

Annual Celebration & Awards Dinner

Teaching the Value of a Tree

Thursday, June 13, 2018 Celebration Farm, Iowa City



12:30 p.m.

Registration

1:00 p.m.

**Timber
Frame
Barn**

Panel Discussion: In Trees We Invest

Description: What economic value do trees have?

Moderator:
Jeff Jensen, Trees Forever Working Watersheds Program Manager

Panelists:
Patty Reisinger, Trees Forever Field Coordinator and Bird Friendly Iowa
Everett Birch, Bee Keeper and TreeKeeper, Marengo, Iowa
Guy Sternberg, Founder of Starhill Arboretum and International Oak Society

2:45 p.m.

Break

3:00 p.m.

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Panel Discussion: In Trees We Believe

Description: What is the value of a tree for the mind, body and spirit?

Moderator:
David Bowes, Trees Forever Director of Development

Panelists:
Jonny Lipford, Native American Flutist
Shannon Ramsay, Spirit of Trees Producer and Trees Forever Founder & CEO
Laura Weber, Associate Director and Retreats Coordinator, Prairiewoods
Andy Dahl, University of Iowa Arborist

4:00 p.m.

Break

4:15 p.m.

Amphitheater

Award Winners Photo

4:30 p.m.

**Double Round
Barn Patio**

Cocktail Reception

with flute music performed by Johnny Lipford

6:00p.m..

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Dinner & Awards Ceremony Opening remarks

Shannon Ramsay, Trees Forever CEO & Founding President

Keynote: "The Diversity and Majesty of Bur Oak"

Introduction:
Debbie Fluegel, Trees Forever Program Manager

Keynote Speaker: Guy Sternberg, Starhill Forest Arboretum Director

Description: Sternberg will share images of bur oak trees throughout the nation that will inspire and showcase the value of these majestic trees. He is the founding president of the International Oak Society and the director of Starhill Forest Arboretum, which includes the most comprehensive Plant Collection Network certified oak collection in Northern America, and the author/photographer of many books and articles about trees.

Presentation of Awards:

Elizabeth Daly, Trees Forever Trustee
Jim Newcomb, Trees Forever Board Member

Youth Awards Speaker:

Lori Kriz with Hoover Elementary

President's Award to Margo Underwood:

Shannon Ramsay

Scholarship Announcement:

Margo Underwood, Trees Forever Board Member

Gold Leaf Society Recognition

Branching into the Future

Lu Barron, Trees Forever Board Member
Nancy Lowenberg, Trees Forever Foundation Trustee

Video: 2019 Highlights

8:00-8:30 p.m.

Adjourn

Congratulations to Our Award Winners!

Environmental Steward Award

Judson Isebrands
Sara-Beth Hostetter

Media Partner Award

Barb Grabner-Kerns

Outstanding Advocate Award

Brian Leaders
Robert Berggren

Outstanding Group/Organization Award

Iowa Nut Growers Association
UPCYCLE Stewards

Outstanding Volunteer Award

Patti Hoffman
Michael Contratto

Outstanding Youth Project Award

Earth Week Blitz
Terry Trueblood Planting
Kedra Hamilton

Outstanding Youth Group Leader Award

Sue Green

President's Award

Margo Underwood

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