

## 10 Places to Refresh Your Management Knowledge Over the Winter

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Box tree moth is one of many emerging pests that you can learn about in the winter courses offered online and in person.

There may be fewer insect problems to deal with now that bugs are settling in for the winter, but that doesn't mean you should stop thinking about them. Fall and winter are the perfect time to brush up on your knowledge of all things six-legged, whether friend or foe, and new management techniques. We've compiled a list of organizations that continue to provide educational programs through the fall and winter months.

### **EAB University**

This webinar series features invasive species experts from around the country. This semester includes talks on spotted lanternfly, box tree moth, and long-term invasive species management. Spotted lanternfly was recently reported in Indiana and box tree moth is an emerging species of concern. Learning about them now is a great way to be prepared in case they reach your area. Registrations for these webinars and recordings of past webinars

are [available on the EABU site](#).

### **Master Gardener and Master Naturalists**

Those interested in horticulture or the natural world in general can deepen their knowledge through **Master Gardener** and **Master Naturalists** programs. They have an extensive collection of resources that is well worth checking out even if you don't decide to join one of the programs.

### **Purdue Entomology and Forestry and Natural Resources**

These two Purdue departments regularly host webinars, conferences, and in-person events covering a range of insect and plant topics. These events are great ways to connect with experts and get answers to issues you've encountered. Purdue FNR is also offering networking sessions this week for foresters and those interested in the field. Most programs are free and open to the public.

### **CISMA (Indiana Invasive Species Groups)**

Looking for something in person? Join your county CISMA! This network of invasive species groups hold year round events and many have regular newsletters. They also offer services like free [Land Assessments and Management Plans](#) for people concerned about invasive plants. Even if you don't join one, check out their [Landowner Toolkits](#) for some great tips on taking care of all sizes of property.

### **National Societies' Webinars**

Many national societies host webinars that are open to the public. Many offer a range of topics from research reports to management guides to refresher courses. The [Entomological Society North American Invasive Species Management Association](#), and [Natural Areas Association](#) all regularly offer a range of webinars on invasive species, land management, and

insects.

the winter months including: [The Annual Woodland Owner Conference](#), [Indiana Green Expo](#), [Indiana Native Plants Society](#), and the [Bi-State Garden Conference](#).

## Local Conventions

Many local groups have live and virtual conferences planned for

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