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NEW ORLEANS

FEBRUARY 29 - MARCH 2, 2024



THURSDAY FEB 29TH 2024

MORNING

(TOUR TICKETS AVAILABLE UNDER 'GET TICKETS')

TOUR OF USM RAS OYSTER HATCHERY & LIVE ALGAE CULTURE
(9:00-10:15 AM, OCEAN SPRINGS, MS, PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED)

TOUR OF MICHAEL C. VOISIN OYSTER HATCHERY
(9:30-10:30 AM, GRAND ISLE, LA, PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED)

TOUR OF USM BROODSTOCK & NURSERY
(10:00 AM -NOON, OCEAN SPRINGS, MS, PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED)

TOUR OF MICHAEL C. VOISIN OYSTER HATCHERY
(11:00 AM -NOON, GRAND ISLE, LA, PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED)

AFTERNOON

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION OPEN AT THE CANOPY LOBBY
(1:00 - 5:00 PM)

OYSTER APPRECIATION & SENSORY WORKSHOP LED BY JULIE QIU (OYSTER MASTER GUILD) AT SIDECAR PATIO & OYSTER BAR, NEW ORLEANS (3:00 - 4:30 PM, SEPARATE TICKET PURCHASE REQUIRED)

EVENING

DIRECTOR'S WELCOME RECEPTION AT SIDECAR PATIO & OYSTER BAR (5:30-7:30 PM)

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MISSION: Connects communities and provides resources to support oyster farmers, cultivate thriving communities, promote healthy waters and celebrate good food in the southern United States.

VISION: To spotlight and expand the environmental and economic benefits of oyster farming in the South, which will increase sustainable seafood production, improve the health of our waters, increase the prosperity of our coastal communities and elevate appreciation for Southern farm-raised oysters

FRIDAY MARCH 1ST 2024

CONTEMPORARY ARTS CENTER

8:30-9:00 COFFEE, TEA

9:00-9:15 WELCOME, BETH WALTON

9:15-9:30 DEVELOPMENT OF A BREEDING PROGRAM FOR GULF OF MEXICO EASTERN OYSTER USING COMMUNAL REARING OF FAMILIES, HEATHER KING

9:30-9:45 EFFECTS OF WATER CHEMISTRY ON SURVIVAL AND GROWTH OF LARVAE IN CULTURE, JASMINE HALL

9:45-10:00 EVALUATION OF DIPLOID AND TRIPLOID OYSTER LINES ACROSS NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA FARMS IMPACTED BY SUMMER MORTALITY, TAL BEN-HORIN

10:00-10:30 BREAK (BEVERAGES AND SNACKS) WITH VIDEO CLIPS

10:30-11:15 ALTERNATIVE INCOME STREAMS FOR OYSTER FARMERS, A PANEL MODERATED BY LESLIE STURMER

11:15-11:30 SEABIRDS AND OFF-BOTTOM OYSTER AQUACULTURE, LUKE MATVEY

11:30-11:45 PERFORMANCE OF GULF OF MEXICO TETRAPLOID LINES IN DIFFERENT SALINITY ENVIRONMENTS, MEGHAN CAPPS

11:45-12:00 EFFECTS OF TEMPERATURE AND SALINITY STRESS ON DIPLOIDS AND TRIPLOIDS, JOSHUA KIM

12:00-1:00 LUNCH (PROVIDED ON-SITE)

1:00-1:45 UPDATES ON UNUSUAL OYSTER MORTALITIES, A PANEL MODERATED BY BILL WALTON

1:45-2:00 NEWEST DEVELOPMENTS WITH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY'S SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE WORK: SUPPORTING OYSTER AQUACULTURE AND RESTORATION (SOAR) AND THE SHELLFISH GROWERS CLIMATE COALITION, SALLY MCGEE

2:00-3:00 STORIES OF OYSTER SOUTH, MODERATED BY ERIN BYERS MURRAY AND JENNIFER KORNEGAY

3:00-5:00 TRADE SHOW AND HAPPY HOUR, PRESENTED BY FLIPFARM SYSTEMS LTD.

SATURDAY MARCH 2ND 2024

CONTEMPORARY ARTS CENTER 8:30-9:00 COFFEE, TEA

9:00-10:00 REFLECTING ON WHAT OYSTER SOUTH IS AND COULD BE, FACILITATED BY ANN WEAVER

10:00-10:30 BREAK (BEVERAGES AND SNACKS) WITH VIDEO CLIPS

10:30-11:15 WHAT CHEFS WANT, A PANEL MODERATED BY JULIA SULLIVAN

11:15-12:00 MAKING THE MOST OF SOCIAL MEDIA, A PANEL MODERATED BY ERIN BYERS MURRAY

12:00-1:30 LUNCH (1.5 HOURS, ON YOUR OWN)

1:30-2:15 THREE-MINUTE TECH TALKS, MODERATED BY ANDREA TARNECKI

2:15-2:30 PROTECTING YOUR INVESTMENT: FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE FOR FARMED OYSTERS, CHRIS RUTLAND

2:30-2:45 A CASE FOR OYSTER STEWARDSHIP, JULIE QIU

2:45-3:00 OYSTER SOUTH LOOKING FORWARD, BETH WALTON

3:00-5:00 TRADE SHOW AND HAPPY HOUR, PRESENTED BY BLUE OYSTER ENVIRONMENTAL & HOOPERS ISLAND OYSTER COMPANY

7:00-9:00 SHUCK AND TELL
(SOUTHERN MUSEUM OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE)

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