

Specialty Classes and Certifications

Schedule is subject to change.

| MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025 | |
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| 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM | CPP Review Danny Lauderdale, Cyndi Lauderdale, Colby Griffin, Matt Jones, NCSU |
| 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM | NC Commercial Pesticide Applicator Training School Dr. Wayne Buhler, NCSU |
| 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM | Fundamentals of Landscape Design Graphics Richard Ludwig |
| 8:30 - 11:30 AM | Mastering Landscape Lighting and Irrigation: Techniques for Sustainable and Stunning Outdoor Spaces Lee Barnwell & JB Liefert, SiteOne |
| 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | Chainsaw Training, Safety, and Maintenance Class Will Parker, Mark Harrison, Jamie Pettinato, David Sluder, STIHL |
| 1:00 - 4:00 PM | Hardscape Mastery: Techniques for Durable Patios and Retaining Walls Nick Pinturo, SiteOne |
| 1:00 - 5:00 PM | Landscaper School Will Parker, Mark Harrison, Jamie Pettinato, David Sluder, STIHL |

| TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025 | |
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| 8:30 - 11:30 AM | CPP Review Danny Lauderdale, Cyndi Lauderdale, Colby Griffin, Matt Jones, NCSU |
| 8:30 - 11:30 AM | NC Commercial Pesticide Applicator Training School Dr. Wayne Buhler, NCSU |

CEU Opportunities The NCNLA applies for continuing education credits from the following entities:

- **LC** Landscape Contractor License (NC) — Technical CEU
- **IC** Irrigation Contractor License (NC) — Technical Irrigation CEU
- **ISA** International Society of Arboriculture — Certified Arborist
- **LCB** Landscape Contractor License (NC) — Business CEU
- **ICB** Irrigation Contractor License (NC) — Business CEU
- ▲ **CPP** NC Certified Plant Professional
- **LA** Landscape Architect License (NC)
- **PA** Pesticide Applicator License (NC)

Please note that Marketplace attendees will not be able to earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs) by walking the trade show floor. In lieu of offering this credit, we will continue to seek credit approval for the sponsored demonstrations.

Monday, January 13, 2025 & Tuesday, January 14, 2025

NC Commercial Pesticide Applicator Training School

Monday: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM
Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM



Dr. Wayne Buhler, NCSU

Auditorium II

The school takes place over a 1 1/2-day period and reviews pesticide material (manuals) so that attendees may be better prepared to take the NCDA&CS pesticide exams, NC State Extension Specialists, County Extension Agents, and NCDA&CS Pesticide Inspectors present lessons from the Pesticide Education Program's manuals and answer questions or offer clarification on issues that applicators face.

This 1½-day course conducted by NC State Extension prepares prospective applicators for the private and commercial applicator certification exams. Two study manuals will be shipped to participants upon registration. We strongly recommend those study manuals are read and reviewed before the course.

Test fees are not included and must be paid by check or money order only directly to NCDA&CS at time of testing. NCDA&CS will offer any exam type, including Core and Ornamentals/Turf to registrants.

CPP Review

Monday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM



Danny Lauderdale, Cyndi Lauderdale, Colby Griffin, Matt Jones, NCSU

Auditorium III

Whether you're gearing up for the final push to become a Certified Plant Professional (CPP) or are simply exploring the depth of horticulture knowledge required, this review may be for you. The instructors have over 75 years of combined ornamental experience and several have been teaching CPP-based programs for the past 20 years, you will be in good hands. To take full advantage of this review, NCNLA strongly recommends you purchase, read and study the CPP manual before attending the review. The review will focus on plant identification using images and questions will be answered related to the CPP study manual.

Is this review for you?

- If you have put in the work to prepare for the exam on your own but need some guidance through the final push – this is for you!
- If you are not familiar with the depth of horticultural knowledge required to become a CPP and want to learn how to prepare for the exam – this is for you!
- If you are just beginning to study for the exam and are seeking guidance on how to create your own study plan to take the exam in the future – this is for you!

Monday, January 13, 2025

Fundamentals of Landscape Design Graphics

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM



Dr. Richard Ludwig

Biltmore Meeting Room

An attendee favorite, Dr. Richard Ludwig, returns to Green & Growin' with a full-day workshop offering participants bold yet efficient strategies to communicate design concepts on paper. This course is recommended for landscape professionals who wish to improve their design marketing abilities and drawing skills. All drawing supplies and course materials are included.

Drafting supplies provided: circle template, drafting vellum, multiple graphite pencils, eraser, multiple colored pencils and markers.

