

# INVITATION

The B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Food together with the tree fruit and grape industries are pleased to invite you to the:

## Southern Interior Horticultural Show

February 16-17, 2024 | Penticton Trade and Convention Centre

The Southern Interior Horticultural Show is a newly delivered project that combines a two-day conference featuring a variety of horticultural topics and a trade show showcasing products and services that support the tree fruit and grape industries in B.C.

<b>Friday, February 16, 2024</b> Opening	<b>Opening Remarks: B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Food</b> <b>Keynote Speaker, Mo Dhaliwal, on Cultivating Strength: Growing Resilience through Community and Culture</b>		
<b>Friday, February 16, 2024</b> Morning	<b>Soil Health</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agri-Tech Weed Control (<i>Sarah Stewart, Organic B.C.</i>)</li> <li>• Soil Health Indicators &amp; Living Lab Project in B.C. (<i>Dr. Kirsten Hannam, AAFC</i>)</li> <li>• Prepping the Soil for Replanting &amp; Fumigation Alternatives (<i>Tianna Dupont, WSU</i>)</li> </ul>		
<b>Friday, February 16, 2024</b> Afternoon: Commodity Sessions	<b>Grapes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sap Flow Pruning (<i>Jacopo Miolo, Simonit &amp; Sirch</i>)</li> <li>• Managing Invasive Pests (<i>Lisa Scott, OASISS, &amp; Dr. Susanna Achaempong, AF</i>)</li> <li>• Powdery Mildew (<i>Dr. Jay Pscheidt, OSU</i>)</li> </ul>	<b>Apples</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rootstocks (<i>Dale Goldy, Gold Crown Nursery</i>)</li> <li>• Crop Load Management: Part 2 (<i>Dr. Terrence Robinson, MSU</i>)</li> <li>• More speakers TBD</li> </ul>	<b>Cherries</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Powdery Mildew (<i>Dr. Jay Pscheidt, OSU</i>)</li> <li>• Canopy Management for Healthy Buds (<i>Dr. Clive Kaiser, NZ</i>)</li> <li>• Crop Load Management (<i>Dr. Lynn Long, OSU</i>)</li> <li>• Connecting Lessons of the Day (<i>Grower Panel</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>Friday, February 16, 2024</b> Evening Social Event	<b>Tradeshow area open for social and networking event!</b>		
<b>Saturday, February 17, 2024</b> Morning: Commodity Sessions	<b>Grapes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soil Borne Pathogen Management (<i>Dr. José Ramón Urbez Torres, AAFC</i>)</li> <li>• Rootstocks and Climate Adaptation (<i>Bernadette Gagnier, WSU</i>)</li> <li>• Variety and Climate Research Update from Abroad (<i>Elizabeth Wolkovich, UBC</i>)</li> <li>• Economic Considerations with Replant (<i>Grower Panel</i>)</li> </ul>	<b>Apples</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water Stress Resilience Tools in Ambrosia (<i>Sebastian Damin, UBC Graduate Student</i>)</li> <li>• Apple IPM (<i>TBD</i>)</li> <li>• Weather Network Upgrades (<i>Lindsay King</i>)</li> <li>• Managing Invasive Pests (<i>Lisa Scott, OASISS, &amp; Dr. Susanna Achaempong, AF</i>)</li> <li>• Multi-leader Training Systems (<i>Dr. Stefano Musacchi, WSU</i>)</li> <li>• NC-140 Rootstock Trials for Peaches (<i>Dr. Hao Xu, AAFC</i>)</li> </ul>	<b>Cherries</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with Climate Extremes in Cherry Production (<i>Dr. Hao Xu, AAFC</i>)</li> <li>• Western X/LCD (<i>Dr. Tobin Northfield, WSU</i>)</li> <li>• GA Overview (<i>Dr. Matt Whiting, WSU</i>)</li> <li>• Managing Invasive Pests (<i>Lisa Scott, OASISS, &amp; Dr. Susanna Achaempong, AF</i>)</li> <li>• Cherry Variety Update from Summerland Breeding Program (<i>Dr. Amritpal Singh, AAFC</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>Saturday, February 17, 2024</b> Afternoon	<b>Water Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alpine Water and Water Basin Systems in a Changing Climate (<i>Dr. John Pomeroy, USask</i>)</li> <li>• Agricultural Adaptation to Drought and Climate: Lessons from California (<i>Dr. Tapan Pathak, UC Merced</i>)</li> <li>• Irrigation Innovations and Technology (<i>Bruce Naka and Grower Panel</i>)</li> </ul>		

**TICKETS: \$25**

+ Tax and Service Fees

Includes participation in the trade show and all conference sessions.

Attendance is offered in person only. Full program details to be posted soon.

Funding for the conference is provided in part by the governments of Canada and British Columbia through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a federal-provincial-territorial initiative.

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