

Dear Conference Participants,

On Behalf of Invasive Plant Control, Inc., I would like to welcome you to Nashville, TN for the Innovations in Invasive Species Conference being held at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel and Convention Center December 14th and 15th, 2022.

We have an exciting mix of professional and novice land managers in Nashville this week excited to hear about new innovations in the invasive species industry. Look around and you will find not for profit land managers, Department of Defense resource managers, NPS, USFS and DOE invasive species experts. We have state parks, garden club members, agricultural extension agents and academia with us plus representatives from many other organizations. We would like to thank all of the speakers, vendors and attendees for making the time and financial commitment to be here with us in Nashville. We urge you to visit with one another, make new contacts and ask questions this week. There are many experts here with hands on knowledge of techniques that might be the tool you are missing to control the invasive species on your property.

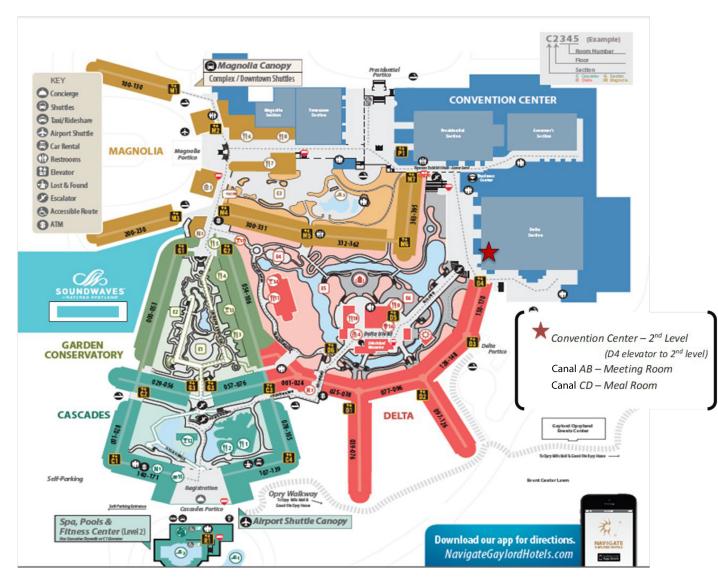
Please contact Steven Manning at 615-969-1309 or steve@ipc.us.com if you have any questions.

Again, on behalf of the host organizations, welcome to Nashville!

Sincerely,

Steven T Manning

Conference Coordinator President Invasive Plant Control, Inc.



Welcome to Gaylord Opryland!

Directions and Parking

Getting to Nashville and the Convention Center

The Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center is approximately 8.3 miles N of the Nashville airport. The hotel offers an airport shuttle service for a fee each way. Reservations should be made in advance.

Area Airports

- Nashville International Airport BNA
- Airport Phone: +1 615 275 1600

Shuttle Phone: +1 615 883 2211

Bus service, fee: 2 USD (one way)

Estimated taxi fare: 30 USD (one way)

Driving from the airport

Travel south on Terminal Drive toward BNA Arriving Flights. After 0.7 mile make a slight right followed by a slight left to stay on Terminal Drive. Travel 0.6 mile and take the ramp onto Interstate 40 West. Travel 1.2 miles to exit 215B and merge onto TN-155 North/Briley Parkway. Travel 4.3 miles to exit 11 for Opry Mills Drive. Continue straight ahead for 0.9 mile to Opryland Drive and turn right. Travel 0.4 mile and turn left to the hotel.

Paid Parking

If you will be driving and parking at the resort please be aware that the parking fees are as follows:

- On-site parking, fee: \$33 USD daily
- Valet parking, fee: \$45 USD daily
- Electric car charging stations: 4, Complimentary

Free Parking

There is free parking available at the Opry Mills Mall which is located next door to the resort. It is an easy 1/10th of a mile walk to the resort from the closest parking area to the hotel. We have provided a map on the following pages to guide you to this free parking. Please note that hotel security does not patrol this lot but it is heavily used by mall and hotel guests alike.



Free Parking is available in the Opry Mills Parking Lot. It is a shorter walk from this parking area to the convention center than many entryways at the Drive and go $ar{h}$ mile around the outskirts of the resort following the signs to Opry Mills and the ICE show which will take you to the OpryMills Parking resort. Take Briley Parkway (TN155) to the McGavock Pike Exit 12. Follow McGavock Pike as indicated on the map above. Turn left onto Opry Mills Lot. Turn left into the parking area and park in the area indicated on the map which is by the Gaylord Opryland Events Center. The pathway to meeting attachment shows you a step by step path to the Convention Center which is only 1/10th of a mile from the parking area.

General Information

Conference Location

The Innovations in Invasive Species Management Conference will be held at the Gaylord Opryland® Resort & Convention Center, the flagship of Gaylord Hotels®, in Nashville, Tennessee — just 10 minutes from Nashville International Airport. The resort is easily accessible to Music City's legendary attractions, including the Grand Ole Opry®, Ryman Auditorium®, Wildhorse Saloon® and the General Jackson® Showboat. The equipment demonstrations will be held at Nashville's Warner Parks. We will have two buses available to transport participants to and from the field day activities. Lunch will be provided. There will be two rooms utilized for the conference sessions. All are located in the Delta section of the conference center. Canal AB will be utilized for all presentations and Canal CD will be the location of all meals and snacks served during the conference.

