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October 18-22, 2026

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 18

4:00 PM	Hotel Registration Begins
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Conference Registration Open, Ballroom Foyer
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Auction Plants accepted, Dallas & Houston
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Board Meeting, Scottsdale & Tucson

Monday, October 19

6:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Conference Registration, Ballroom Foyer
Noon - 9:00 PM	Auction Plants accepted, Dallas and Houston
Noon - 7:00 PM	Exhibit set up, Ballroom Foyer
7:30 AM	Load Buses, backside of hotel, near Conference Center entrance
7:45 AM	Buses Depart hotel
9:15 AM	Two buses arrive at Everde Growers & Tour
9:30 AM	Two buses arrive at Greenleaf Nursery & Tour
10:45 AM	Everde Growers buses depart for Greenleaf Nursery
11:30 AM	Lunch sponsored by Greenleaf Nursery
12:45 PM	Greenleaf Nursery buses depart for Everde Growers
1:15 PM	Tours at Greenleaf Nursery & Everde Growers
2:30 PM	Load all buses to Houston Botanic Garden (HBG)
4:00 PM	Arrive at HBG
5:30 PM	Dinner HBG
7:00 PM	Depart for DoubleTree Hotel

Tuesday, October 20

6:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Conference Registration, Ballroom Foyer
6:30 - 7:30 AM	Fellows Breakfast, Scottsdale & Tucson
7:30 - 8:00 AM	Visit with Sponsors, Ballroom Foyer
8:00 AM	Auction Open, Dallas & Houston
8:00 AM	General Session, Monterey Seattle I & II
	Opening Remarks, Dr. Anthony Witcher, 2025-26 IPPS-SR President, Introduction of Vivian Munday Scholarship Recipients, Margie Jenkins Scholarship Recipient, Coach Vince Dooley Scholarship Recipient, and Exchange Program Participants

Be sure to introduce yourself to our student speakers, student attendees, and scholarship recipients.

8:10 AM	Session 1 , Moderator, Jim Crockett
8:15 AM	LEAP: New Technologies, Automation, and Advancements in Nursery Herbicide Application Equipment , Dr. Chris Marble, University of Florida
8:35 AM	LEAP: Automation Solutions that Save Labor , Dr. Anthony LeBude, North Carolina State University
8:55 AM	Vapor Pressure Deficit, Defining a different way to mist in propagation , Matt Nagle, Lancaster Farms
9:15 AM	Question and Answer for Session 1 Speakers
9:25 AM	Recognition of New Members , Brie Arthur, Membership Chair
9:35 AM	Poster Pitch , Students, Dr. Kris Criscione, Virginia Tech
9:55 AM	Refreshment Break, Visit with Sponsors, Visit Silent Auction, View Posters
10:15 AM	Session 2 , Moderator, Dr. Sandy Wilson, University of Florida, Dr. Kris Criscione, Virginia Tech
10:20 AM	The Charles SR-IPPS Student Research Competition
10:25 AM	First Student Presenter
10:45 AM	Second Student Presenter
11:05 AM	Third Student Presenter
11:25 AM	Fourth Student Presenter
11:45 AM	Question and Answer for Session 2 Speakers
11:50 AM	Sponsor Recognition , Dr. KeVin Parris, Sponsor Chair
11:55 AM	Announcements
12:00 PM	Lunch on your own
1:30 PM	Session 3 , Moderator Devin Stage, Stephen F. Austin State University
1:35 PM	Lumberjacks Make Great Plant Producers: Propagation Practices at SFA Gardens , Jordan Cunningham, Stephen F. Austin State University
1:55 PM	Boxwood Dieback Disease , Dr. "Raj" Raghuwinder Singh, Louisiana State University
2:15 PM	Pour-through Refurbished - Lessons Learned , Dr. Tom Yeager, Nursery Plant Production
2:35 PM	Question and Answer for Session 3 Speakers
2:45 PM	Refreshment Break, Visit with Sponsors, Visit Silent Auction, View Posters
3:00 PM	Session 4 , Moderator, Flint Johnson
3:05 PM	IPPS International Update , Brie Arthur, SR International Delegate
3:20 PM	Breeding Better Buxus , Didier Hermans, Better Boxwood
3:40 PM	"Starting Clean: Pest Management in Propagation" Suzanne Wainwright-Evans, Bug Lady Consulting

