

CFP for 2027 AAG

Trees in the City: Socio-Ecological Dynamics in the Urban Forest (Virtual and In-person)

Rough draft of abstract is due Oct 8, 2026 via email to organizers. We anticipate organizing one or more in-person and virtual sessions, and plan to broadcast all sessions online. Past recordings are posted at <https://treesinthecity.usf.edu/>

2027 AAG Annual Meeting in NYC (Feb 8 through Feb 12, 2027)

<https://www.aag.org/events/aag2027/>

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Urban forests are integral components of the urban social and ecological systems of the city. Moreover, trees are often framed as the solution or a mitigation strategy to address a laundry list of problems facing cities. Justifications for urban forestry investments have included concepts such as the potential of increasing ecosystem services, using trees as green infrastructure to reduce the demand for gray infrastructure, mitigating and adapting to climate change, and/or addressing existing uneven access to a natural amenity. The presence and condition of urban trees is determined by a complex set of factors, many of which result from socio-ecological conditions and policy driven decisions at multiple spatial scales. Given the recent re-investment in urban forests occurring in many North American cities, monitoring and management of trees and green spaces has become an important object for government policy, business strategy and academic research.

AAG 2027 will feature several Trees in the City sessions. For these sessions, we are particularly looking for presentations that:

- Utilize geospatial methods to measure or monitor the urban forest
- Examine socio-ecological interactions in the urban forest
- Explore urban forestry policy and program impacts

If you would like to participate in the paper sessions at the 2027 AAG, please follow these instructions:

(1) Submit your (draft) abstract and your preference for an in-person or virtual presentation to us (tenley.conway@utoronto.ca and landry@usf.edu) by Oct 8, 2026

(2) We will notify you if your paper is selected for the Trees in the City sessions by Oct 12, 2026;

(3) You must then register and submit your official abstract to AAG prior to the October 15, 2026 deadline (<https://www.aag.org/events/aag2027/>) AND send us your Abstract Code listed in your submission confirmation email.

We will be organizing a field trip with urban forestry folks in NYC. The field trip will likely be held on the first day of the conference.

Please send all email correspondence to both tenley.conway@utoronto.ca and landry@usf.edu.

Interested in watching past Trees in the City presentations? Check out <https://treesinthecity.usf.edu/>