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The Landscape and Snow Expo



THE CHAMPION of TREES

8:00 A.M. SHOW OPENS

Welcome to Camp! Grab your name tag and get ready to earn merit badges throughout the day. Exhibits are open until 2:30 p.m.

9:00 A.M.

Tree Pruning Demonstration

Jake Miesbauer, Brian Malatia, The Morton Arboretum Location: Next to EOC Audio booth

Structural pruning of young trees is an important practice to help promote strong architecture in the crown and make trees more resilient to storms. Please join us for this demonstration as we walk through the steps of properly pruning trees to get them off to a good start.

New Plant Introductions

Nate Maren, The Morton Arboretum's Tree & Shrub Breeder and Genomics Specialist Location: Dining Tent B

Get excited about new plant introductions with Nate Maren, Morton Arboretum's Tree and Shrub Breeder and Genomics Specialists. He will talk about how his research program is creating more robust plants to introduce into the landscape through innovative breeding techniques.

9:30 A.M.

Walkabout #1: Cool Plants That Fire You Up! Location: Meet in Dining Tent A

Autonomous Mower Petting Zoo Opens! Located on the northwest side of the show

10:00 A.M.

Gnome Hunt Begins!

3 Gnomes are hiding amongst the exhibit booths. Find one and turn him in at the Registration Tent for a \$100 cash prize!

Plowing Efficiency Opportunities With Wing Plows vs Pusher Boxes

Dale Oberg, SnowWolf Location: Dining Tent B

Join us for an insightful education session where we explore strategies to reduce reliance on small machines and effectively handle larger jobs with them. We'll cover essential techniques such as straight push comparison, angling the snow pusher, backdragging, and windrowing/angle plowing, along with an in-depth cutting edge comparison. Gain practical knowledge to optimize your snow removal operations and enhance efficiency.

Container Wars – Ice

Location: See map

Come watch the thrilling Container War, where creativity meets winter as participants rapidly design stunning "ice" or snow themed containers using available plant material and soil. Winners are determined by applause, so come and clap for your favorite designs!



Earn your merit badges at camp Fire & Ice! Participate in any of the fun activities to collect your badge. Collect all 8! While supplies last.

10:15 A.M.

Tree Planting Demonstration

The Morton Arboretum Horticultural Staff Location: Next to EOC Audio booth

Following best management practices for tree planting is the best start to promote a healthy, longlived tree in the landscape. This demonstration will go over how to mitigate root defects and properly install containerized and ball-and-burlap trees.

11:00 A.M.

Beer Tent Opens

Beer is complimentary and available to campers who are 21 years and older. If you do not have a photo SPONSORED BY:



ID, you will not be served any alcohol. Beer is first come-first served, while supplies last.

Enjoy live music from Ring of Music while you're there!

Lunch is served!

Hungry campers will be served a burger or hot dog along with chips and a drink. A lunch ticket is required. A limited number of lunch tickets are for sale at the Registration Tent. Check the map for food service and dining tent locations.

Kona Ice Truck Arrives!

Enjoy a cup of shaved ice with over 20 flavored syrups to choose from!



Young Professionals Picnic/Meet-Up



11:00-11:15AM: Meet up at the lunch tent & grab food
11:15-11:45AM: Eat lunch under the trees
11:45AM-12:15PM: Play icebreaker / vendor games
12:15PM: Gather together to meet at the beer tent
12:30PM: Meet up for the Plant Walkabout

12:00 P.M.

Lunch & Learn: Adding Liquid Deicing is Easier Than 1,2,3

Presenter: John Kolkman, Kaplan Liquid Solutions Location: Dining Tent B

Bring your lunch and discover why incorporating liquid deicers into your operations can enhance quality, positively impact the environment, and improve financial outcomes through better tracking and job costing. Learn the initial steps for motivation, including addressing customer needs, boosting efficiency, and staying competitive. Explore the necessary equipment for application, storage, and logistics, whether you opt for in-house brine making or purchasing.

12:30 P.M.

Gas vs. Electric Equipment Rodeo Location: See map

Test your skills with both gas and electric string trimmers, leaf blowers, and mowers. Find out which equipment is faster and more efficient in a fun, competitive setting. Don't miss out on this chance to showcase your skills and put your name at the top of the leaderboard!

Walkabout #2: Hot Plants for Cool Days Location: Meet in Dining Tent A

1:00 P.M.

Container Wars – Fire

Location: See map

Come watch the thrilling Container War, where creativity meets winter as participants design stunning "fire" themed containers using available plant material and soil. Winners are determined by applause, so come and clap for your favorite designs!

Gateway to Tree Science Tour

Pre-registration is required for the Tour due to it's limited capacity. Confirmed attendees should meet at the shuttle loading area for transport over to the Gateway. Guests will return from the tour by 2 p.m. —just in time for raffles!

2:00 P.M.

Raffles Over \$850 in cash prizes!



2:15 P.M.

Walk and Learn

Kim Shearer, The Morton Arboretum's Director of Collections & Curator Location: Meet in raffle tent

Stroll the grounds with Morton Arboretum's Curator of Collections and Manager of New Plant Development, Kim Shearer. You will go on a botanical

tour of the grounds looking at collections, learn about future plants for collection development, and learn about origins of the State Street Maple, as well as the Accolade and Triumph Elms.

SNOW PROFESSIONALS

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