4:00 PM	"I wish you knew now the things that I know now." Handing Off to the Next Generation , Bill Turk, Martin's Nursery
4:20 PM	Question and Answer for Session 4 Speakers
5:30 PM	Auction Closes , Dallas & Houston
6:00 PM	Social (cash bar) Ballroom Foyer
7:00 PM	Awards Banquet and Live Auction , Monterey Seattle I & II
9:00 - 11:00 PM	Auction Checkout , Ballroom Foyer

Wednesday, October 21

6:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Conference Registration, Ballroom Foyer
7:30 AM	Load Buses, backside of hotel, near Conference Center entrance
7:45 AM	Buses Depart Hotel
7:45 AM	Two buses to Magnolia Garden Nursery
7:45 AM	One bus arrives at Magnolia Garden Nursery
7:45 AM	One bus arrives at Magnolia Tissue Culture Lab
10:00 AM	Buses leave to travel to switch sites
10:30 AM	Each bus tours Magnolia sites
11:45 AM	Travel to Creekside Nursery for Lunch
12:15 - 12:30 PM	Busses from Magnolia arrive at Creekside Nursery
12:30 PM	Lunch Sponsored by Creekside Nursery and Harrell's
1:30 PM	Group tours Creekside Nursery
2:45 PM	Depart for Twinwood Farms
3:15 PM	Arrive at Twinwood Farms
4:30 PM	Depart Twinwood Farms for Double Tree Hotel
8:45 AM	Two buses travel to Twinwood Farms (Simonton, TX)
10:15 AM	Depart Twinwood Farms
10:45 AM	Arrive at Creekside Nursery & Tour
12:00 Noon	Lunch Sponsored by Creekside Nursery and Harrell's
1:00 PM	One bus departs and travels to Magnolia Gardens Nursery
1:30 PM	Arrives at Nursery & Tours
2:45 PM	Departs Magnolia Gardens Nursery
3:15 PM	Arrives at Magnolia Tissue Culture Lab and Tours
4:30 PM	Departs for Double Tree Hotel
1:00 PM	One bus departs and travels to Magnolia Tissue Culture Lab
1:40 PM	Arrives at Magnolia Tissue Culture Lab & Tours
2:55 PM	Departs Magnolia Tissue Culture Lab
3:25 PM	Arrives at Magnolia Gardens Nursery and Tours (1.25 hours)

Please bring along a few dollars in cash to tip the bus drivers on Monday and Wednesday.

4:40 PM	Depart for Double Tree Hotel
	Dinner on your own
8:15 PM	Ice Cream Social , Monterey, Seattle, I & II
9:00 - 10:00 PM	Question Box , Monterey, Seattle I & I

Thursday, October 22

7:00 - 9:30 AM	Registration open , Ballroom Foyer
8:00 AM	General Session , Monterey, Seattle, I & II
8:00 AM	Welcome , Dr. Anthony Witcher, 2025-26 IPPS-SR President
	Session 5 , Moderator, Brad Abrameit, Magnolia Gardens Nursery
8:05 AM	Fertigation/Chemigation - Principles and Techniques , Seth Peed, The Peed Company
8:25 AM	All the Plant Wants to Tell Us: Biosignals , Mauricio Manotas/ Matt Bonavita, Vivent
8:45 AM	History of Substrates in US Nursery Industry , Dr. Brian Jackson, NC State University
9:05 AM	Question and Answer for Session 5 Speakers
9:15 AM	Annual Meeting, Elections and Passing the Gavel
10:15 AM	Refreshment Break, Visit with Sponsors, View Posters
10:30 AM	Session 6 , Moderator, Dennis Niemeyer
10:35 AM	Forty Years of Woody Ornamental Evaluation , Dr. David Creech, Stephen F. Austin State University
10:55 AM	Integrated Container Rootzone Management for Improved Root Growth and Development , Dr. Kristopher S. Criscione, Louisiana State University
11:15 AM	IPPS Early Career Exchange Program: 2025 Eastern Region , Preston Sherwood, Magnolia Plantation
11:35 AM	Looking Ahead to Charlottesville, VA in 2027 , Tom Saunders, Saunders Brothers Nursery
11:55 AM	Question and Answer for Session 6 Speakers
12:00	Conference ends.

