



# Pop-up Urban Forestry Talks

A morning of  
conversation around  
urban forest research  
in Toronto

When: Wednesday, March 14th 9am-noon

Where: Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto - 33 Wilcocks St, Toronto

Cost: Free, but registration required as space is limited

We will hear talks from:

Stuart Livingstone is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow and Course Instructor at the University of Toronto-Scarborough. Stuart will be speaking about his research on the impact of Dog-strangling vine on biodiversity and ecosystem services in Rouge National Urban Park. He will also discuss some preliminary work on the application of *Hypena opulenta* as a bio-control agent for Dog-strangling vine

Andrew Almas is a Lecturer and recent geography PhD grad from UofT who works with Tenley Conway's HOUSE lab that focuses on research examining human-environmental interactions in urban landscapes. He will be discussing his work examining residential and urban foresters knowledge, attitudes, and actions regarding native trees in southern Ontario, as well as briefly discussing the other research projects taking place in the HOUSE lab.

Janani Sivarajah is a PhD candidate at the Faculty of Forestry at the University of Toronto. She will be speaking about her latest publication looking at urban trees in schoolyards: How do they affect student's academic performance? Human exposure to green space and vegetation is widely recognized to result in physical and mental health benefits. The novelty of this study is that there was a strict focus on investigating the specific effects of tree cover, diversity, and species composition on student's academic performance.

