Press Release

Florida State Horticultural Society
The 129th Annual Meeting in Stuart, Florida

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STUART, Fla—The Florida State Horticultural Society will hold its 129th annual meeting on June 12 through June 14, 2016, at the Hutchinson Island Marriott Beach Resort & Marina located at 555 NE Ocean Blvd in Stuart, Florida.

With over 100 technical presentations and special sessions with invited speakers, there will also be a welcome reception, extension luncheon, horticultural crops breakfast, and more to network with friends and colleagues. Both members and nonmembers of FSHS may attend. Industry members, growers, and students are especially welcome. Scholarships for students to attend are also available. The Annual Meeting features seminars in applied research on citrus, horticultural and agronomic crops and products. New developments and practices by growers, processors, allied industries, and others in Florida will be highlighted. Programs from the sections will include presentations about:

- **Citrus Section**: Foliar nutrition, new varieties, Satsuma production, artificial intelligence, rootstock tolerance to HLB, fertigation, early-season copper sprays, citrus canker, citrus greening, and more;
- **Handling and Processing Section**: Packaging, storage, grapefruit preservation, sugar analysis, sensory evaluation, strawberry cultivars, new technologies, and more;
- **Garden and Landscape Section**: Home horticultural practices, development and use of best management practices, characteristics of different plants, landscapes, pests, and more;
- **Krome Section**: Avocados, mangoes, Mangifera, ground covers, papayas, edible garden programs, and more;
- **Vegetable Section**: Field research, kale, smart phone irrigation, oxygen fertilizer, plasticulture, bees, strawberry planting dates, soil moisture, and more;
- **Natural Resources Section**: Environmental education, farm to school programs, invasive species, water quality, extension outreach, and more.

On June 13 and 14, the University of Florida/IFAS County Extension faculty will be offering an in-service training program in “Promoting Specialty Crops as Local”.

Information about the Florida State Horticultural Society, including meeting details, online registration, and FSHS membership dues payment, please visit [fshs.org](http://fshs.org). Should you require special assistance, please contact Mercy Olmstead at mercy1@ufl.edu or (352) 273-4772.

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