimulate student research and career interest in the propagation & production of landscape plants, and the green industry and 2) raise the quality of educational programs through student participation and interaction with the membership at annual meetings of the SR-IPPS. Awards are 1st-\$1000, 2nd- \$500, 3rd- \$250, plus \$500 travel stipend/awardee. In 2007, the program began supporting up to 4 graduate poster presenters @ \$500 travel/awardee. In some years, as many as 12-15 students have applied to compete (paper and oral presentation). There is a Scholarship & Awards Committee composed of industry and academia who evaluate and rank student research papers. Students with the top-ranked papers are invited to make oral presentations at the annual meeting - from which the final selection is made: remaining students are encouraged to give poster presentations. In 2016, the SR-IPPS Student Research Awards program was named: Charlie Parkerson SR-IPPS Student Research Awards Program.

## Margie Jenkins SR-IPPS Industry Scholarship Award

The award was established in 2021 to honor Margie Jenkins. Its purpose is to enable individuals who are employed or self-employed in the nursery/green industry to attend an International Plant Propagators Society – Southern Region of North America (IPPS-SRNA) meeting for their first time. The recipient receives a complimentary full conference registration. Margie Jenkins was a long-time member of the IPPS-SRNA. She started her nursery/green industry career later in life. She became a mentor to everyone and was very passionate about plants. Under her leadership, the Jenkins Farm and Nursery enlarged and prospered, and "Ms. Margie" became recognized as a botanical authority across the Gulf States. She was a frequent guest speaker and lecturer at nursery and botanical organizations. She received awards from many nursery associations, and was the first woman to be inducted into Louisiana's Department of Agriculture Hall of Distinction. Ms. Margie was passionate about mentoring – and introducing new plants to the green industry. She exemplified the IPPS motto: "To Seek and Share".





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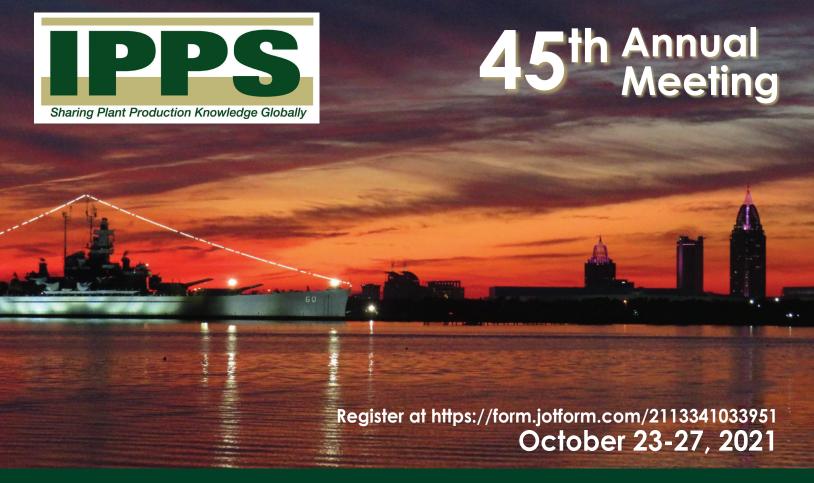


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