

2025 NYS Invasive Species Expo
 September 14-16, 2025
 Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866



ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDANCE:

Abstracts submissions will be reviewed by the 2025 Expo Content Committee based on the content and quality of the abstract. In particular, the Content Committee is seeking content presenting novel information or ideas with compelling practical applications for invasive species management and monitoring, or hands-on educational opportunities for attendees.

- Abstracts should be written in clear language, free of typographical errors.
- Abstracts should convey how the content relates to invasive species management in New York State or the broader region. This can be a direct connection, or a more general educational value to managers dealing with invasive species and related issues.
- The content described in the abstract should be suitable to one of the categories that will be offered at the conference (see below). Abstract submitters unsure of how their content would best fit can select “Other” and the Content Committee will work with you to figure out the appropriate place for your content.

Content Categories	Days where this category may be offered			Description
	9/14 *	9/15 **	9/16 **	
Presentation		✓	✓	Traditional oral presentations (typically but not necessarily accompanied by a slide deck) to an audience with a Q&A period at the end.
Poster		✓		There will be an evening poster session where presenters will stand by their posters and attendees will walk through and discuss with the poster presenters. Posters are typically 36”x48” and depict the background, methods, and results related to completed, ongoing, or proposed scientific research.
Workshop		✓	✓	Workshops should have a hands-on, collaborative, or group discussion component for participants.
Demonstration (“Demo”)	✓	✓		The presenter will demonstrate an action or technique related to invasive species management as a way to engage and educate onlookers (e.g. a demonstration on how to properly clean, drain, and dry a watercraft).
Field Trip	✓	✓	✓	The presenter will lead a group of participants on a trip to an offsite location in the Saratoga area and provide commentary or education to the participants.
Walk & Talk	✓	✓	✓	The presenter will lead a group of participants on a walk through the grounds of the Spa State Park (e.g. one of the nature trails) and provide commentary or education to participants (e.g. how to identify plants that the group comes across).

***Sunday, September 14:** Community Conservation Day

Public-facing event at the Farmers Market featuring educational table exhibits, demonstrations, and walk & talks.

****Monday, September 15 - Tuesday September 16:** Professional Conference

One and a half of content for invasive species professionals and community members, featuring traditional presentations along with engaging workshops, field demos, walks, and a poster session.