

MFA Educational Trainings Coming To You!

The Maryland Forests Association, in cooperation with University of Maryland and Forestry for The Bay is conducting five Educational Workshops for family forest landowners, MFA members, Tree Farmers, and forest conservationists. Registration and Payment is required by the deadlines indicated for each workshop. Seats are limited and on a first registered-first served basis. Registration details can be found at <http://www.mdforests.org/>.

Register using PayPal or by mailing check as soon as possible to Jessika Wrabel, Communications Coordinator, Maryland Forests Association, Inc. using the registration form that follows. All questions about registration should be directed to Jessika Wrabel. All questions about the workshop content should be sent to the contact person listed for the specific workshop. If mailing a check indicate on the registration form the workshop(s) for which you are registering.

Region: **MFA-Western**
Topic: **Understanding Landowner Liability for Recreational Activities on Your Property**
Location: Western Maryland Research & Education Center, 18330 Keedysville Road, Keedysville, MD 21756
Time: Tuesday, August 23, 7-9 p.m. Registration deadline Friday, August 19.
Cost: \$10 pre-registration to cover cost of printing resources, coffee, etc.
Speaker: Jonathan Kays, UME Natural Resource Specialist & George Timko DNR Wildlife Division Deer Biologist.
Details: This workshop will cover the basics of landowner liability for recreational activities that take place on private land such as hunting, fishing, ATV, etc.. It will also cover how to deal with trespass issues and setting up written leases for hunting for free or for a fee. The main resource for the program will be the publication, Landowner Liability & Recreational Access (EB357) found online at: <http://extension.umd.edu/publications/PDFs/EB357.pdf>.
Contact: Jonathan Kays, jkays@umd.edu. 301-432-2767 x323.

Region: **MFA-Central**
Topics: **Managing Invasive Plants on Your Property**
Location: University of Maryland Extension Baltimore County, 114 Shawan Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030
Time: Wednesday, August 31, 6:30 - 9 p.m. Registration Friday, August 26.
Cost: \$10 to cover the cost of materials and light refreshment
Speaker: Craig Highfield
Details: This workshop will introduce participants to the harmful effects invasive plants have on our woods and natural areas. We will also discuss various methods to avoid their introduction and spread on your property and management techniques to help control their proliferation.
Contact: Craig Highfield, chighfield@chesapeakebay.net 410-267-5723; or check <http://www.forestryforthebay.org/events.cfm>

Region: **MFA-Southern**
Topics: **Emerald Ash borer: What it means for woodland owners**
Location: St. Mary's County Library, Charlotte Hall Branch, 37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
Time: Tuesday, October 4, 7-9 p.m. Registration deadline September 30.
Cost: \$10

Speaker Nevin Dawson, Forest Stewardship Educator and Mike Raupp, Extension Entomology Specialist

Details: The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB), a shiny green beetle from Asia, is slowly removing ash trees from Maryland's landscape. This workshop will review the insect's physiology and the impact it has had so far, and then help you determine the steps that you can take to maximize the value of your forest—for profit, wildlife habitat, water quality, or other objectives—despite the threat of EAB.

Contact: Nevin Dawson, Forest Stewardship Educator ndawson@umd.edu, 410-827-8056.

Region: **MFA-Western**

Topic: **Medicinal Roots of Appalachia and Forest Management**

Location: Garrett Community College, 687 Mosser Road, McHenry, MD 21541.

Time: Tuesday, October 11, 7-9 p.m. Registration deadline: Friday, October 7.

Cost: \$10

Speaker Mimi Hernandez, Outreach Coordinator of the Appalachian Center for Ethnobotanical Studies & Jonathan Kays, Extension Specialist Natural Resources

Details: Discover the lore, tradition, and science behind Appalachia's most popular and native medicinal roots, from the economically exalted roots of the culture like Ginseng and Black Cohosh to the local secret favorites like Solomon's Seal and Stoneroot and many more! Come away with tidbits on Appalachian culture past, present, and future and its contribution to our herbal materia medica. Learn how management of your forest can help.

Mimi Hernandez, MS, RH(AHG) is an herbal educator and the Outreach Coordinator of the Appalachian Center for Ethnobotanical Studies at Frostburg State University. A member of the governing council of the American Herbalists Guild, Mimi is a graduate of the herbal medicine program at the Tai Sophia Institute. With roots in Asheville, NC, Mimi is a founder of the One World Healing Arts Institute. She also draws upon her rich ethnic background & the Granny healers in her life. Jonathan Kays is an extension forester with the University of Maryland Extension.

Contact: Jonathan Kays, jkays@umd.edu. 301-432-2767 x323.

Region: **MFA-Eastern**

Topics: Timber Tax Workshop

Location: Wye Research & Education Center, 124 Wye Narrows Drive, Queenstown, MD 21658

Time: Tuesday, January 17, 2012. 6:30 - 9 p.m. Registration deadline Friday, January 13

Cost: \$10

Speaker Bob Tjaden

Details: This program will focus on record keeping, how to handle cost share payments on practices such as reforestation, rental payments for federal programs such as CRP, how to report timber sales and capital gains and ways to treat casualty losses on your forest lands. Copies of the University of Maryland Extension's updated Forest Management Account Book will be available to all participants. Additional information will be presented on valuable web resources to assist you when doing your federal taxes. This program is guaranteed to save you money by properly reporting your timber sales and cost share payments on your federal and state income tax forms.

Contact: Registration, contact Bob Tjaden, rtjaden@umd.edu, 410-827-8056

Registration Form
Maryland Forests Association Workshop Series

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Workshop(s) I wish to attend (\$10 each):

___ Understanding Landowner Liability & Recreational Access – August 23

___ Managing Invasive Species on my Property – August 31

___ Emerald Ash Borer & Your Woodland – October 5

___ Medicinal Roots of Appalachia and Forest Management – October 11

___ Timber Taxes – January 17

\$10/person

Mail form and check made payable to Maryland Forests Association to:

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