

# Desert Green Conference Focusing on 'Sustainability in the Landscape'



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LAS VEGAS – The annual Desert Green conference here has initiated many changes for 2013. The dates are now Nov. 14-15 and the new venue is the spectacular Springs Preserve. A certified arborist exam preparation course with the exam scheduled for Nov. 16 is now offered.

"Sustainability in the Landscape" now features two days of five concurrent seminar tracks, table top displays and a green industry mixer. Keynote speaker Mary Irish is a prolific author on arid horticulture, and is known for her witty, engaging presentations.

An Advanced Arboriculture track is offered in addition to the certification course. The conference offers 14 CEUs for certified arborists.

Also new is the host hotel. Palace Station offers newly renovated luxury rooms for only \$31.99 for weeknights (\$62.99 for Friday). Attendees can reserve rooms today by calling toll free 800.634.3101 and asking for the Desert Green Foundation special rate (call-in code PCIDGF1) or entering the code when booking a room at [palacestation.com](http://palacestation.com). Rates are valid until Oct. 13 or until the hotel sells out.

The Desert Green Foundation is a 501©3 non-profit that includes members from these groups on its board. The Foundation is dedicated to education for the green industry.

In addition to the arboriculture tracks, there will be tracks on Pest Management (with pesticide CEUs for Nevada, California, Arizona and Utah) Landscape Architecture, Irrigation and Water Conservation and Golf and Sports Turf Management.

The conference also features table top displays offering the latest products and services. A green industry mixer with complimentary snacks and beverages

follows the conference on November 14, with a book signing by the authors speaking at the conference.

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