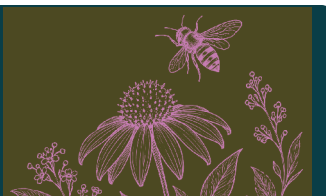


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TIME	SESSION	ROOM/TYPE
8:00 - 9:30 AM	At the Door Registration Opens	LOBBY
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Honey & Wax Show — Entries Accepted	DESIGNATED ROOM
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Silent Auction Items Accepted	LOBBY
9:30 - 10:00 AM	Welcome, Opening Remarks, & Announcements <i>Curtis Waites, MBA President</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
10:00 - 10:30 AM	Latest Research on Miticides and Amitraz Resistance <i>Dr. Frank Rinkevich, Keynote Speaker</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
10:00 - 10:30 AM	Essentials: I Want to Keep Bees, What Do I Need To Buy? <i>Increase Zimmerman: 2026 MBA Young Beekeeper of the Year</i>	Breakout Session
10:30 - 11:00 AM	Common Scents: Honey Bee Pheromone Communication <i>Dr. Jon Zawislak</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
11:00 - 11:30 AM	Research Update from MSU Harris Lab <i>Dr. Jeff Harris</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
11:00 - 11:30 AM	Things I Wish I Knew: Practical Advice for Young and Beginning Beekeepers <i>Curtis Waites, MBA President</i>	Breakout Session
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Quantifying Infectious Honey Bee Viruses Using Honey Bee Cells <i>Dr. Michael Goblirsch</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session

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TIME	SESSION	ROOM/TYPE
12:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch <i>Provided with convention registration</i>	
1:30 - 2:30 PM	American Bee Federation (ABF) and American Honey Producers Association (AHPA) Reports: Protecting Our Beekeepers and Our Products <i>Mr. Richard Coy, MBA Vice-President & Mr. Steven Coy, Past MBA President</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
1:30 - 2:00 PM	Regional Representative Election (Southern) <i>Curtis Waites, Denise Sanders & Brian Smith</i>	Breakout Session
2:00 - 2:30 PM	Langstroth Long Hive: Less Bending While Beekeeping <i>Mr. Joey Rawls</i>	Breakout Session
3:00 - 3:30 PM	BREAK - Visit Vendors!	LOBBY
3:30 - 4:00 PM	Longitudinal Surveillance: Predicting and Preventing Honey Bee Losses <i>Dr. Garrett Slater</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
3:30 - 4:00 PM	Installing and Growing a Nuc <i>Dr. Jeff Harris</i>	Breakout Session
4:00 - 4:30 PM	Semiochemical-Based Management of Small Hive Beetles: New Tools For Health <i>Dr. Bashiru Adams</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
4:00 - 4:30 PM	Magnolia Bee Exchange Update <i>Elizabeth McCaffrey</i>	Breakout Session
4:30 - 5:00 PM	Door Prizes & Announcements, Visit Vendors!	MAIN ROOM
6:00 PM	2026 Awards Banquet & Entertainment <i>(Ticket Purchase Required)</i>	MAIN ROOM

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8:00 - 9:00 AM	At the Door Registration Opens Honey & Wax Show Entries <i>Must be submitted by 8:30am</i>	LOBBY
9:00 AM	Honey & Wax Show Judging Begins <i>Dr. Jeff Harris</i>	DESIGNATED ROOM
9:00 - 9:30 AM	Performance of Varroa Resistant Stock <i>Dr. Frank Rinkevich, Keynote Speaker</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
9:30 - 10:30 AM	Door Prizes and MBA Business Meeting <i>(MBA Members)</i>	MAIN ROOM
10:30 - 11:00 AM	BREAK - Visit Vendors!	LOBBY
11:00 - 11:30 AM	Mysteries and Management of Laying Workers <i>Dr. John Zawislak</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
11:00 - 11:30 AM	Honey & Wax: Learning How to Be Competitive <i>Mr. Harry Fulton</i>	Breakout Session
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Honey Testing: Measuring Quality, Composition and Authenticity <i>Dr. Garrett Slater</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Grafting Queens: Setting Up and Preparing Your Starters and Finishers <i>Mr. Kip Isonhood</i>	Breakout Session

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TIME	SESSION	ROOM/TYPE
12:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch <i>Provided with convention registration</i>	
1:30 - 2:00 PM	Better Communication, Better Bee Protection: Practical Steps for Beekeepers <i>Dr. George Awuni</i>	MAIN ROOM General Session
1:30 - 2:00 PM	Grafting Queens: Selecting, Grafting, & Timing For Success <i>Mr. Johnny Thompson</i>	Breakout Session
2:30 - 3:00 PM	BREAK - Visit Vendors!	LOBBY
3:00 - 3:30 PM	MBA Annual Business Meeting	MAIN ROOM General Session
3:30 - 4:00 PM	Silent Auction Winners Grand Prize Winners Honey & Wax Show Winners	MAIN ROOM
4:00 PM	Final Announcements and Adjournment	MAIN ROOM