



STS NEWSLETTER

A bimonthly publication of Street Tree Seminar
Your Los Angeles/Orange County Regional Forest Council

Celebrating STS 2022 Scholarship Awards and 2023 Officer Installation

Our 2022 Scholarship Awards and Officer Installation were held at Agriscapes at Cal Poly Pomona on December 16th. As always, it's a pleasure to be "on campus"

We had 2 recipients for 2022, Robyn Tom and Amy Garza. Both were excellent applicants.



Jennifer Hinostriza, advisor, Robyn Tom, Amy Garza, Alan Hudak, scholarship chair, and John Conway, committee

Robyn Tom is a student at Mt. San Antonio College with a course of study in Ornamental Horticulture. Robyn is an active volunteer in her community, and is very active in FoodEd, which constructs and sustains edible food sites.

Amy Garza is a student at Mt. San Antonio College and is working towards her Landscape Design II Certificate. She is currently interning with Fleur Nooyen & Associates, (Fleur is a previous STS scholarship awardee!) and plans to have a career in Landscape Design.



From L- Lucas Mitchell, Ernesto Macias, Rachel Malarich, Cristina Basurto, Mike Wallich, Rose Epperson NOT Pictured: Erik Diaz, Wister Dorta, Dawn Fluharty

We are proud to award both of these women and can't wait to see their growth in the future! Look for their essays in the next 2 issues. We were happy to see prior scholarship recipients join us for lunch. Seeing them grow is a such a delight .



From L- John Conway, Jennifer Hinostriza, Robyn Tom, Amy Garza, Cris Falco, Fleur Nooyen, Alan Hudak

After lunch, 2022 President, Lucas Mitchell, presented the board and admin team with handmade wood signs as a thank you for their support and service during the year. Executive Director, Rose Epperson, Installed the new board for 2023. Please join us in welcoming them:

- President – Rachel Malarich**
- Past President – Lucas Mitchell**
- Vice President – Erik Diaz (appointed by STS Board on 1/19/2023)**
- Treasurer – Ernesto Macias**
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- Director – Cristina Bustano**
- Director – Dawn Fluharty**
- Director – Mike Wallich**

We wrapped up the meeting with our traditional drawing - it was a great way to kick off the holidays. Some even did some holiday shopping at the Agriscapes Farm Store - always filled with great farm fresh produce and local artisan wares. Looking forward to returning to Agriscapes in 2023.

For more information on Agriscapes at Cal Poly Pomona, please visit: <https://www.cpp.edu/~agriscapes/>

Great Trees of the LA/OC - *Emina Darakjy* *Deodar Cedar/ Himalayan Cedar*

Cedrus deodara

Commonly known as Deodar Cedar

Family: Pinaceae

Origin: The Himalayas

The deodar cedar is a member of the Pinaceae family and is native to the Himalayas, thus its other name of "Himalayan cedar". In the ancient language of Sanskrit, the word deodar means "tree of the Gods"

This tree was first introduced to Europe in 1822 and to the United States in 1832. This is a large fast growing evergreen tree, reaching a height of 40 to 80 feet with a spread of 30 to 40 feet.

The tree trunk is very straight, the bark is dark gray turning scaly and deeply furrowed as the tree matures. The arching branches drooping all the way to the base of the trunk are covered with 1-2" bluish-green needles giving the tree a stately look. The crown of the tree is a pyramidal shape.

In the spring unnoticeable flowers appear followed in late summer by cones that grow upright on the branches and can take up to 3 years to mature before they open releasing winged seeds. The tree produces an aromatic oil that deters insects. In India the deodar cedar wood is revered for its durability and is used in different carpentry and woodworking projects as well as making incense.

