

OktoberPest

Pest Management Workshops for Greenhouse and Nursery Growers Every Thursday in October



Azalea lace bug, Photo: Rosetta

Oct. 1 **Mite Fight: Integrated Pest Management for Mites**

Robin Rosetta, Department of Horticulture, OSU/NWREC - This session will be a two-part lecture that will focus on integrated pest management of mites. Mite identification, life cycle, damage, monitoring, and management will be discussed. Management recommendations will follow an integrated approach and cover relevant cultural, biological, and chemical control options. Hands-on demonstrations with biological control agents will be included.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Oct. 8 **The Greener Green: Sustainability in Nursery Systems**

Hester Yorgey, Ecos Consulting, will discuss the basics of climate change, and why businesses—particularly nurseries—are being driven to include environmental responsibility in their daily business practices. Andrew Arnold, SureHarvest Professional Services, will give a brief overview of the Sustainable Winegrowing Program as a model for an industry-wide sustainability program. James W. Julian, Agricultural Economics, OSU/NWREC, will lead a discussion of what it means to be sustainable from an economics perspective

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Oct. 15 **Not in My Back Yard: Invasive species in Ornamental Systems**

Robin Rosetta, Department of Horticulture, OSU/ NWREC - This workshop will focus present and potential invasive species of concern in ornamental systems such as landscapes and nurseries. Thousand cankers disease of black walnuts, azalea lace bug, and other new pests? Learn about exotic pest threats and how their establishment might be slowed or prevented.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Oct. 22 **Tools of the Trade: Tools of Use for Monitoring Plant Health and Pests**

Robin Rosetta, Jim Owen, and Heather Stoven, Department of Horticulture; and Luisa Santamaria, Department of Botany/Plant Pathology, OSU/NWREC - This workshop will focus a variety of tools to check plant health and monitor and identify pests. Hands-on demonstrations of tools will be included. Attendees will learn how to check for soluble salts, and pH. Participants will be shown how to use a Phytophthora test kit, various traps and monitoring tools; and use of hand lens, and microscopes of various kinds.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Oct. 29 **Plant Maladies: Introduction to Plant Pathology (IN SPANISH)**

Luisa Santamaria, Department of Botany/Plant Pathology, OSU/NWREC - Participants will have an introduction to plant pathology including organisms and other factors that cause disease in plants. Attendees will be shown how to use a microscope and other basic tools to see disease organisms. The workshop targets Spanish speaking employees and will be conducted in Spanish.

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

All Workshops are \$45.00 and will be held at the North Willamette Research and Extension Center, 15210 NE. Miley Rd., Aurora, OR. For further information about these classes, contact Jan Egli at (503) 678-1264 x 110 or e-mail at jan.egli@oregonstate.edu. We have applied for Pesticide Recertification Credits for all workshops except Oct. 8, Sustainability Workshop..