Integrated Network for Social Sustainability Conference at ICA GreenRise June 8-10th

Join the Integrated Network for Social Sustainability conference on June 8-10th! ICA is the midwest host site for this multi-site conference, during which panelists and audience member will take a deep dive into social sustainability! The conference will feature on-site panels, cross-site sessions with the other INSS sites, and field trips to explore Chicago. Panelists will represent a diversity of perspectives -- academic, community practitioner, and policy -- in each level of the permaculture design principles.

Conference Agenda

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<td>8:30 - 9:30 Introductions &amp; World Cafe</td>
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<td>9:30-11:00 Finance &amp; Economics</td>
<td>10:00- 11:00 All sites Introductions &amp; Welcome</td>
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<td>11:10-12:30 Land Tenure &amp; Community Governance</td>
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<td>1:30-3:00 Built Environment</td>
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All are welcome to attend! Visit the ICA's website to register and view the full conference agenda and panelists.
For one week this summer, the ICA is offering the Sustainable Community Development Intensive (SCDI). SCDI participants will learn tools to build communities that are sustainable environmentally, economically, and equitably.

More specifically participants will walk away from the Intensive with:

- Organizing and facilitation methods to engage all types of communities and organizations, including asset based community analysis, creating a framework of support, action planning, and more!
- Theoretical frameworks for understanding community development and strategies for working on systemic change
- A clear grasp of some practical challenges associated with sustainability in America
- An understanding of applied community sustainability work in an urban context, such as the Chicago Sustainability Leaders Network, through field trips and hands-on work
- Strategies for working with local community organizations to apply the methods they have learned during their time in the cohort with a particular focus on fostering climate change action

The program is designed for community development practitioners, environmental activists, students, and others who are interested in learning practical tools to supplement theory-based learning within the field of community development or applied community sustainability.

The one week training is $500. Room and board is available at the GreenRise for $210.

Register and learn more at www.ica-usa.org/SCDI or contact Seva at sgandhi@ica-usa.org. The application deadline is June 24th.
Mark your calendars for the First Annual Uptown Garden Walk on July 16th!

The day will offer formal tours in the morning, afternoon, and evening, with the option of self-guided tours throughout the day. Each of the formal tours will stop at and tour select gardens organized by three different themes: coastal gardens, sidewalk gardens and parkways, and heritage gardens.

Morning | Coastal Garden Route
Afternoon | Sidewalk Garden Route
Evening | Heritage Garden Route

ICA is proud to organize this event with a team of committed Uptown residents and volunteers.