2023 Gulf Coast Camellia Society Convention

When: October 13-15, 2023 Where: Covington, LA

Event Locations: Marriott Courtyard Covington & Summerhill

GCCS Block Reservations - \$139/night - Block held till 4:00pm Sept. 13th

Event Schedule

Friday, October 13, 2023

2:00pm Board of Directors Meeting – Marriott Courtyard Covington – Bayou Room

5:30pm - Wine & Beer Reception - Marriott Courtyard Covington - Oak & Cypress Room

6:00 – 9:30pm - Buffet Dinner & Part 1 Plant Auction – Marriott Courtyard Covington – Oak & Cypress Room

Saturday, October 14, 2023

7:00am – Breakfast served – Marriott Courtyard Covington – Oak & Cypress Room

9:00am – GCCS Business Meeting – Marriott Courtyard Covington – Oak & Cypress Room

9:30am – Mimosa and Bloody Mary's – Marriott Courtyard Covington – Courtyard

10:00am – Plant Auction Part 2 – Marriott Courtyard Covington – Oak & Cypress Room

12:30pm – Jazz Lunch on the lawn – Home of Meg & Hunter Charbonnet – Gardens to tour *Directions to be provided at Registration Desk*

3:00pm – International Camellias Congress in Italy – Gardens & Villas *Speaker – Hunter Charbonnet*

3:30pm – Early Camellias in Louisiana

Speakers – Drs. Wayne Stromeyer & Trent James

4:30pm - Silent Auction Closes

5:30pm - Cocktail Reception - Marriott Courtyard - Oak & Cypress Room

6:30pm – President's Banquet

7:30pm – Climate Resilient Camellias for a 21st Century Gulf South – What thrived, died, or survived given the challenges of climate change

Speaker – Dr. David Creech

Note: Please email Jim Campbell, <u>rivercamellia@bellsouth.net</u>, the items and/or plants you plan to provide GCCS for the auctions – All items must be in Oak & Cypress Room by 5:00pm Friday Oct. 13th. Winners must pay by cash, check, or credit card at the end of each auction.