Chainsaw Training, Safety, and Maintenance Class

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM



Mark Harrison, Will Parker, Jamie Pettinato, David Sluder, STIHL

Turnberry Meeting Room

During this 4-hour training and demonstration, participants will gain the necessary skills and be taught best safety practices to be taught best safety practices. During this session, STIHL experts will review the basic saw check list before daily operation, maintenance skills to keep everyone working efficiently, proper PPE for operation, and simple cutting procedures to help stay diligent in the field. This session will review maintenance of gas and battery chainsaws, bars and chains, fuel systems, proper PPE, safe cutting techniques, and much more. This session is great for all chainsaw operators, including occasional use to the professional arborist and everyone in between. Commercial users such as landscapers, college/university, town municipalities, golf courses, and other related professional businesses will find they will all learn something from this training. Weather permitting, there will be a hands-on cutting demonstration. Please dress accordingly with long pants, sturdy closed toed shoes, and weather appreciate clothing. All personal protective equipment will be provided during the demo portion.

Mastering Landscape Lighting and Irrigation: Techniques for Sustainable and Stunning Outdoor Spaces

8:30 - 11:30 AM



Lee Barnwell, JB Liefert, SiteOne

Pinehurst Meeting Room

Join industry leaders from SiteOne as they dive into the latest techniques in landscape lighting and irrigation. This hands-on workshop will equip you with the skills to design and implement systems that not only enhance the beauty of outdoor spaces but also promote sustainability. Learn how to create stunning visual effects with advanced lighting solutions while optimizing water usage with innovative irrigation techniques. Perfect for professionals looking to elevate their projects, this workshop offers practical knowledge and tools to ensure your landscapes thrive, day and night, in any season.

Landscaper School

1:00 - 5:00 PM



Mark Harrison, Will Parker, Jamie Pettinato, David Sluder, STIHL

Turnberry Meeting Room

During this 4-hour training and demonstration class STIHL experts will discuss small engine equipment maintenance, basic small engine mechanics, small engine quick checks, battery and air-cooled engine maintenance on zero turn mowers, zero turn quick checks, battery units in handheld outdoor power equipment, and using the correct tools and parts for the job, etc. This training session will be tailored around professional customers that run and use handheld and zero turn mowers in their daily activities. We will talk about the safety in the use of this equipment as well as the proper maintenance of these different tools to keep the equipment in use when needed. Commercial users such as landscapers, college/university, town municipalities, golf courses, and other related professional businesses will find they will all learn something from this training.

Hardscape Mastery: Techniques for Durable Patios and Retaining Walls

1:00 - 4:00 PM



Nick Pintauro, SiteOne

Pinehurst Meeting Room

Presented by SiteOne, this comprehensive workshop is designed for professionals seeking to refine their hardscaping skills. Dive deep into the essentials of patio installation, including effective compaction techniques, and learn the common pitfalls that lead to retaining wall failures. This hands-on session will not only teach you how to prevent these issues but also provide strategies for addressing them when they arise. Whether you're looking to enhance your existing knowledge or tackle challenging projects with confidence, this workshop equips you with the expertise needed to build durable, lasting hardscapes that stand the test of time.

2025 License Requirements

Proof of Attendance Forms

Within 30 days of the show ending, attendees will receive an email with instructions on how to access their proof of attendance forms for all sessions where their badge was scanned prior to entrance. Once received, NCNLA encourages all attendees to confirm their attendance is recorded correctly.

The information provided below was extracted from the corresponding licensing boards' websites, for current licensing requirements, please contact your licensing board.

NC Landscape Contractors

- All licensed landscape contractors must personally complete seven (7) hours of Board Approved Continuing Education per year. Three (3) of seven (7) CE credits must be "landscape (technical)" credits and two (2) of seven (7) must be "business" credits. The remaining two (2) may be either landscape or business.
- For more info, visit nclclb.com

NC Irrigation Contractors

- Licensees are required to earn ten (10) continuing education credits each year, six (6) irrigation and four (4) business.
- For more info, visit nciclb.org

NC Landscape Architects

- In order for a licensee to qualify for license renewal as a Landscape Architect in North Carolina, the licensee must have completed ten (10) contact hours of approved continuing education within the previous renewal period.
- For more info, visit ncbola.org

NC Pesticide Applicators

- The type of credit each session is approved for is listed under the individual session (D, L, etc.)
- The number of credits needed varies by the license category.
- For more info, visit ncagr.gov

Out of State Pesticide Applicators

- Several of our pesticide credits have been approved by out-of-state licenses. Please contact education@ncnla.com to confirm the approved sessions for non-NC licenses.

International Society of Arboriculture

- The type of credits each session is approved for is listed under the individual session (Certified Arborist, Municipal Specialist, etc.)
- For more info, visit isa-arbor.com

NC Certified Plant Professionals

- CPPs are required to earn eight (8) continuing education credits every two years.
- For more info, visit ncnla.com/CPP