

News for *Immediate Release*

PGMS[®] Salutes University of Alabama for Grounds Maintenance Excellence

Forest Hill, MD (October 2024) – The Professional Grounds Management Society[®] (PGMS[®]) recognized the **University of Alabama** in Tuscaloosa, Ala. with an Honor Award in the Society's 2024 Green Star Awards[®] competition. The award was given in the University & College Grounds (Large – 500+ acres) category for exceptional grounds maintenance. Winners were honored during the Society's 2024 Awards Celebration held on October 17, in conjunction with the Annual Conference & Equip Exposition in Louisville, KY, Oct. 15 - 18.

The Green Star Awards program brings national recognition to grounds maintained with a high degree of excellence, complimenting other national landscape award programs that recognize outstanding landscape design and construction. Overall, PGMS presented 9 Grand Awards, its highest honor, 12 Honor Awards and 2 Merit Awards. Also, one institution received special recognition and was awarded the Sustainability Award for achieving top ratings in sustainability operational practices.

To view a complete list of winners please visit <u>https://pgms.org/page/2024AnnualRecap</u>.

PGMS leaders are already at work planning for the 2025 Annual Green Star Awards which will be presented at the 2025 Annual Conference, which will take place in Louisville, Ky., Oct. 21 - 24, 2024 in conjunction with the Equip Expo.

About the Professional Grounds Management Society

Serving the profession for over 100 years, PGMS is an individual membership society of grounds professionals dedicated to advancing the grounds management profession through education and professional development. Further information on PGMS is available online at <u>www.PGMS.org</u>.

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