ILCA Committees - Get Involved -

ILCA committee involvement is the best way to augment your membership. Membership, in any organization, requires both give and take. By participating in a Committee you match your special interests and talents to an ILCA program or initiative.

Please consider participation on one of these Committees for 2022-2023.

Meetings typically run 2 hours and are held at ILCA Headquarters in Oak Brook.

All committee members must be members in good standing. The organization, not the individual is the member.

Awards

Goal: To offer an Awards Program that recognizes the skills and experience of landscape professionals. **Time Commitment:** 2-3 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at the annual Awards Banquet. **Chair:** Brian Jordison, James Martin Associates; Associate Chair: Becca LaBarre, EverGreen Landscape

Design (Must be a landscape designer or LA)

Goal: To offer a program that teaches landscape design to beginner and expert contractors from large and small firms.

Time Commitment: 7 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Design Committee events.

Chairs: Jason Lundberg, Chalet; Robert Milani, Bertog Landscape

Education

Goal: To offer opportunities to improve the skills and knowledge of members and their employees through timely and interesting programs. Develop the complete program for iLandscape's Educational Conference.

Time Commitment: 10 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at iLandscape

Chair: Mike Blackwell, Chalet

Experience

Goal: Oversee all aspects of iLandscape: The Illinois + Wisconsin Landscape Show not related to other committees. These include the overall flow and schedule, exhibit space, keynote speakers and plenary events, marketing and promotion, receptions and entertainment, press and media relations, aesthetics, and decor.

Time Commitment: 6 meetings per year, plus (1) Sub-Committee Chair meeting. Mandatory attendance at iLandscape (5 days, 4 nights).

Chair: Dave Warning, McKay Nursery Company; Mike Wesley, Illinois Landscape Supply

Future Landscape Industry Professionals (FLIP)

Goal: To provide information that inspires individuals to pursue professional careers within the landscape industry. **Time Commitment:** 8 meetings per year. Attends programs/networking opportunities that appeal to those new to the industry. Reviews scholarships annually.

Chair: Carrington Misener, Midwest Groundcovers

Golf Outing

Goal: To conduct social events for the membership that provide networking opportunities and non-dues income.

Time Commitment: 3 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at the Golf Outing.

Chair: Mike Sander, Bella Terra Outdoor Living

Irrigation

Goal: To promote professional irrigation best practices and regulatory compliance through education and resource development

Time Commitment: 8 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at iLandscape Irrigation Workshops

Chair: Alex Mayfield, JM Irrigation

Magazine

Goal: To educate and inform readers on current industry topics and present information on the Association's activities, goals, programs, and members.

Time Commitment: 2 meetings per year. **Chair:** Joe Scopelliti, Guy Scopelliti Co.

Membership

Goal: To ensure the strength and vitality of ILCA through coordinated membership recruitment and retention programs.

Time Commitment: 10 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at the Annual Party and iLandscape.

Chair: Aaron Zych, ILT Vignocchi, Inc.; Associate Chair: Billy Oliver, Night Light

Regulatory and Legislative

Goal: To review and analyze legislative and regulatory policy to determine its impact on the association, its members, and the green industry.

Time Commitment: 2 face-to-face meetings per year, 30 minute Monday morning conference calls for the duration of the legislative session.

Chair: Claire Storti, Scott Byron, Inc.

Snow

Goal: To plan and execute the biannual snow conference.

Time Commitment: 8 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Summer Snow Days (3 days).

Chairs: Paul Washburn, Yellowstone Landscape; Bob Bertog, Bertog Landscape

Summer Field Day

Goal: To provide an outdoor trade show for ILCA members and others in the landscape industry and to generate substantial revenues.

Time Commitment: 4 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Summer Field Day (3 days).

Chair: David Burton; Associate Chair: Jessica Riedell, The Riedell Group LLC

Sustainable and Ecological Landscape

Goal: To develop programs and initiatives that educate and inform the green industry on sustainable landscaping practices.

Time Commitment: 9 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Impact.

Chair: Brandon Losey, ILT Vignocchi; Associate Chair: Cris Poggi, Aspire Software Company

Technical Skills and Latino Relations

Goal: To offer programs that improve the education, skills, and experience of landscape professionals and improve the standards of the Latino and Americano landscape workforce.

Time Commitment: 6 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Field Staff Skills Training.

Chairs: Greg Roos, Bertog Landscape

Turf

Goal: To promote lawn care professionalism, best practices, and regulatory compliance through education and resource development.

Time Commitment: 9 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Turf Education Day (TED).

Chair: Shane Griffith, Weedman

Women's Networking Group

Goal: To promote camaraderie, and to share industry experiences and leadership skills with ILCA members, while enhancing professional image.

Time Commitment: 6-8 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Women's Networking Group events and iLandscape.

Chairs: Nicole Nault, LafargeHolcim; Associate Chair: Brenda Ward, Beary Landscaping

Young Professionals (Must be 35 or under)

Goal: To promote camaraderie, and to share industry experiences and leadership skills with ILCA members 35 and under, while enhancing professional image.

Time Commitment: 6-8 meetings per year. Mandatory attendance at Young Professionals' events. **Chair:** Dan Migacz, A.M. Woodland Outdoor Design; Associate Chair: Tim Sweeney, Mariani Landscape

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