

Horticulture and Natural Resources

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The Kansas Turf & Ornamentals Field Day program is designed for all segments of the turf & ornamentals industry — lawn care, athletic fields, golf courses, sod farms, landscape, nursery, and grounds maintenance. Included on the program are research presentations, problem diagnosis, commercial exhibits, and equipment displays. There will be time to see current research, talk to the experts, and get the answers to your questions.

We hope to see you on Thursday, August 1!

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Kansas Turf & Ornamentals Field Day

Thursday, August 1, 2024



Rocky Ford Turf Research Center (1700 Barnes Rd.) Manhattan, KS

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8:00 a.m. Registration (coffee, donuts) Visit Exhibitors 8:45 a.m. Welcome

9:00 a.m. TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Tall Fescue and Kentucky Bluegrass Sod Options Dr. Ross Braun & Emmanuel Nwachukwu Get an update on K-State research involving these two cool-season grasses that helps both Kansas/Missouri sod producers and also consumers like you by providing more tall fescue sod options in the future!
- Turf & Ornamental Disease Update —
 Dr. Megan Kennelly
 Come hear about ongoing turfgrass disease work and an update on 2024 hot topics and common problems in plant health
- Dr. Jack Fry & Olayemi Ojeokun

 Zoysiagrass rooting can have a big impact on performance, and you'll see how rooting has been evaluated in the greenhouse among 15 different cultivars. In addition, the influence of grow-in procedures at the sod producer can also impact rooting and zoysia performance. You'll see an area of three different zoysia cultivars that were sodded when different cultural practices were used during grow-in.
- Does Turfgrass Seed Coating Actually Help? —
 Dr. Ross Braun and Parul Mandal
 Learn more about the advantages and disadvantages of coated turfgrass seed and the latest K-State research.
- Minimum Water Requirements for New Kentucky
 Bluegrass Sod Dr. Cody Domenghini & Levi Dreiling
 Come hear about the minimal watering requirements
 of Kentucky bluegrass sod through extended drought.

- Turf & Ornamental Insect Update Dr. Raymond Cloyd
 Come hear an update on insect and mite pests of ornamentals and turfgrass, including new insecticides and miticides and the common insect and mite pests of 2024. There will be lots of "bug" samples for everyone to see! Be sure to bring your own "bug" samples if you have any.
- Ornamentals Research Update Dr. Cheryl Boyer, Julia Hammes, and Alex Stanton
 A trio of research projects are ready for reporting:
 1) evaluation of a rhizomatous tropical houseplant species from the genus Achimenes for use in outdoor landscape settings, 2) naturalistic landscape consumer perceptions, barriers to adoption, and opportunities for industry, and 3) understanding the use of Extension horticulture learning resources by industry professionals and consumers.
- ◆ Landscape Disease Highlights Judy O'Mara A look at diseases and other current problems in the landscape.

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Pesticide recertification credit hours for commercial pesticide applicators:

I hr in 3B and I hr in 3A AND .25 GCSAA education points

VENDORS

Exhibitors can set up the day before. Please contact Christy at (785) 532-6173 if you are interested.

Kansas Turf & Ornamentals Field Day Registration Form

Number of persons attending field day x \$35.00 per person (includes lunch)
Lunch Sponsor @ \$250 (includes registration)
Name(s) of individuals attending field day:
Company
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Please return by July 26 to:

KTF Field Day

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