## **Biological Control Conference for Ornamental Growers**

Event Date: Thursday, August 15, 2024

Hosted by: Leanne Pundt and Rosa Raudales, UConn Extension

**Target audience:** Commercial greenhouse and nursery growers producing ornamentals plants **Location and Parking Information:** Jones Auditorium, The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, 123 Huntington Street, New Haven, CT. The entrance to Jones Auditorium is at the north end of the building, on the side away from Huntington Street. In addition to the parking lots on campus, there is street parking on Huntington Street and East Rock Road.

**Registration:** \$50 per person. Registration includes a boxed lunch and five pesticide recertification credits for Connecticut and New England states for presentations marked with . Online registration at <u>Greenhouse Training Store</u>. Registration will end at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 8, 2024. The registration fee is refundable 48 hours before the event. Please note that we have a maximum capacity of 70 attendees. **Walk-in registrations are not an option**.

## Program

Time	Description	Speaker
9:00 - 9:15 AM	Coffee available	
9:15 - 10:15 AM	Fungal Bioinsecticides as Tools to Manage Insect & Mite Pests of Greenhouse Crops. Carlos will give an update on insecticide products containing entomopathogenic fungi, their strains, formulations, and their safe and effective use in greenhouses.	<b>Carlos Bogran, PhD.</b> Senior Technical Manager, OHP Inc.
10:15 - 10:30 AM	Break	
10:30 - 11:30 AM	What's the Latest in the World of Pest Management. Suzanne will present the latest on cutting-edge research, products, and techniques to elevate your pest management program.	Suzanne Wainwright-Evans Buglady Consulting
11:30-12:30PM	<b>Real World use of Beneficials.</b> Lindsay will discuss their bio-based IPM program sharing tips and techniques that have worked in their greenhouse propagation houses and hoop houses.	<b>Lindsay Curran</b> Prides Corner Farms
12:30 – 1:15 PM	Lunch	
1:15 – 2:15 PM	<b>Troubleshooting Your Biocontrol Program.</b> John will discuss some of the more common issues that can derail your biocontrol program and how to get back on track.	<b>John Sanderson, Ph.D.</b> Professor Emeritus Cornell University
2:15 -3:15 PM	Not all Thrips are Western Flower Thrips Relying solely on the assumption that all thrips are western flower thrips can lead to failures in your biological control program. In this talk, you will learn how to identify the most common thrips species, their biology and how to manage them.	Suzanne Wainwright-Evans Buglady Consulting
3:15- 3:30 PM	Discussion and Questions	

• Five pesticide recertification credits have been requested for this program.

If you have questions about registration or refunds, please contact Mayra Toro Herrera at <u>mayra.toroh@uconn.edu</u>

If you have any questions about the program, please email Leanne Pundt at leanne.pundt@uconn.edu.

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