



ELA Conference & Eco-Marketplace

March 7, 2012 Schedule

8:00 – 8:30

Registration and Continental Breakfast

Workshop #1

Bringing Life to Urban Landscapes: New Ideas in Urban Design

8:30 – 9:30

Seeing Green: Designing the Urban Landscape

Tobias Wolf, Wolf Landscape Architecture

9:30 – 10:30

Creating an Urban Edible Forest: A Case Study

Kate Venturini, URI Outreach Center

10:30 – 10:45 Break

10:45 – 11:45

Native Plant Communities Suited to Urban Sites

Kevin Staso, North Creek Nurseries

11:45 – 1:15 Keynote Luncheon

Japanese Knotweed Control Solutions: Latest Techniques from the UK

Michael Clough, Japanese Knotweed Solutions Limited

1:15 – 2:15

Verticulture: Taking Gardens to New Heights

Trevor Smith, Land Escapes

2:15 – 3:15

Water-Centric Sustainable Communities: Planning, Retrofitting, and Building the Next Urban Environment

John Ahern, PhD, UMass Amherst

3:15 – 3:30 Break

3:30 – 4:30

Bringing the “Wild” into the Urban Landscape

Thomas Benjamin, Regenerative Design Group and ECS' Energy Services Division

Workshop #2

“Pro”active Protection of Wetlands: Conservation and Landscape Professionals Collaborate

8:30 – 10:30

Working Together In Ecologically Sensitive Areas

Ingeborg Hegeman, BSC - Ecological Sciences Group
Theresa Sprague, Blue Flax Design

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Protecting Water Resources: Beyond Silt Fencing and Hay Bales

John Engwer, Groundscapes Express and Phase II Stormwater Solutions

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Landscaping on the Edge: Creating Habitat Gardens

Nanette Masi, Back to Nature