KEYNOTE SPEAKER

ANDY LIPKIS— As founder and president of TreePeople since 1973, Andy Lipkis leads an organization that is an international guiding light for the citizen forestry movement.

Andy's programs include airlifting bare-root fruit trees to Africa, inspiring the planting of one million trees in L.A. before the 1984 Summer Olympics, numerous disaster relief efforts during floods and fires, and trainings that increase citizen involvement in urban tree planting and care. He spearheaded an approach to use integrated watershed management to apply a forest's natural infrastructure services to cities.

For over 30 years Andy's leadership has helped make Los Angeles a testing ground for visionary, community-based efforts.

He helped guide the creation and successful implementation of L.A.'s curbside recycling program.

After L.A.'s 1992 civil unrest, Andy co-created the Urban Greening Initiative of the USDA Forest Service, which brought L.A. $2.5 million in jobs programs and urban forestry projects.

Following the devastating 2003 Southern California wildfires, Andy organized an unprecedented conference for the state's top fire ecologists, scientists and foresters to prevent future damage to the environment, economy and human health.

In 2004 TreePeople completed construction on the Center for Community Forestry's Conference Center. One of the nation's most sustainable buildings, it includes a 220,000-gallon cistern to capture, clean and re-use rainwater.

Andy's honors come from groups as diverse as the Baha'i Faith, Daughters of the American Revolution, National Arbor Day Foundation, the California State Board of Forestry and the South Coast Air Quality Management District. In 1991, President George H.W. Bush named TreePeople the 440th Point of Light.

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Thursday May 8, 2014

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

12th Annual Park Summit

Keynote Speaker:

ANDY LIPKIS

Founder and President of TreePeople, an environmental nonprofit that unites the power of trees, people and nature-based solutions to grow a sustainable future for Los Angeles

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DATE **Thursday, May 8, 2014**

TIME

7:15 — 8:00 a.m.
Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:00 — 8:45 a.m.
Opening Comments

8:45 — 10:00 a.m.
Keynote Speaker with Q & A

10:00 — 11:00 a.m.	Break
11:00 — 11:50 a.m.	Session I
12:00 — 12:50 p.m.	Session II
12:50 — 1:50 p.m.	Lunch
2:00 — 3:00 p.m.	Tram Tour

LOCATION

Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden
301 N. Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, CA 91007
Ayres Hall

Please return registration form by e-mail, fax, or mail. Reservations will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis.

Registration deadline is **May 5, 2014**.

Parking Information

Park in the lot adjacent to Ayres Hall and enter through double gates to gain access to the hall. **Carpooling is encouraged.**

ADA Information

Persons with disabilities needing auxiliary aids or services in order to participate may call **Elva Espinoza** at **(213)381-8347** by **May 5, 2014** to make arrangements.

Who should Attend?

Parks and Recreation Directors, Superintendents, Park Supervisors, and staff from Counties, Cities, Conservancies, Parks and Recreation professionals, and non–profit organizations interested in networking, attending workshops, and working in a collaborative effort to form partnerships and solve problems.

This year's summit theme is "Connecting Communities." Don't miss this 12th Anniversary of the Park Summit!

Breakout Session I 11:00 to 11:50 a.m.

- Community Building through Unique Partnerships
- Empowering Volunteers to Help Your Agency Run More Efficiently
- Creating and Maintaining Positive Relationships with Nonprofits
- Healthy Design for Communities
- Promoting Community Health & Wellness through Adult Outdoor Fitness Parks

Breakout Session II 12:00 to 12:50 p.m.

- 100 Citizens: Free Community Based Physical Activity Program
- Exercising Your Health (Active Living, Eating Healthy)
- Community Outreach - Grassroots
- Youth Employee Skills Education
- Words on Play: Making Play a Priority in Your Organization & Community

*Note: Sessions subject to change

- Enjoy a complimentary Tram Tour of the beautiful Arboretum and Botanic Garden at 2:00 p.m.

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Registration Information

Registration fee is $22 per person. Includes Continental Breakfast and Lunch.

Registration Fees are Due by **May 5, 2014**

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