Conference Registration

Registration will be located in Canal AB in the Delta Atrium from 7:00-8:00 am December 14th. Registration will also be available in Canal AB throughout the conference.

Resource Tables

Resource tables will be available at the rear of Canal AB. We encourage you to provide complimentary invasive species publications or other information for distribution on these tables.

Posters and Exhibits

Posters and Exhibits will be located outside of the Canal ballrooms

Field Day

We will have two Motor Coaches that will transport us directly to the Warner Parks the afternoon of the 15th for the equipment demos. The motor coaches will depart promptly after the last talk that day and return around 5:00 pm. It's not too late to add stations. If you have equipment you are interested in demonstrating, please contact Lee Patrick at <u>lee@ipc.us.com</u> or 615-812-5313 and he can get you set up for the demo.

Food and Beverages

Self Service Starbucks Coffee vending machines are available throughout the resort. Water will be available throughout the day. Lunch will be provided on December 14th and December 15th for all registered attendees. You will also find multiple options onsite for casual to fine dining on the proceeding page.

The lunch menus will be as follows

December 14th, 2022 Food and Drink

12:00 PM Lunch Buffet Canal CD

Caesar salad with House made Caesar dressing Potato salad with bacon Hamburgers with Buns Sliced cheese, lettuce, ketchup, mayo, mustard Hot dogs with buns Vegetarian Options Available Upon Request Fudge Brownies Unsweet Iced Tea, Freshly Brewed Coffee and Assorted Hot Tea

6:00 PM Reception Delta Pavilion

Vegetarian Spring Rolls (G) (VV) with Blue Ginger Sauce @ 9.00 Each Andouille Sausage Puff (D) (G) @ 9.00 Each

Sliders and Chips Station (G) All Sliders Served with House-Made Barbecue Chips (V) Angus Beef with Pimento Cheese Aioli (D), Bibb Lettuce and Tomato Mustard, Mayo, Ketchup, Sliced Tomato, Lettuce, Onion, Cheese Condiments Peach Barbecue with Pulled Chicken with Tennessee Chow Chow

BANQUET BEVERAGE Cash Bar

December 15th, 2022 Food and Drink

12:00 Lunch at Warner Parks Catered by Swett's and Hattie B's Fried Chicken Rotisserie Chicken Pork Chops Baked potato casserole MAC N Cheese Green Beans Corn Squash casserole Chocolate Cake Mixed Bread

5:00 PM Evening Reception Delta Pavilion

Jewel Tomato with Mozzarella Mousse (D) (G) (V) Basil Pesto (N), Melba Toast, Sea Salt Mini BLT on Brioche (G) Opryland Honey, Nueske's Bacon, Tomato, Beer-Mustard Aioli

Calzone Station (D) (G) Mushroom and Onion (V) Ricotta and Ham

BANQUET BEVERAGE Cash Bar

Restaurants & Lounges Located Within the Resort

Old Hickory Steakhouse

Inspired by President Andrew Jackson's nickname, our signature, this restaurant features 1855 Black Angus Beef seared to perfection, Artisan cheeses and an extensive wine list.

Ravello

Enjoy a dinner inspired by the Italian coastal town of Ravello. Sample selections from our antipasti bar and house-made pasta in a lush garden setting.

Cascades American Café

Starting with breakfast and moving into lunch and dinner, Cascades serves modern classics in a dramatic atrium setting.

Wasabi's

Try the freshest signature rolls and a variety of sake at our sushi bar inside Cascades American Café.

Solario Cantina

Enjoy the bold flavors of Mexico, signature margaritas and selections from our tequila bar in a vibrant patio atmosphere.

Findley's Irish Pub

Unwind at our antique wooden bar with a pint of craft beer and pub-style favorites.

Jack Daniel's

Experience the fine tradition of great Southern food, and sample "Tennessee Sippin' Whiskey" hand selected from the Distillery.

Fuse Sports Bar

Watch the game on one of 100+ HDTVs at this next generation sports bar, serving up tailgate-inspired favorites perfect for sharing.

Paisano's Pizzaria & Vino

Order a slice or a whole pie, plus salads and wine in a beautiful indoor courtyard.

Stax Burgers

Stack your toppings just the way you like at our burger bar.

Conservatory Café

Open all day, this marketplace offers grab-and-go breakfast items, sandwiches, salads, house-made pastries, beer and wine.

The Cocoa Bean

Our coffee house by the Cascades Lobby serves grab-and-go fare.

Delta Delight Frozen Yogurt

Pick your frozen yogurt and pile on the toppings to create a one-of-a-kind sweet treat.

Conservatory Wine Bar

Relax in sophisticated and chic surroundings with a diverse selection of wines.

The Falls

Our lobby lounge features small plates and hand-crafted cocktails in a breathtaking setting overlooking twin waterfalls.

The Library Lounge

Sip on aged bourbon or classic cocktails in our fireplace den inside Old Hickory Steakhouse.