

# 2024 Connecticut Land Conservation Conference – March 23

Curriculum Sneak Peek as of 2/5/2024 (Subject to Tweaking)

## **WORKSHOPS AND ROUNDTABLES**

#### LAND PROTECTION & CONSERVATION FUNDING

- Agricultural Conservation Funding Opportunities State and Federal Programs (75 minutes)
- Land Trust Law School (75 minutes)
- Protecting Drinking Water Sources: A GIS Tool to Rank Priority Areas in CT (75 minutes)
- Accessing Federal Funding through Collaboration (75 minutes)
- Lassoing the Transformative Power of Strategic Conservation Planning (75 minutes)
- Nuts and Bolts of Land Transactions (101 Series) (75 minutes)
- Advanced Topics in Land Conservation (75 minutes)
- State Land Acquisition Funding Source Lightning Round (75 minutes)
- Proposal Lab: NFWF Funding Opportunities for CT Land Trusts (75 minutes)
- Model Conservation Easement (45 minutes)
- Miyawaki Forests in Bridgeport: The First in Connecticut (45 minutes)

#### STEWARDSHIP - CLIMATE & NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS

- Tools for Protecting and Restoring Riparian Areas Rivers' Natural Protection (75 minutes)
- Climate Smart Forestry across Connecticut's Urban to Rural Landscape Gradient (75 minutes)
- Pollinators and their Neighborhoods (75 minutes)
- Implementing Climate-Smart Stewardship on Your Land (75 minutes)
- Protecting the Wildlife in your Woodlands (75 minutes)
- Controlling Beech Leaf Disease on Land Trust Properties: A Landscape-scale Effort to Protect and Preserve CT's Beeches (75 minutes)
- Improving Stewardship with Satellite and Aerial Technology: Explore the Alliance Toolkit (75 minutes)
- Agroforestry for Land Trusts and Landowners in Connecticut (45 minutes)
- The Land has a Story to Tell (45 minutes)
- Understanding Old-Growth Forest Characteristics (45 minutes)

#### **ACCESSING & ENGAGING WITH THE LAND**

- Property Features Mapping with the Avenza App (75 minutes)
- Forest Therapy to Promote Wellness and Build Community (75 minutes)
- Making the Most of Your Municipal & Land Trust Farmland with CT Farmlink (75 minutes)
- Black AF Farming: Sociocultural Perceptions of Black Farmers Navigating the Idealistic and Reality (75 minutes)
- From Tragedy to Triumph: Healing Ourselves, Our Soil, and Our Communities (75 minutes)
- New Parks in New England (75 minutes)
- CT Trailfinder (45 minutes)
- A Recreational Trails-Based Approach to Mapping and Managing Invasive Plants in Protected Areas (45 minutes)

### **COMMUNITY CONSERVATION & COMMUNICATIONS**

- Collaboration Not Competition: Community Land Trusts Can Help! (75 minutes)
- Outdoors for All: Equity and Access Advocacy (75 minutes)
- Opening the Open: Using the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Other Mandates to Create More Accessible Outdoor Experiences for People with Disabilities (75 minutes)
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- Using Print and Digital Media to Build Awareness and Connection to Your Land Trust (75 minutes)
- Affordable Housing & Conservation: Collaboration Benefits & Examples (75 minutes)
- Small Scale Native Plant Propagation: How Land Trusts can Start Growing Their Own Native Plants for Restoration and Community Engagement (45 minutes)
- The Power of Local Educational Partnerships to Enhance Bird Data on Land Trust Properties (45 minutes)

#### **POLICY**

- The Adverse Consequences of Light Pollution (75 minutes)
- Prioritizing Natural Climate Solutions in CT (75 minutes)
- State Plan Lightning Round (75 minutes)
- Connecticut General Assembly 2024 Update (75 minutes)
- Leading the Way, Environmental Activists Speak Out (75 minutes)
- Nature for Resilient CT (75 minutes)
- Envisioning a Flourishing Future: Introduction to Rights of Nature (45 minutes)
- Improving Access to the Outdoors with Sustainable CT (45 minutes)

## **ORGANIZATIONAL STRENGTH & FUNDRAISING**

- De-Mystifying the Capital Campaign (75 minutes)
- Strengthening Your Land Trust Board of Directors (75 minutes)
- Shifting Board Culture in Favor of Fundraising (75 minutes)
- Stewardship Tips and Trends from Terrafirma (75 minutes)
- Building Your Roadmap: Considerations for Strategic Planning (75 minutes)
- How to Raise More Money a 101 Approach (75 minutes)
- Building a Donor-Centric Major Giving Program (75 minutes)
- Succession Planning and Collaboration: You Don't Have To Go Alone (75 minutes)
- Grantwriting 101: Show Me the Green (45 minutes)
- Fundraising Q&A with David Allen (45 minutes)
- Organizational Checkup with Connie Manes (45 minutes)

... and more to come!

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