



TREE PRESS

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"Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul alike."

– John Muir

Show Support for Our Riders

Forty-four riders are going to tough it out through the Rocky Mountains at this year's Tour des Trees and--just like they need oxygen at the top of a mountain--they need all the support they can get. You can donate directly to your favorite rider at www.tourdestrees.org.

Don't have a favorite rider? You can donate directly to all the riders that are participating in support of your ISA chapter or state team. Just click the DONATE button at the top and select your team. (Examples: Ohio Team, Southern Team, Wisconsin Team, Rocky Mountain Team, etc.)

Feel like you are missing out? You can still join in on our Virtual Tour des Trees and participate from home. Registration for the virtual event is free and you can earn prizes for hitting different fundraising levels. The best part is, virtual participants get to participate in events throughout the ride, such as educational presentations, yoga classes, video of the ride, and more.

Learn more about participating in the Virtual Tour des Trees [here](#).

In the Rockies... or from home

Support our Tour des Trees riders!

Help our riders raise funds for the TREE Fund today!

Win a \$100 Gift Certificate!



Our Tour des Trees riders are busy training for this year's ride but they are also looking for your support to help them hit their fundraising goals.

That is where our friends at Sherrilltree come in.

Sherrilltree has generously donated ten \$100 gift certificates that can be used on their website, sherrilltree.com, and those will be awarded to ten random winners who donate at least \$75 to a Tour des Trees participant or team.

To donate, go to www.tourdestrees.org and search for your favorite fundraiser or team at the top of the page. (Donations can be made to in-person riders and virtual participants.) Donate at least \$75 to their campaign between now and August 5th and we will select ten winners from that group of donors. Every \$75 donated between now and then gets you one raffle entry, so a \$150 donation equals two entries, a \$225 donation gets you three entries, and so on.

Fall Grant Cycle Opens August 1

John Z. Duling Grant Program

Provides start up or seed funding to support innovative research and technology transfer projects. Up to \$25,000 (minimum \$10,000). Letters of inquiry (LOIs) of no more than 100 words are accepted Aug. 1 to Sept. 15, 2021.

For approved LOIs only, applications accepted Aug. 1 to Oct. 1, 2021

[Read more here.](#)



Jack Kimmel International Grant Program

Provides funding for arboriculture research by applicants working primarily outside of the United States. Up to \$10,000 (minimum \$5,000).

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Safe Arborist Techniques Fund Grant Program

Supports original research that creates a safer work environment for people working in the tree care industry and the general public they serve. Up to \$15,000 (minimum \$5,000).

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Bob Skiera Memorial Fund Building Bridges Initiative Grant Program

Supports projects which will help arborists and urban foresters communicate the value of trees and urban forests on a global basis through technology transfer and engagement with developers, builders, civil engineers, city planners, elected officials and other policymakers. Up to \$30,000 (minimum \$10,000).

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Tree and Soil Research Fund Grant Program

The TREE Fund Board of Trustees is launching the new Tree and Soil Research Grant, made possible by a permanently restricted endowment fund supporting areas of research of interest to the landscape architecture community with special focus in the area of trees and the soils that support them. Up to \$10,000 (minimum \$5,000). Letters of inquiry (LOIs) of no more than 100 words are accepted Aug. 1 to Sept. 15, 2021.

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Lead Donors

We are deeply grateful to the following people and organizations who contributed \$2,500 or more to the TREE Fund in June 2021:

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See the full list of lead donors who make our vital tree research and education work possible on our [website](#).



TREE Fund Webinar Series 2021

The TREE Fund is proud to partner with the Alabama Cooperative Extension System to bring you free education offerings. We are now able to accommodate up to 3,000 participants! Mark your calendars for these upcoming free webinars from TREE Fund:

A three-pronged approach to understanding the defensive mechanisms in Green Ash resistant to EAB

Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 12p.m. Central

Jeanne Romero-Severson, PhD, University of Notre Dame

[Register here.](#)

Long-term effects of electrical right-of-way vegetation management on floral and faunal communities

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021, at 12 p.m. Central

Carolyn Mahan, PhD, Penn State Altoona

Digging into the Science of Tree Planting and Removing Packaging Materials

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 12 p.m. Central

Richard Hauer, PhD, University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

Andrew Koeser, PhD, University of Florida

Jason Miesbauer, PhD, The Morton Arboretum

Growing trees in paved sites

Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021, at 12 p.m. Central

Alessio Fini, PhD, University of Milan

The TREE Fund's 1-hour webinars are free and offer 1.0 CEU credit for live broadcasts from the International Society of Arboriculture, the Society of American Foresters, the National Association of Landscape Professionals and sometimes the Landscape Architecture Continuing Education System. Registration information becomes available on our website approximately one month before each webinar date.

Missed a webinar? Watch it anytime on our [website](#).

CEU Credit for Recorded Webinar

TREE Fund now offers ISA CEU credits for two recorded webinars: "Loading of a Tie-in Point While Climbing" and "Planning for the Next Three Letter Urban Tree Canopy Changer: Lessons Learned with DED, EAB, ETC." If you missed either one of these webinars, you can now watch the live recordings and earn ISA CEU credits by completing a 20 question quiz with 80% accuracy. Learn more on our [website](#).

TREE Fund Achieves Highest Rating Again

For the third consecutive year, the TREE Fund has reached GuideStar's highest level of achievement for nonprofit transparency--the platinum award. GuideStar is the world's largest and most authoritative source of information on nonprofit organizations. Major donors tend to look to GuideStar as the "seal of approval" before making donations.



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