



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

June 8 - W	June 9 - Th	June 10 - F
8:30 - 9:30 Introductions & World Cafe	9:00 - 10:00 GreenRise Building Tour	9:00 - 10:00 Reflections & World Cafe
9:30-11:00 Finance & Economics	10:00- 11:00 All sites Introductions & Welcome	10:00-11:30 Cross-site Panel, Invisible Disasters
11:10-12:30 Land Tenure & Community Governance	11:00-12:15 Cross-site Keynote Speaker, Timothy Beatley	11:30 -12:00 Cross-site Conclusion
12:30 - 1:30 Lunch	12:15 - 1:00 Lunch	12:00- 12:45 Lunch
1:30-3:00 Built Environment	1:00-2:30 Cross-site session hosted by Chicago (CSLN)	12:45-2:15 Health & Spiritual Well-Being
3:15-4:45 Land & Nature Stewardship	2:45-4:15 Education & Culture	2:30-4:00 Tools & Technology

All are welcome to attend! Visit the ICA's website to [register and view the full conference agenda and panelists](#).

Updated! One Week Sustainable Community Development Intensive July 18th-22nd

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.

First Annual Uptown Garden Walk July 16th

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.

