About the workshop

The Earth-Kind® Landscape Short Course is a continuing education program designed for professionals responsible for managing and maintaining urban green space such as residential landscape, parks, commercial properties and golf courses. The course will also benefit municipalities, schools and city water utility personnel, particularly those interested in developing sustainable urban landscape conservation programs.

Over ten speakers from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension draw upon their expertise to address landscape industry issues, problems and opportunities in a well-balanced 5-day program.

Continuing Education

The 2012 course schedule has been approved by Texas Nursery and Landscape Association for continuing education units (CEUs) and submitted to the Texas Department of Agriculture for approval to have course participants earn CEUs toward recertification as a pesticide applicator. Categories and hours accepted for re-certification will be posted on the website when approved.

Tax Deduction

If courses are taken to maintain and improve professional skills, a tax deduction is allowed for educational expenses including registration fees, travel expenses, meals, and lodging. (See Treas. Reg. 1162-5 Couglin vs. Commissioner 203 F 2d 307).

For Further Details

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http://greenvision.wordpress.com/earth-kind-education-events/
Landscape topics

Earth-Kind Landscape Principals
Basics of Botany
Trees ID and use
Shrubs ID and use
Basics of Lawn care
Lawn problem diagnosis and control

Fire ants control in landscape & other ants
Perennials ID and use
Math used in landscape
Common weeds in landscape
Integrated weed management in Landscape
Annuals ID and use

Proper Pruning/Planting/transplanting
Proper Fertilization and mulching
Turf and Ornamental IPM
Landscape soil testing
Drip irrigation installation in the landscape
Rainwater harvesting

Common landscape disease symptoms
How to prevent and cure landscape diseases
Fruit tree (shrub) selection and care
Tools to stay competitive in tough economy
Don’t import this-----phytosanitation

Pesticide Safety
Law and regulation updates
Resources for Earth-Kind Landscape

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Lodging

There are many options for lodging in the Bryan/College Station area. Be aware that TAMU graduation will be Thursday December 13, 2012. So please make your hotel reservation early.

Use this form to register today!
Before November 23, 2012-- $575, which includes lunches, breaks and handouts. Single day: $135.

After November 23 , 2012-- $675. Single day: $150; Meals and handouts NOT guaranteed.

Please PRINT information below

Company Name: _______________________
Address: _____________________________
Phone: __________________ Fax: ___________
Email: ________________________________

Names of those attending:
1. ____________________________
2. ____________________________
3. ____________________________

A registration fee must be included with your registration before deadline. Make checks payable to: Texas A&M AgriLife Extension.

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