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Colorado Nursery and Greenhouse Association

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#### JOBS and FOR SALE

Curator, Horticulturists, Growers, Instructors, Perennial Supervisors and 4.5" Pots  
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### New Member Welcome

Jennifer Tuhalski  
Boulder, Colorado

### Resources

- > [Poinsettia Control Video Series](#)
- > [The Bio-Control Handbook](#)
- > [Bio-Control: GH Pests and Their Natural Enemies](#)
- > [Curbside Pick-up Is a Must Have for Retailers](#)
- > [How Top Growers Are Dealing w/Supply Chains](#)

Three Positions Open for Noxious Weed Committee  
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February 1-4, 2022  
Denver, Colorado

The ProGreen educational program is now [online](#) and searchable by author, session and topics.

#### Program Highlights:

- > Climate Change & Future of Water for Horticulture
- > An Introduction to Beneficial Insects
- > Selecting the Right Growing Media
- > What's Driving the Houseplant Craze
- > Stephanie's Picks for Colorado Perennials
- > A Practical Guide for Plant Growth Regulators
- > Creating a Modern Workforce

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**Group Discounts Available**  
**Early Bird Deadline is Dec 17.**

### Introducing Pioneer Exclusive Artificial Turf!

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### Plant Ahead Promotes Careers to Students

Three of CNGA's Young Hort Professionals spent Monday speaking to students at Greeley West High School as part of the Plant Ahead career outreach program. Nicolette Malfitano (Botany Lane Greenhouse) and Jason Shimmel (Arbor Valley Nursery), pictured, along with Mike Schleinig (Arbor Valley Nursery) shared their career stories with more than 100 horticulture students to enlighten students about the many different pathways and opportunities in the field of horticulture.



Emily Fickbohm from the Colorado Community College System also attended and is assisting CNGA in helping students discover and pursue horticulture careers. Interested in learning more? [Click here](#) and plan to attend upcoming YHP Happy Hours in December and February - details to come.

### HLR Shines with A+ Speakers and Education

***"This year's retreat was a great learning time - I connected with industry leaders and got inspired for the next season!"***

Colorado's horticulture leaders came together for learning and fellowship at the Horticulture Leadership Retreat on November 5/6 at the Park Hyatt in Beaver Creek. Attendees heard an update on Japanese Beetle and Spotted Lanternfly from Rich Guggenheim of the Colorado Dept. of Agriculture, and an update on the federal legislative situation from AmericanHort's Craig Regelbrugge. The group also participated in a planning exercise, giving member input on the direction of CNGA for the coming years. Kala Jenkins of KCoe Isom gave a very up-to-date presentation on tax changes, letting everyone know what had happened just the evening before as the infrastructure bill was passed. And headliner Charlie Hall didn't disappoint – with a reminder to focus on the overlap of "things you can control" and "things that matter," and encouraging the industry to "SHOUT plant benefits and sustainability initiatives that resonate. Focus on the experience, convenience, and other elements of your value proposition." Dr. Hall's presentation is available for you to review, just email [gmostek@coloradonga.org](mailto:gmostek@coloradonga.org). See Dr. Hall's [latest article](#) on supply chain and inflation issues.



***A simple way to fight climate change.***

### **Grants for Electric Tractors Available**

The Colorado Dept. of Agriculture & the Colorado Clean Diesel Program will co-host a free grant webinar tomorrow (Thurs.) from 10 -11 am for anyone interested in learning more about electric tractor use. Representatives from Solectrac and Monarch will present information and facilitate a Q&A session for interested producers. Their tractors are designed to serve the needs of small farming and livestock operations, vineyards, municipalities and golf courses. While the upfront cost of electric vehicles might seem prohibitive, the the **Colorado Clean Diesel Program** will reimburse up to **45%** of the cost of replacing a diesel tractor with an electric one. To sign up for the webinar, please [click here](#).

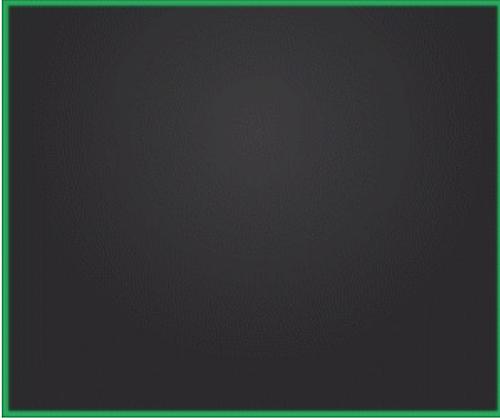


## **Who's the Member?**



In the past 63 years, organizations throughout Colorado have received grants from this member totaling more than \$10 million. Grant funds are awarded for tree and plant material purchases, school landscape improvements, healing and community gardens, and educational and research programs with organizations throughout Colorado, while scholarships fund college students that are studying horticultural science and business, nursery management, turf grass management, landscape design or landscape management. [Meet a fellow CNGA member.](#)

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