



Schedule

as of Jan. 23

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Sponsor Talks

Various dates & times TBD Tues. March 4 - Tues. March 18, via Zoom

UMass Amherst / MassWoods | Tuesday, March 4, noon - 1 p.m.

❖ **Beyond the “Illusion of Preservation”**

Paul Catanzaro

TNC in Massachusetts | Tuesday, March 11, noon - 1 p.m.

❖ **Freshwater Resilience: Adding Rivers and Streams into your Land Conservation**

Mark Anderson, Barbara Charry, Arlene Olivero

Mass Audubon | Wednesday, March 12, noon - 1 p.m.

❖ **Discussion of Mass Audubon’s 30x30 Catalyst Fund with Current and Potential Partners**

David Santomenna

EOEEA | Tuesday, March 18, noon - 1 p.m.

❖ **Developing Biodiversity Conservation Goals for the Commonwealth**

Jennifer Ryan, Eve Schlüter

Friday, March 21

UMass Amherst Campus Center, Amherst MA (Live, In-person)

*Note: General = for all audiences; it does **not** mean “basic”.*

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Registration, light breakfast, networking, visit exhibitors

8:30 - 9:20 a.m. Newcomers' drop-in (more about [Early Career Conservation Network](#))

9:30 – 10:45 a.m. Concurrent Workshops (1 h 15 m) **8 workshops**

❖ **A Blueprint for Better Boards: Three Strategies for Board Recruitment** **General**

Jen Plowden, Karen Grey

❖ **Managing Forests for Climate** **Intermediate**

Josh Rapp, Hayden Stebbins, Alison Wright-Hunter

- ❖ **Saving the Farm: A Case Study for Successfully Using C.61 to Preserve Land from Development** General
Dennis Murphy
- ❖ **Programming & Partnership: Serving Under-Represented Communities** General
Emily Biggs, Anissa Nieve
- ❖ **Your Invasive Plant Management Questions Answered: Strategies and Tactics for LTs of All Sizes** Intermediate
Tom Lautzenheiser, John Sangermano, Jane Maloney
- ❖ **Natural Climate Solutions in Massachusetts: How Landowners Are Using Wetlands, Farms, and Forests to Fight Climate Change** General
Laura Marx, Sebastian Gutwein, Sara Grady
- ❖ **Centering Reciprocity: Land Trust & Indigenous Community Relationships (Part 1)** General
Pam Ellis, Kimberly Toney, Andre Strongbearheart Gaines, Jr., and Jennifer Albertine
Note: This two-part workshop encompasses two conference sessions. Participants are encouraged to attend both.
- ❖ **Alternatives to Conservation Restrictions** Advanced
Elizabeth Wroblicka, Mark Robinson

- 10:45 – 11:05 a.m. Break, visit exhibitors (20 minutes)

- 11:05 a.m. – 12:20 p.m. Concurrent Workshops (1 h 15 m) 8 workshops

- ❖ **Centering Reciprocity: Land Trust & Indigenous Community Relationships (Part 2)** General
Pam Ellis, Kimberly Toney, Andre Strongbearheart Gaines, Jr., and Jennifer Albertine
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- ❖ **DCS Open Space and Recreation Grant Programs: An Overview** General
Vanessa Farny, Melissa Cryan
- ❖ **Chittick Elementary’s Community Schoolyard: An Example of How GIS and Urban Climate Solutions Support EJ Communities** General
Jodi Valenta, Margaret Owens, Taj Schottland
- ❖ **Follow the Forest: Using Community Science to Inform Conservation Action** General
Isabel Bronson, Julia Rogers
- ❖ **Troubleshooting Land Negotiations** Intermediate
Rob Warren, David Santomena
- ❖ **Riparian Restoration in High-Priority Sites Across the Commonwealth** General
Naomi Valentine, Hilary Dimino, Lori Johnson
- ❖ **Gatherings to Galas: Raise Awareness, Friends and Money with Events** General
Jenny Hansell

- ❖ **Landscape Software Users Roundtable** anyone with Landscape experience
Nancy Cowan, Tom Dodd, Olivia Lukacic, Michael Madole

12:20 – 2:10 p.m. Lunch / Networking / Plenary / Award Presentation
Auditorium (1 h 50 m)

12:20 – 1:05 p.m. Visit exhibitors, lunch (45 minutes)
Optional lunch networking by interest group in side rooms:
Development staff (Room 168) | Small-Staffed Land Trusts (Room 174)
| All Volunteer Land Trusts (Room 165) | Stewardship (Room 163) |
Early Conservation Career Network (Room 162) | Land Protection (Room
TBD)

1:05 - 2:10 p.m. MLTC Welcome & Keynote Speaker Congressman Jim McGovern (1 h 5)

2:10 – 2:25 p.m. Break, visit exhibitors (15 minutes)

2:25 - 3:40 p.m. Concurrent Workshops (1 h 15 m) 7 workshops

- ❖ **Designing and Operating Accessible Nature Trails** General
Lucille (Lucy) Gertz, Liz Stetson, Stephen Hutchinson

- ❖ **Farmland Protection: Tools, Funding Sources, and Success Stories** General
Kathleen Doherty, John Chester, Nick Pitel

- ❖ **Litigation Toolbox: Lessons Learned from Sudbury Valley Trustees v. Iron Horse Equestrian**
General
Michael Campinell, Kristin O'Brien, Lauren Karam

- ❖ **Community Stewardship: Building Capacity Through F(r)ee for Service Programs**
Intermediate
Janet Milkman, Karen Grey

- ❖ **DEIAB: How to Get Started, How to Plan for It, What's Worked, What Hasn't** General
Jenny Hansell, Emma Ellsworth

- ❖ **Cooper Hill Conservation Project: Achieving Landscape Scale Conservation through Alliance Building and Shared Resources** General
Marianne Iarossi, Kathy Orlando, Jay Rosa

- ❖ **Habit to Habitat: Transforming Landscapes to Resilient Ecosystems, from Conception to Maintenance** General
Evan Abramson, Jason Steiding

3:40 - 4:30 p.m. Networking reception (Free soft drinks, cookies, cash bar)
Exhibitors welcome to stay.

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