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University of Georgia, Tifton Campus, Tifton, GA

CEUs: GA and FL

Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025

Moderator: Ping Yu

**10:00AM-11:00AM: “Irrigation Management for Better Plants with Less Stress”**

Dr. Ping Yu is an assistant professor and extension specialist focuses on ornamental crop production at the University of Georgia. In this session, Dr. Ping Yu will share irrigation management to help grow better plants with less stress.

**11:00AM-12:00PM: “How to better prepare and recovery from hurricane damage: resources”**

Dr. Ping Yu is an assistant professor and extension specialist focuses on ornamental crop production at the University of Georgia. In this session, Dr. Ping Yu will share information and resources for grower to better prepare and recover from hurricane damages.

**12:00PM-1:00PM: Lunch Break**

**1:00PM-2:00PM: “Updates on Management of Pests in Ornamental Nurseries”**

Dr. Shimat Joseph is an Associate Professor at the Department of Entomology, University of Georgia. Dr. Joseph’s research addresses existing, emerging, and invasive pest management issues of turfgrass and ornamentals, along with the principles of applied insect ecology. His projects aim to enhance our understanding of the biology of the pest and beneficial species to develop and refine monitoring and management strategies. In this session, Dr. Shimat Joseph will share tactics on pest identification and management.

**2:00PM-3:00PM: “Integrated Pest Management for Ornamental Crops”**

Dr. Xavier Martini is an assistant professor at University of Florida, North Florida Research and education center in Quincy, FL in the department of Entomology. His programs focus on developing effective and bio-rational integrated pest management strategies to control the diseases they carry. In this session, Dr. Xavier Martini will talk about the IPM for ornamental crops.