Thank you for attending! We will look forward to seeing you in Charlottesville, VA October 24-28, 2027.

12:30 - 2:00 PM	Board Meeting & Lunch , Scottsdale & Tucson
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2026 IPPS-SR Tour Description

Monday Tours

Greenleaf Nursery - El Campo, TX

Greenleaf Nursery Co. in El Campo is a major wholesale producer with a strong emphasis on shrub, rose, and tree production supported by near-complete in-house propagation. The operation illustrates a propagation-to-finish system, where liners are produced internally and grown out for distribution to landscape and retail markets nationwide. Visitors will see how large-scale nurseries manage inventory, maintain plant quality, and coordinate production to meet consistent market demand.

Everde Growers - Glen Flora, TX

Everde Growers' Glen Flora farm is a large-scale wholesale nursery operation producing a diverse mix of trees, shrubs, perennials, grasses, tropicals, and specialty crops for regional and national markets. The scale of production highlights high-volume logistics, coordinated crop scheduling, and the integration of greenhouse, shade, and field systems. This site demonstrates how large operations maintain consistency and efficiency while managing a wide range of plant material across multiple production environments.

Houston Botanical Garden - Houston, TX

The Houston Botanic Garden serves as a 132-acre public garden focused on plant collections, education, and conservation, offering a contrast to production nurseries on the tour. The site features diverse themed gardens that showcase plants adapted to Gulf Coast conditions, as well as global and specialty collections. This stop highlights how plant material performs in the landscape, along with the role of public gardens in education, outreach, and connecting horticulture to the broader community.



2026 IPPS-SR Tour Description

Wednesday Tours

Magnolia Gardens Nursery - Waller, TX

Magnolia Gardens Nursery is a wholesale container nursery producing woody ornamentals and seasonal crops tailored to Texas markets. The operation emphasizes finishing strategies that bring crops to market-ready quality, along with efficient container production practices such as spacing, pruning, and timing. This site provides insight into how growers align production schedules with regional demand while maintaining uniformity and plant quality.

MGN Liners - Magnolia, TX

MGN Liners Laboratory focuses on the early stages of plant production through vegetative propagation and liner development in controlled environments. The facility demonstrates the importance of sanitation, environmental control, and consistency in producing high-quality liners that serve as the foundation for finished crops. This stop highlights how propagation systems integrate with greenhouse production to support efficient, large-scale nursery operations.

Creekside Nursery - Hempstead, TX

Creekside Nursery produces a wide range of shrubs, perennials, and trees with an emphasis on plant quality, diversity, and market appeal. The operation reflects current trends in plant selection, including newer cultivars and a broad palette suited for both retail and landscape use. Visitors will see how nurseries manage diverse inventories while maintaining consistency, branding, and product differentiation in a competitive market.

Twinwood Farms - Simonton, TX

Twinwood Farms is a regional wholesale nursery focused on producing hardy, landscape-performing ornamentals adapted to Texas conditions. The operation highlights practical production strategies for managing heat and drought stress while maintaining plant quality and efficiency. This stop provides insight into how mid-sized nurseries balance crop selection, production practices, and market demands within a challenging growing environment.



