



65th Annual Meeting of the Aquatic Plant Management Society

July 14-17, 2025
Omni Providence – Providence, Rhode Island

Present Your Original Research

You are invited to submit a title and abstract for the 65th Annual Meeting of the Aquatic Plant Management Society to be held at the Omni Providence in beautiful Providence, Rhode Island. Oral and poster presentations are solicited for original research on the biology or ecology of aquatic and wetland plants and algae, control methods (biological, chemical, cultural/physical, mechanical) for invasive, non-native or nuisance plant or algal species, and restoration projects involving wetland or aquatic plants and algae. Presentation of original research will be given preference and should be indicated by including results in the abstract. This year's meeting is in the region of the Northeast Aquatic Plant Management Society, so regional presenters are strongly encouraged to submit an abstract.

Oral presentations will be allotted a total of 20 minutes (15 minutes for the presentation, 5 minutes for questions and discussion). Contributed oral presentations should be scientific or technical in nature, which will be determined from the submitted abstract. All presenters will be required to upload their final PowerPoint presentation to the abstract submission portal prior to the meeting. Note: All presentations that include externally run programs, models, or special animation must be reviewed and approved by the Program Chair prior to the meeting. You will not be allowed to set up a personal computer for your presentation. A poster session will also be scheduled. Free-standing display boards (4' x 4') will be provided for posters.

Students

The society will provide all student presenters with room accommodations and complimentary registration. First, 2nd, and 3rd place prize money will be awarded in separate contests for both oral and poster presentations. In addition, a student tour of local management sites and scenic places is being put together for student enjoyment. Students may contact the Program Chair (Dr. Lyn Gettys; lgettys@ufl.edu) or the Student Affairs Committee Chair (Dr. Andrew Howell; awhowell@ncsu.edu) with any questions.

Abstract Submission Information

Abstracts must be submitted through the Confex abstract submission system at <https://vmx.manage.com/home/us/apms2025/en-US>. Instructions for abstract submittal are below. The submission system is open now and will remain open until Friday, **May 23, 2025**. Acceptance of contributed papers will not occur until after the abstract deadline and will be confirmed by a separate e-mail.

Logging in to the Confex System

Click "Submission Page" at the top of the webpage. If you have used this system before, enter your e-mail address and password to sign on to the system. If not, you'll be asked to create an account. Once you are logged in, go to the Submission Page, scroll down to the Abstract Submission section and click the "Submit New Abstract" button. Follow the directions and please pay attention to the formatting requirements outlined in the system. Abstract sections are as follows:

Title: Type in the title capitalizing key words (e.g., Response of Eurasian and Hybrid Watermilfoil to Five Auxin-mimic Herbicides). Please do not submit your title in bold typeface or all caps. Just capitalize the major words in the title.

Type: select “Oral” or “Poster”

Topic: Select “Student Competition” or “Regular Submission”. *Note: The society will provide all student presenters with room accommodations and complimentary registration. There will be a contest awarding 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for both the oral and poster presentations.*

Add Authors: Be sure to include all the requested information for yourself and co-authors.

Are you a Student?: Select “Yes” or “No”

Abstract text: Type or copy/paste the text of your abstract into the abstract box (300 word maximum).

Review: Make sure that everything is correct, check the box in the “Approve Submission” section at the bottom of the page, and click the “Submit” button. You’ll receive an email confirmation of your submission.

If you have any questions, please contact [Dr. Lyn Gettys](mailto:Dr.Lyn.Gettys), 2025 APMS Program Chair, at lgettys@ufl.edu