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PRESENTATIONS & TRAINING TOPICS

Scott D. Baker is a practiced public speaker. His broad knowledge and ability to engage an audience is widely acknowledged. Scott's presentations cover a variety of cutting-edge subjects relating to trees and urban ecology. Scott offers the prepared talks listed below. He is also happy to consider a variety of discussion topics as requested to suit your event. Most talks can be adjusted to suit time limits as necessary.

Seeing the Forest and the Trees

Scott discusses applying multi-disciplinary knowledge to tree management in urban settings. Includes an introduction to reading blueprints and insight as to how an arborist can integrate with a construction project team. 2 hours.

Growing A Greener City

A college-level talk on multi-disciplinary issues of tree management in urban settings. Discusses the benefits of urban forests, issues of building infrastructure, political issues, and new technologies for growing urban trees. 1 hour.

The Tree as an Active Biologic Structure.

This talk presents new knowledge in the field of arboriculture including the work of Dr. Claus Mattheck, Dr. Tom Smiley, Dr. Kim Coder and other tree researchers. The presentation can be structured for plant professionals or the public. 45 minutes up to half day.

Tree Basics

An introduction to tree biology using Dr. Alex Shigo's book "Tree Basics" as a model for discussion. This talk can be tailored for a variety of audiences. 1, 2, 3 or, 4 hours.

Tree Anatomy Below Ground

Scott uses slides and information provided by Shigo and Trees Associates for this tree biology talk. This talk can be tailored for basic or advanced audience. 2 hours.

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Construction with Trees In Mind

Practical techniques for successful tree retention on construction and development sites are covered. Scott uses case studies for examples. A field session on a planned construction site can be included. Half or full day.

Training: Techniques for Diagnosing Structural Problems in Trees

Talk covers basic tree structural anatomy, visual assessment, diagnostic tools, and methods for reporting results. 2-4 hours in length.

Tree Diagnostic Tools and Techniques Workshop

This workshop presents a logical progression for evaluating trees. Internal decay diagnostic methods are covered. The presentation includes field demonstrations in the afternoon using live trees or dissected samples. Full day.

Advanced Diagnostics in Hazard Tree Assessment

This class presents tools and techniques for analysis of tree structure for experienced arborists involved in assessing the potential risk from trees. An outdoor component for this talk is optional but recommended. Half or full day.

