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2025 PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

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PROGRAM AT A GLANCE - DAY 1

Monday, November 3, 2025

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Registration – Breakfast – Exhibit Hall – Student Poster Viewing		
9:30 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.	Welcome & Indigenous Opening Ceremony		
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Land 1A – Taylor	Water 1B – Sinatra/Hudson	People 1C – Monroe
	Growing Conservation Roots – Local Leadership in Land Stewardship [1] Jessica Abrahamse, Zachary George [2] Val Deziel [3] Lauren Moretto, Kate Goodale	Smart Waters – Innovation and Protection in Water Management [1] Dr. Amber Park [2] Behnam Doulatyari [3] Sepideh E. Tabrizi	Learning Together, Governing Together: Evolving Models for Watershed Education and Co-Governance [1] Charlene Winger-Jones, Victoria Serda, Tasha Gunasinghe, Doran Ritchie [2] Karlee Flear, Fiona Navickas
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Latornell Leadership Awards Luncheon		
1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Land 2A – Sinatra/Hudson	Water 2B – Taylor	People 2C – Monroe
	Mapping Change – Innovations in Land Monitoring and Biodiversity [1] Anibal H. Castillo [2] Matthew Bolding [3] Kristen Harrison, Benjamin Meinen	Lake-Wide Action, Local Innovation: Collaborative Pathways for a Healthier Lake Erie, Lake Simcoe, and Western Lake Ontario [1] Harry Keess [2] Kelly-Anne Fagan [3] Sharon Lam, Jenny Hill, Namrata Shrestha	Coastal Connections – Building Resilience Through People and Place [1] Stephanie Otto [2] Mujtaba Ali, Phillippe Murphy-Rheume, Bonnie Fox
3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Wellness Break – Refreshments – Networking with Exhibitors – Student Poster Viewing		
3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Land 3A – Taylor	Water 3B – Sinatra/Hudson	People 3C – Monroe
	Monitoring for Meaning – Long-Term Data and Ecological Insights [1] Dorian Pomezanski [2] Jessica Fang [3] Angela Wallace	30 Years of Aquatic Restoration – Reflections and Future Directions [1] Ralph Toner [2] Doug Forder	Cultivating Conservation – Farmers as Stewards of Biodiversity [1] Jennifer Kyle (Moderator), Sandra Vos, Carolyn Callaghan, Andrew Campomizzi [2] Thorsten Arnold, Ali English
5:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Event with Exhibitors • Student Poster Competition & Voting • Exhibit: Mountsberg Raptor Centre • Exhibit: Great Lakes Fishery Commission X Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (Sea Lamprey Monitoring) 		



PROGRAM AT A GLANCE - DAY 2

Tuesday, November 4, 2025

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Registration – Breakfast – Exhibit Hall – Student Poster Viewing		
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Land 4A – Monroe	Water 4B – Sinatra/Hudson	People 4C – Taylor
	Restoration in Action – Tools and Strategies for Resilient Landscapes [1] Joe Gabriel, Sherwin Watson-Leung [2] Jonathan Ruppert [3] Andrew Chin	Climate-Ready Watersheds – Planning Tools for a Changing Future [1] Shelley Hazen, Bailey Cole [2] Sarah Kirilenko, Kaitlyn Read [3] Mystaya Touw	Ethical Space and Equity in Conservation [1] Dustin Brown, Samantha Whiteye [2] Daniel Abigail Marilyn Layden [3] Kelley Amanda Prendergast
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Wellness Break – Refreshments – Networking with Exhibitors – Student Poster Viewing		
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Land 5A – Taylor	Water 5B – Sinatra/Hudson	People 5C – Monroe
	Building Healthy Landscapes: Reforestation, Biodiversity, and Invasive Species Solutions [1] Patrick Wong [2] Kasia Zgurzynski [3] Kyle Borrowman	Fields of Change – Agricultural Innovation for Water and Soil Health [1] Melisa Luymes, Chris Van Esbroeck, Sid Vander Veen, Jeff Dickson [2] Kokulan Vivekananthan	Strengthening Conservation Through Innovation, Inclusion, and Collaboration [1] Songrui Li [2] Nyssa Hardie [3] Wyatt Weatherson [4] Dominique Rumball [5] Stacey Cherwaty-Pergentile [6] Ali English
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	PANEL DISCUSSION LUNCHEON: Building on Legacy – How Conservation’s Past Informs Its Future		
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Land 6A – Taylor	Water 6B – Sinatra/Hudson	People 6C – Monroe
	Restoring What Was Lost – Tools and Stories of Ecological Renewal [1] Roxana Khoshravesh [2] Mark Stabb, Gillian di Petta [3] Josh Brooks, Scott Sampson	Planning for Resilience – Integrating Watersheds, Wetlands, and Infrastructure [1] Melanie Randolph [2] Ron Scheckenberger, Ray Tufgar [3] Michael Dakin, Kim Stephens, Scott Robertson	Innovation in Practice – Modernizing Conservation Authority Operations [1] Jonathan Scott [2] Sarah Rabideau [3] Mark McKnight, Nicole Moxley
3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Wellness Break – Refreshments – Networking with Exhibitors – Student Poster Viewing		
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Land 7A – Sinatra/Hudson	Water 7B – Taylor	People 7C – Monroe
	Designing with Nature – Creating and Evaluating Habitat Solutions [1] Todd Smith [2] Nyssa Hardie, Trevor Frasier, Stephen Van Drunen, Jason Elliott	Engineering Resilience – Innovations in Stormwater and Forecasting [1] Andre Erler [2] Michelle Letourneau [3] Melanie Blackburn, Aidan Haskell	Community-Driven Conservation – Local Action, Lasting Impact [1] Jonathan Scott [2] Melissa Williams, Patricia Lewis, Patricia Lowe