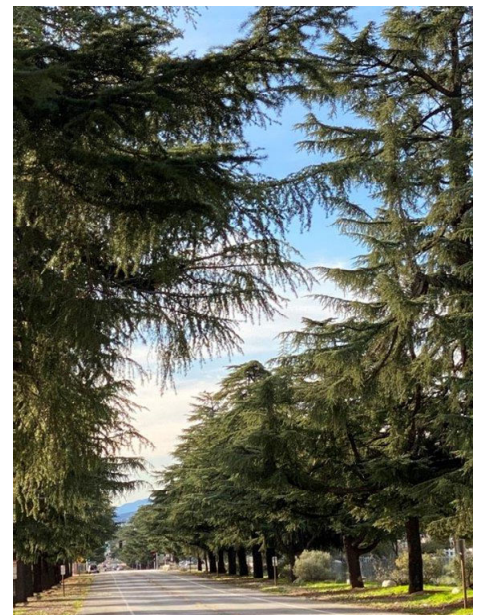
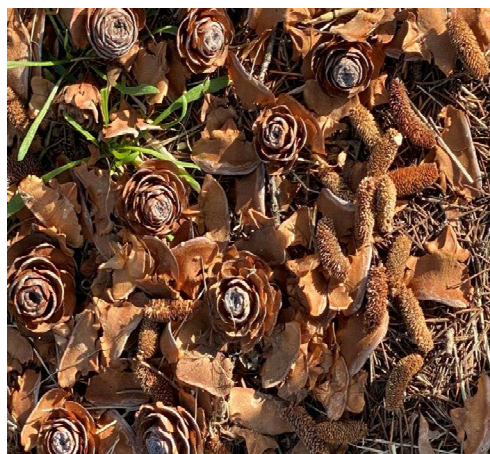
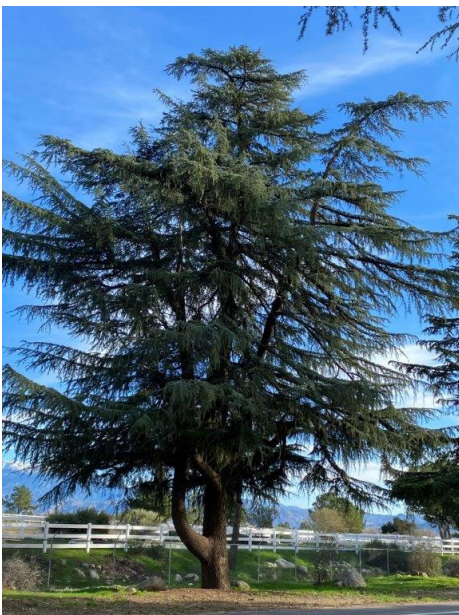
The deodar cedar grows easily in any type of soil with good drainage and is considered drought tolerant once established. It performs better in full sun to partial shade with ample room to grow and tolerates both the heat and the humidity.

This tree requires very low maintenance but benefits from an occasional structural pruning every now and then to remove any dead wood or crossing branches. Avoid excessive irrigation as this can cause root disease.

This tree makes a good landscaping specimen in a park, in ones' garden or as a street tree. When used as a street tree the lower branches are removed for pedestrian clearance.

Many neighborhoods tend to string thousands of colorful lights on these trees at Christmas time which draws many visitors to them. Two such neighborhoods that come to mind are "Christmas Tree Lane" in Altadena where these trees were planted in 1882 and on St. Albans Road in San Marino

However, for me one of the most beautiful double planting of deodar cedar trees remains the one on Beaumont Ave in Beaumont where for a mile and half you can find more than 115 of these majestic beauties gracing that Avenue. These trees were planted in 1930 and serve as a windbreak. Finding yourself driving through a tunnel with an overhang of drooping branches is a sight to behold.



To order a copy of the third edition of "Street Trees Recommended for Southern California", visit our website at www.streettreeseminar.com, or call Heather at 714.639.6516

MARCH 16, 2023

**LATEST TRENDS IN WATER MANAGEMENT AND
TREES- A PANEL DISCUSSION**



AGRI SCAPES
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Join us at ARGIScapes Cal Poly Pomona as we hold a panel discussion on water management in the urban forest. Interested in sitting on the panel? Contact

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***Please contact Heather in our office with any questions-
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**THURSDAY
March 16, 2023**

10:30 AM – 1:00 PM

**AGRIscapes
Cal Poly Pomona
4102 University Dr
Pomona, CA**

Cost:

**Members- \$25
Non-Members- \$30
1.5 CEUs available**

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Meeting Schedule 2023

- March 16** *Latest Trends in Water Management & Trees– A panel discussion
Cal Poly Agriscapes*
- May 18** *Urban Forest Research Update (TENT)
TBD*
- July TBD** *Summer WTMS*

Interested in hosting a program in your community? We are interested in hearing from you!
Contact heather@streettreeseinar.com

Industry Events

- March 7** *PTCA– The Future of our Urban Forest– Evening Meeting
Ptcaosd.wildapricot.org– Marie Callendars, La Mesa, CA*
- March 17** *Bilingual Climbing Skills Workshop
www.wcisa.net - Elysian Park, Los Angeles, CA*
- April 5** *Pruning Mitigation Strategies w. Lindsey Purcell
Www.wcisa.net—online meeting*
- April 25** *TRAQ RENEWAL Course
Www.wcisa.net– Sims Learning Center, Jurupa Valley, CA*
- April 26-28** *TRAQ Full Course
Www.wcisa.net– Sims Learning Center, Jurupa Valley, CA*



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“To provide a forum for professionals to share their experience, knowledge and expertise for the benefit of the membership and the enhancement of Southern California’s Urban Forest”.



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