

Speakers



Ken Palmer, President & CEO, ArborMaster®, Inc., and President & CEO, International Champion Techniques, Inc.

Ken has over 30-years experience in the tree care industry and is the only American to win the ISA's International Tree Climbing Championships (3) times. As an instructor for ArborMaster Ken has produced volumes of educational materials including videos, workbooks and articles. Ken is known as a workplace learning and performance professional, a safe work practice researcher, and innovator contributing to the development of equipment, tree climbing best work practices, chain saw safety & handling methods, rigging methods, and arborist emergency response. Ken also serves as the immediate past chairman and co-founder of the ISA's International Safety Committee, a voting Member ANSI Z133 Approved Standards Committee, immediate past Chairman of the ISA's International Tree Climbing Championships, and is the current chairman of the Arborist Safety and Techniques Fund.



Rip Tompkins, ArborMaster, Inc.

Rip Tompkins is currently the vice president of ArborMaster, Inc. He has an extensive background and experience as an instructor in North America and abroad. He is a lead safety instructor and is responsible for program and trainer development.

Rip is the vice president of International Champion Techniques, Inc, a company devoted to the development of tree climbing safety equipment. Rip Tompkins holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Colorado and is a Massachusetts Certified Arborist, an ISA Certified Arborist, and has over 20 years of experience in the tree care industry as a crew leader, foreman, and climber. Additionally he serves on industry committees including the International Tree Climbing Competition (ITCC) Chairman, the ISA International Safety Committee.

7th Annual Rochester Arborist Workshop

Friday, February 20, 2009

Featuring Ken Palmer and Rip Tompkins

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Rochester Arborist Workshop
Department of Natural Resources
2300 Silver Creek Road NE
Rochester, MN 55906

Rochester Arborist Workshop 2009

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Standard pre-registration by Friday February 6: \$95.00.

Early Bird; Registrations by Friday January 23, your name in drawing for Arborist chainsaw. Group rates (7 or more same company/city 15% discount), student registration \$40.00. Contact Jeanne Willson at 507-206-2838 for pre-approval and other questions.

Registration includes full program, continental breakfast, buffet lunch, afternoon refreshment and hat or t-shirt of your choice. Make checks payable to "Rochester Arborist Workshop" and mail to: Rochester Arborist Workshop, c/o DNR

2300 Silver Creek Road NE
Rochester, MN 55906

No refunds once your registration is received.

PROGRAM

7:15 am
Registration Opens - continental breakfast with vendors.

8:00 am
Welcome and Announcements

8:15 am – 11:45 am
Ken Palmer and Rip Tompkins – ArborMaster
Precision Felling, Safe Chainsaw Handling and Ergonomics

Explore the physics of pulling trees with work lines and mechanical advantage systems.

Update your cutting techniques to match today's technology, increasing safety and productivity with measurable bottom-line results.

11:45 am – 12:45 pm
Buffet Lunch followed by door prize drawings

12:45 pm – 2:15 pm
Ken Palmer and Rip Tompkins – ArborMaster
Developing Key People for Coaching, Training and Mentoring

Identifying and developing key people within an organization to coach, train and mentor in the workplace is the critical connecting link between business objectives and workforce goals and objectives.

2:15 pm – 2:30 pm
Afternoon Break with Vendors

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm
Speaker to be announced
Emerald Ash Borer Update

2:45 pm – 3:45 pm
Ken Palmer and Rip Tompkins – ArborMaster
Bridging the Communication Gap
Creating a simple, systematic method for key communications between different job roles to encourage highly functional working relationships.

TOP 10 REASONS TO ATTEND RAW '09

10. Earn 7.25 CEU'S from ISA.
9. Win great door prizes.
8. Take a break from the cold.
7. Get a free T-shirt or hat.
6. Emphasize safety for your organization.
5. Awesome food!
4. Meet hundreds of other Arborists and Urban Foresters.
3. Early bird registrations have a good chance to win a brand new arborists chainsaw.
2. Learn from Ken Palmer and Rip Tompkins from ArborMaster.
1. **Increase the productivity of your organization.**