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IPPS-SR Fellows Recipients	Recipients of Southern Region's Sidney B. Meadows Award of Merit
John L. Machen, Sr, 1993 Charles H. Parkerson, 1993 Dr. Carl E. Whitcomb, 1993 Ron W. Copeland, 1994 Fred W. Garrett, 1994 Peter van der Giessen, 1995 Judd P. Germany, 1995 David M. Byers, 1996 Dr. Michael A. Dirr, 1997 Dr. Bryson L. James, 1998 James Berry, 1999 Buddy Martin, 1999 Richard Marshall, 2000 Ben Davis II, 2000 Wayne Sawyer, 2001 James Gilbert, 2002 Dr. David L. Morgan, 2003 Bill Barr, 2004 Doug Torn, 2004 Margie Yates Jenkins, 2005 Don A. Covan, 2005 Randy Jacobs, 2005 Dr. Charles Gilliam, 2006 Dr. Fred T. Davies, 2006 Eelco Tinga, Jr., 2007 Bob Smart, 2007 Stewart Chandler, 2008 Dr. Ted Bilderback, 2008 Bill Turk, 2009 Dr. Patricia Knight, 2010 Dr. Thomas Yeager, 2010 Hugh Gramling, 2011 Kay Phelps, 2012 Dr. Gary Knox, 2013 Dr. Mack Thetford, 2014 Tom Saunders, 2015 Robert Black, 2015 Dr. John Ruter, 2016 Buddy Lee, 2017 Dennis Niemeyer, 2018 Dr. Sandra Wilson, 2018 Dr. Donna Fare, 2019 Dr. Allen Owings, 2019 Dr. David Creech, 2020 Rick Crowder, 2021 Maarten van der Giessen, 2021 Kevin Gant, 2022 Dr. James Robbins, 2022 John Hoffman, 2023 Robert Green, 2024 Laura Miller, 2025	Charles H. Parkerson, 1990 David M. Byers, 1991 Dr. Vivian Munday, 1992 Dr. Bryson L. James, 1993 Dr. Fred T. Davies, Jr., 1994 Bill Barr, 1995 James B. Berry, 1996 Dr. J.C. Raulson, 1997 Richard Marshall, 1998 John Machen, Sr., 1999 Dr. Carl E. Whitcomb, 2000 Dr. Michael A. Dirr, 2001 James Gilbert, 2002 Dr. David L. Morgan, 2003 Fred Garrett, 2004 Dr. Charles Gilliam, 2005 Dr. Donna Fare, 2006 Thomas 'Buddy' Martin, 2007 Dr. Tom Yeager, 2008 Dr. David Creech, 2009 Dr. Ted Bilderback, 2010 Margie Jenkins, 2011 Don Covan 2012, 2012 Stewart Chandler 2013 Rick Crowder, 2014 Eelco Tinga, Jr. 2015 Dr. Mack Thetford, 2016 Dr. Patricia Knight, 2017 Robert "Buddy" Lee 2018 Robert "Bob" Black 2019 Dr. Gary Knox 2020 Tom Saunders, 2021 William "Bill" Turk, 2022 Dennis Niemeyer, 2023 Kevin Gantt, 2024 Dr. Sandra Wilson, 2025

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Room Rate: \$139.00 per night plus taxes

Deadline: September 26, 2026

Booking Link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=HOUAPDT&groupCode=CDTIAC&arrivaldate=2026-10-18&departuredate=2026-10-22&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

2027 (Oct 24 – Oct 28) Charlottesville, VA
2028 (Oct 22 – Oct 26) Huntsville, AL

IPPS-SR Early-Career Professional Opportunities

Margie Jenkins IPPS-SR 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 the 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."

Vivian Munday IPPS-SR Young Horticulture Professional Scholarship Work Program

This program began 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 IPPS-SR and her job as editor for 18 years. The scholarship work program supported worthy undergraduates and introduced them to the IPPS-SR and the green industry. A requirement of the award was that applicants be full-time students in two or four year programs. The students were required to be at the conference meetings to introduce them to this great organization and to reach out to them and hopefully attract them as new members. The scholarships were \$1,000 with a \$500 travel stipend per student. Some 3-5 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 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. The awardees receive free registration, banquet ticket, and tours, and co-share a hotel room at the conference. The Vivian Munday IPPS-SR Young Horticulture Professional Scholarship Work Program Selection Committee is composed of the three most recent IPPS-SR Fellows.

