

# 2024 Mississippi Beekeepers Convention Agenda

| FRIDAY OCT 25   |   | MORNING AGENDA            |
|-----------------|---|---------------------------|
| 8:00a - 9:30a   | At the Door Registration Opens  | Lobby                     |
| 8:00a - 4:00p   | Honey & Wax Show Entries Accepted   | Designated Room           |
| 8:00a - 4:00p   | Silent Auction Items Accepted   | Lobby                     |
| 9:30a - 9:45a   | Welcome, Opening Remarks, & Announcements<br><i>Harry Fulton, President</i>         | General Session Room MAIN |
| 9:45a - 10:15a  | Educating the Next Generation of Beekeepers<br><i>Dr. Cameron Jack</i>              | General Session Room MAIN |
| 10:15a - 10:45a | Building a Honey Bee Breeding Program at Stevens Bee Company<br><i>Cory Stevens</i> | General Session Room MAIN |
| 10:45a - 11:00a | BREAK - Visit Vendors!  | Lobby                     |
| 11:00a - 11:30a | Queen Failure Causes<br><i>Earl Hoffman</i>   | General Session Room MAIN |
| 11:30a - 12:00p | Plants, Landscape & Nutrition for Honeybees<br><i>Sammy Ramazani</i>                | General Session Room MAIN |

| FRIDAY OCT 25  |   | AFTERNOON AGENDA          |
|----------------|---|---------------------------|
| 12:00p - 1:30p | LUNCH<br>(Provided with Convention Registration)  |                           |
| 1:30p - 2:00p  | A Comparison of Harbo VSH Selection vs. UBeeO - <i>Cory Stevens</i>   | General Session Room MAIN |
| 1:30p - 2:00p  | Outline of Seasonal Management of Honey Bees - <i>Dr. Jeff Harris</i>   | Breakout Session          |
| 2:00p - 2:30p  | Screening New Chemicals Against Varroa - <i>Dr. Cameron Jack</i>  | General Session Room MAIN |
| 2:00p - 2:30p  | Manuka Honey - The Pillar of New Zealand's Beekeeping Industry<br><i>Omar Martinez, MSU Delta Research and Extension Center, Stoneville</i> | Breakout Session          |
| 2:30p - 3:15p  | Panel Discussion - The State of Beekeeping - <i>Richard Coy, Bret Adee, Harry Fulton</i>  | Room MAIN                 |
| 3:15p - 3:30p  | BREAK - Visit Vendors!  | Lobby                     |
| 3:30p - 4:00p  | AHPA Update - <i>Steven Coy</i>   | General Session Room MAIN |
| 3:30p - 4:00p  | Swarm Management - <i>Dr. Jeff Harris</i>   | Breakout Session          |
| 4:00p - 4:30p  | The Many Facets of Bee Nutrition - <i>Dr. Priya Chakrabarti Basu</i>  | General Session Room MAIN |
| 4:30p - 5:00p  | Door Prizes & Announcements<br>Visit Vendors!   | Room MAIN                 |
| 6:00p          | Banquet, Awards, Entertainment<br>(TICKET PURCHASE REQUIRED)  | Room MAIN                 |

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| SATURDAY OCT 26 |   | MORNING AGENDA               |
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| 8:00a - 9:00a   | At the Door Registration Opens<br><b>Honey &amp; Wax Show Entries<br/>Must be Submitted by 8:30am</b> | Lobby                        |
| 9:00a           | Honey & Wax Show Judging Begins -<br><i>Dr. Jeff Harris</i>   | Designated Room              |
| 9:00a - 9:30a   | Honey Bee Gut Analysis - What Does<br>it Tell Us? - <i>Earl Hoffman</i>                               | General Session<br>Room MAIN |
| 9:30a - 10:30a  | Door Prizes and MBA Business<br>Meeting (MBA Members)   | Room MAIN                    |
| 10:30a - 11:00a | BREAK - Visit Vendors!  | Lobby                        |
| 11:00a - 11:30a | Managing Varroa with Oxalic Acid -<br><i>Dr. Cameron Jack</i>   | General Session<br>Room MAIN |
| 11:00a - 11:30a | Fermentation- A Beekeeper's<br>Nightmare - <i>Harry Fulton</i>  | Breakout Session             |
| 11:30a - 12:00p | Setting Up Cell Builders That Don't<br>Suck - <i>Cory Stevens</i>                                     | General Session<br>Room MAIN |
| 11:30a - 12:00p | Fat Body Creation/Winter Bees/<br>Heater Bees/Thermal Regulation -<br><i>Earl Hoffman</i>             | Breakout Session             |

| SATURDAY OCT 26 |   | AFTERNOON AGENDA             |
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| 12:00p - 1:30p  | LUNCH<br>(Provided with Convention<br>Registration)   |                              |
| 1:30p - 2:00p   | When Do Viruses Strike: Pinpointing<br>Critical Developmental Stage in<br>Queen Honey Bees -<br><i>Sagar Bhandari, MSU Delta Research<br/>and Extension, Stoneville</i> | General Session<br>Room MAIN |
| 1:30p - 2:00p   | Potential Impact of Mosquito<br>Control - <i>Dr. Cameron Jack</i>   | Breakout Session             |
| 2:30p - 3:00p   | BREAK - Visit Vendors!  | Lobby                        |
| 3:00p           | Silent Auction Closes   |                              |
| 3:00p - 3:30p   | Russian Honey Bees -<br><i>Steven Coy</i>   | General Session<br>Room MAIN |
| 3:30p - 4:00p   | Tropilaelaps Mites / Varroa Mite<br>Analysis - <i>Earl Hoffman</i>  | General Session<br>Room MAIN |
| 4:00p - 4:30p   | Silent Auction Winners<br>Grand Prize Winners<br>Honey & Wax Show Winners   | Room MAIN                    |
| 4:30p           | Final Announcements and<br>Adjournment  | Room MAIN                    |