CERTIFICATION EXAM REVIEW CLASS

8:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
William Byrnes

8:10 a.m. Exam’s Overview, Role and Importance of Landscape Inspections and Preview Exercises
December Lauretano-Haines

8:40 a.m. Plant ID
Dr. Phil Busey

9:40 a.m. MORNING BREAK

9:50 a.m. Plant Biology, Common Pests and General Knowledge
Dr. Phil Busey

10:30 a.m. Tree Selection (Grading) plus Installation and Maintenance Best Practices (Indoor Session)
Dr. Michael Orfanedes

12:00 p.m. Lunch (provided)

12:30 p.m. Tree Selection (Grading) plus Installation and Maintenance Best Practices (Outdoor Session)
Dr. Michael Orfanedes

1:00 p.m. Plant Placement, Design and Irrigation
William Byrnes

1:20 p.m. Plan Review
December Lauretano-Haines

2:20 p.m. AFTERNOON BREAK

2:30 p.m. Tree Preservation: Ordinance Requirements and Considerations for Construction Sites
William Byrnes

2:50 p.m. Recognizing Hazardous Tree Conditions
William Byrnes

3:10 p.m. Soils, Fertilizers and Plant Nutrition
William Byrnes

3:25 p.m. The Nine Florida-Friendly Landscaping Principles
Dr. Michael Orfanedes

3:40 p.m. Recap and Review
Dr. Michael Orfanedes

4:00 p.m. ADJOURN

SPEAKER BIOS

DR. PHIL BUSEY is a Certified Crop Adviser and Certified Professional Agronomist involving monitoring, assessment, documentation, and recommendations for landscape and turf grass soil, nutrients, plant health, and water. He is the Director of Sports Turf Management and a member of the Town of Davie’s Agricultural and Environmental Committee. He is also the past chair of the Sierra Club Broward Group and the Town of Davie’s Planning and Zoning Board.

WILLIAM BYRNES is the Urban Forester for the City of Sunrise and has held the position since 2004. He has a BS in Agriculture from the University of Missouri. He was an adjunct professor at Broward College in the Biological Sciences Department. William is an ISA certified Arborist, a State Certified Pest Control Operator, a FDACS instructor for GI-BMP’s, and a Broward County instructor in the Tree Trimming Certification Program. William currently is the 2015–2017 President of the Landscape Inspectors Association of Florida (LIAF).

DECEMBER LAURETANO-HAINES is a Certified Arborist, Certified Landscape Inspector and Florida Green Industries Best Management Practices Instructor. December works for the City of Southwest Ranches as the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Coordinator. Her responsibilities include budgeting, events coordination, protection of natural resources, and management of the Town’s parks, facilities and lands.

DR. MICHAEL ORFANEDES is the Commercial Horticulture Agent for UF/IFAS Broward County Extension in Davie. Mike has a BS in Agronomy and an MS and PhD in Weed Science. He is responsible for coordinating educational outreach and CEU programs for Broward’s nursery, landscape and pest control industries. Mike is an ISA-certified Arborist. His program received the 2004 FUFC Outstanding Public Educational Program award.

Become a CERTIFIED Landscape Inspector with the Landscape Inspectors Association of Florida

The Landscape Inspectors Association of Florida is a state-wide organization whose goals are to provide training and certification to all those within the green industry. Earn this prestigious certification today!

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Meeting Room - West Building
Orange County Convention Center
9800 International Drive
Orlando, FL 32819

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* Pre-approval must be obtained from LIAF to participate in the certification exam review class and exam.*
Please see inside for further information.
Applications must be post marked no later than August 26, 2016. Complete the following application and return it with resume, three current professional references and payment to:

LIAF – Exam
4611 South University Drive, Suite 174
Davie, Florida 33328

Once the applicant has been approved, the study manual will be shipped to the address provided below by the applicant. The information you provide below is where all correspondence for the review and exam will be sent. Print clearly and provide complete information.

- Name:
- Mailing address:
- City, State, Zip Code:
- E-mail:
- Phone:

REGISTRATION

ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must have a college degree in a related landscape field with two years of practical landscape experience; or the applicant must have a minimum of five years of verifiable practical landscape experience in the landscape industry. Acceptable practical landscape experience includes: working in the landscape industry where knowledge and hands-on performance of landscape plan review, landscape installation, landscape maintenance, irrigation, plant identification, insect identification, grading of landscape material, and tree pruning, etc., are daily, hands-on tasks.

REQUIRED INFORMATION

The completed application, resume, three current professional references and payment are required upon submittal. This information is considered appropriate and verifiable proof of eligibility and will be strictly reviewed for completeness. The application will not be accepted without providing the above-stated proof of eligibility. Failure to provide specific application information may result in the rejection of the application.

2016 FEES SCHEDULE

LIAF Member $175.00 Non-Member $220.00 Fees include:
One study manual, one review day, one proctored exam. The non-member fee also includes LIAF membership for year 2016. Credit cards or purchase orders are not accepted. Check only. No refunds. Checks are to be made payable to: Landscape Inspectors Association of Florida.

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INQUIRIES

Contact the Exam Committee:
secretary@landscapeinspectors.org

CEU’S

FACE - 6.5
FNGLA - 4.0
ISA - Certified Arborist 6.25, Municipal Specialist 6.25, TW Climber Specialist 6.25, BCMA - Science 3.0, BCMA - Management 2.0, BCMA - Practice 1.25

In an industry where licensure is not required by law, certification is relevant and imperative. Certification as a Landscape Inspector demonstrates commitment to professional development. Earning this prestigious credential is proof of knowledge and professional training. To become Certified, applicants must meet eligibility criteria, pass a rigorous, comprehensive written exam, and are required to satisfy continuing education standards to maintain certification.

Pride in the distinction as Certified Landscape Inspector is merited. The examination, designed to evaluate applicants’ knowledge and training in five domains, isn’t easy! The rewards of certification include increased credibility, recognition, and the potential for higher earnings. Many agencies include Landscape Inspector Certification as a requirement for bidding on work.

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