

INDIANA TREE STEWARDS AGENDA



October 1 & 2, 2026
9 a.m.- 3 p.m.

Training Site:

Forest Park
701 Cicero Road
Noblesville, IN 46060

Directions: [Google Maps Link](#)

Day 1 –

- 9-9:15 a.m. **Check-in, introductions**
- 9:15-9:45 a.m. **Benefits of Trees, the Urban Forest and How YOU Can Help**
Community and Urban Forestry Team (IDNR)
- 9:45-10:15 a.m. **Tree Physiology - How Does a Tree Grow?**
Speaker: TBD
- 10:15-10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30-11 a.m. **Tree Identification (Part 1)**
Speaker: Aren Flint (Davey Resource Group)
- 11-11:45 a.m. **Tree Identification (Part 2)**
Speaker: Aren Flint (Davey Resource Group)
- 11:45-12:30 p.m. **Right Tree – Right Place: Selection**
Speaker: Carrie Tauscher (Crown Hill Cemetery & Arboretum)
- 12:30-1:30 p.m. **Lunch + Networking**
- 1:30-2 p.m. **Recommended Tree Maintenance**
Speaker: Jonathan Xanders (Xanderbuilt Tree Care)
- 2-3 p.m. **Tree Planting Demo**
Speaker: Noblesville Parks & Jonathan Xanders (Xanderbuilt Tree Care)

****Be prepared for any of the sessions to go outside. Dress appropriately for the outdoors and for the weather. We will be using pruning tools for this training so please bring eye protection and a pair of gloves if possible, otherwise they will be provided. Please let us know ahead of time if you have any physical constraints so we can work to accommodate.**

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Day 2 –

- 9-9:45 a.m. **Pruning Basics Part 1**
Speaker: Anthony Ley (Arbor Artistry)
- 9:45-10:45 a.m. **Pruning Basics Part 2**
Speaker: Anthony Ley (Arbor Artistry)
- 10:45-11:15 a.m. **Abiotic Disorders and Common Tree Defects**
Speaker: Sam Martinez (Golden Tree)
- 11:15-12:15 p.m. **Biotic Tree Problems**
Speaker: Jeff Harris (Arbor Rangers)
- 12:15-1:15 p.m. **Lunch + Networking**
- 1:15-2:15 p.m. **About Local Advocacy + Brainstorming Session**
Speaker: IDNR Community and Urban Forestry
- 2:15-3 p.m. **Wrap-Up and Volunteer Opportunities**
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