Early Career IPPS-SR Professional Exchange Program

In 2013, the IPPS-SR began to participate in the Early-Career Propagator Exchange program with the European Region. This is an outreach program to attract and educate early career nursery/green industry professionals. The goal is 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 IPPS-SR awardee is currently hosted by the European Region. While visiting the region, the awardee will attend the regional conference and visit nurseries. The IPPS-SR provides \$2,000 to the awardee to cover travel expenses. Partial reimbursements are available to SR hosts to cover some of their travel expenses related to hosting the European Region awardee when needed.

The Charles IPPS-SR Student Research Awards Program

This program began in 1985 with the objectives to: 1) stimulate student research and career interest in the propagation and 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 IPPS-SR. Awards are 1st - \$1,000, 2nd - \$500, 3rd - \$250 plus \$500 travel stipend for each awardee. In 2007 the program began supporting up to 4 graduate post presenters at \$500 travel for each awardee. In some years, as many as 15 students have applied to compete (paper and oral presentation). There is a Scholarship and Awards Committee composed of industry and academia who evaluate and rank the student research papers. Students with the top-ranked papers are invited to make oral presentations at the annual meeting - from which the final election is made. Remaining students are encouraged to give poster presentations. In 2016, the IPPS-SR Student Research Award program was named the Charlie Parkerson IPPS-SR Student Research Awards Program.

Students with the top-ranked papers are invited to make oral presentations at the annual meeting - from which the final election is made. Remaining students are encouraged to give poster presentations. In 2016, the IPPS-SR Student Research Award program was named the Charlie Parkerson SR-IPPS Student Research Awards Program and in 2024 the name was changed at the request of Mr. Parkerson to also honor Dr. Charles Gilliam his longtime friend.

Coach Vince Dooley IPPS-SR Student Scholarship

This program was established in 2023 in honor of the late Coach Vince Dooley from University of Georgia. Recipients do not work the conference but rather use this opportunity to network with IPPS members and identify employment opportunities. Eligibility is for Juniors or Seniors in 2 or 4-year ag science/horticulture programs. Scholarship covers full registration, hotel, and travel (actual flight costs or mileage reimbursement), plus \$250 spending money. Awardee will share a hotel room with other scholarship winners.



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IPPS-SR Member YES NO Meal Selection(deadline 10/1/26): _____ Standard _____ Vegetarian _____ Gluten Free

	* Early Rate is only available to active IPPS Members			
	Early* (by Sept 18, 2026)	Regular	Student**	Amount
Full Registration (Conference, Mon & Wed Tours, banquet	\$575.00	\$725.00	\$195.00	\$ _____
Full Registration - Group of 3 or more*	\$510.00	N/A	N/A	\$ _____
Conference Registration (Seminars Only - no banquet or tours)	\$250.00	\$275.00	\$ 50.00	\$ _____
MondayTour	\$155.00	\$195.00	\$ 70.00	\$ _____
WednesdayTour	\$155.00	\$195.00	\$ 70.00	\$ _____
Tuesday Banquet	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 30.00	\$ _____

ATTENDEE #2 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Email _____ Preferred Nick Name for Badge _____

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Full Registration - Group of 3 or more*	\$510.00	N/A	N/A	\$ _____
Conference Registration (Seminars Only - no banquet or tours)	\$250.00	\$275.00	\$ 50.00	\$ _____
Monday Tour	\$155.00	\$195.00	\$ 70.00	\$ _____
WednesdayTour	\$155.00	\$195.00	\$ 70.00	\$ _____
Tuesday Banquet	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 30.00	\$ _____

* Group Rate -Register 3 or more from the same organization at the same time and at least 1 attendee must be a IPPS Member.

** Enrolled as a full time student

I would like to join IPPS-SR for the 2027 year @ \$150.00 \$ _____

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