

Urban Tree Symposium

*Beneath the Canopy:
Roots, Soil, and City Life*

Friday, April 17, 2026

9am-4:30pm

New England Botanic Garden's annual Urban Tree Symposium is dedicated to exploring the importance of urban forests and ways we can improve our green spaces. Each symposium brings together experts in the fields of forestry, horticulture, biology, technology and more for a day of learning and connecting that will inform your work in our communities and your own home. The Urban Tree Symposium is geared toward current and aspiring professionals, but all are welcome. CEUs available.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Ed Gilman

PROFESSOR EMERITUS
ENVIRONMENTAL HORTICULTURE DEPARTMENT
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

**What the Woods Tell Us
About Pruning Trees**



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New England
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AT TOWER HILL



Fagus Forethought and
Carpinus Conundrums

DR. MATTHEW BORDEN
BARTLETT TREE RESEARCH
LABORATORIES



Preserving Threatened
New England Urban
Forests Utilizing
Carbon Markets

JOHN WHALEN
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER
CITY FOREST CREDITS REGISTRY



Wood Banks & Urban
Forestry: Exploring
the Relationship

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EXTENSION PROFESSOR OF
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FORESTRY, UMASS AMHERST



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