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INLA 2018 Trade Show: Another Success Story

Each year the **Iowa Nursery & Landscape Association** (INLA) and **Iowa Arborist Association** (IAA) host a trade show in conjunction with the Iowa State University (ISU) annual Shade Tree Short Course (STSC) in February. We are very pleased at the turn out for our event this year! The trade show was in Ames, IA on February 20 - 22. Tuesday we held ICNP tests and ICNP education. The trade show preview and reception was a great way to kick off the 3day event.

Awards & Recognition

At the INLA annual meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 21, INLA President John Hughes announced the 2017-18 INLA scholarship recipients as well as presented the "2018 Merit Award" to Wayne Koos, "2018 ICNP of The Year Award" to Anne Marie VanDerZanden, and "2018 Hall of Fame" to Doug Matthias. See page 2-3 for bios.

Our reception and auction were very fun for all who attended! Thank you to those who helped us raise money for our <u>INLA</u> <u>scholarships</u>. The reception was open to all attendees and there was no charge to attend. The live auction was successful and lively.

The INLA board of directors want to thank your 2018 sponsors for helping support the association. We appreciate your dedication and continued interest.

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2018 INLA Tradeshow Highlights

Congrats to the ICNP of the Year!

Anne Marie VanDerZanden was named ICNP of the year. Anne Marie began as an ISU faculty member, her initial appointment was in the department of Horticulture with teaching and extension responsibilities. She has taught over 20 different subject matters and has served as a horticulture extension specialist from 2003-2012. She also served on the INLA Board from 2004-2012 during which she chaired the education and certification committees.



2017-18 Scholarship Recipients

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2017-18 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!

Annually the Iowa Nursery & Landscape Association (INLA) provides scholarships to students who are pursuing majors in horticulture degrees at Iowa colleges. INLA is pleased to award the following four scholarships. The association recognized these 4 students on Wednesday, February 21.

Haber Scholarship Winners: Justin Wigdahl, Iowa State University

Community College Scholarship Winners

Sarah Gard, Kirkwood Community College Connor Canova, Kirkwood Community College Allyson Haselhuhn, Indian Hills Community College



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Highlights (Cont...)

2018 Merit and Hall of Fame Awards Announced



Pictured: Mark Schneider (left), Executive Director, Iowa Arboretum accepting the award on behalf of Wayne Koos from INLA President, John Hughes (right)

2018 Merit Award - Wayne Koos

Wayne first became interested in horticulture when he was looking to plant a wind break for his home. He attended workshops and events at the Iowa Arboretum and later joined as a member in the late 1980's. He volunteered installing the dry rock creek in front of the arboretum building and erecting the Bechwith pavilion. During the original construction it wasn't uncommon for him to be seen volunteering 3-4 days a week. Later on he has continued to help in mowing the 40 acres surrounding the arboretum and has been the long time serving board treasure. Wayne has been invaluable to the Iowa Arboretum for many years, and as an added bonus the Arboretum is celebrating its 50th year anniversary.



Pictured: Doug Matthias (left) INLA President John Hughes (right)

2018 Hall of Fame - Doug Matthias

Doug began his career in junior high hoeing, weeding & trimming. His friend's father owned a nursery, garden center and installation firm and needed help. Later while working at UNI he had friends and family asking him to do small landscape maintenance jobs. In the spring of 1999, he left the university and focused on establishing his business. Over the years it has grown to 16 full time employees plus his two sons. Some of his best memories were in the beginning years when his father, who was an entrepreneur himself, would talk business over a beer or two. He joined INLA and served on the board of directors for four years with the intent to help our association grow in the industry.

Seeking Applications for International Plantscape Awards

The International Plantscape Awards are now open Entries are judged on their own merit rather than and accepting applications through April 13, 2018.

plantscape design, installation, creativity, renovation, submissions may be awarded the coveted Diamond continues to grow, these awards celebrate the strides entries. of interior plantscapers to connect people with plants in remarkable ways.

against each other, which means that the best and the brightest all shine together. Award winners earn a The AmericanHort International Plantscape Awards designation of gold or platinum based on points recognize outstanding achievements in interior scored from information and photos provided. Certain and innovation. As awareness of indoor plant benefits and Emerald judges' awards for the best overall

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Decoding The New Tax Code



While Republicans were writing and passing their tax reform legislation, AmericanHort senior vice president Craig Regelbrugge was on Capitol Hill talking to leaders, working to understand the overhaul of the tax code, and advocating for aspects of the bill that matters for the horticulture industry. "We devote a lot of time to developing and sustaining relationships," Regelbrugge says. "We're hearing and we're talking to folks directly providing input getting feedback and then also through kind of more traditional sources." **Read Full Article>>>**



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<u>2018</u>

June ICNP Exam Iowa Arboretum, Madrid, IA July 14-17 Cultivate'18 Greater Columbus Convention Center Columbus, OH <u>2019</u> Jan 17-18 2019 Western Crown Center Exhibit Hall Kansas City, MO