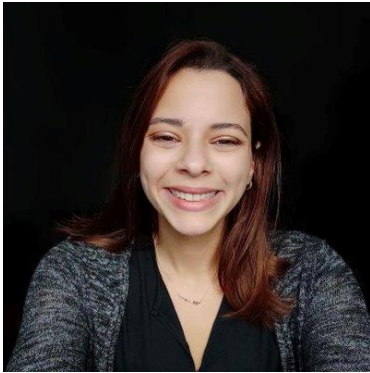


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Dr. Mayra Rodríguez

Promoting Environmental Equity in Urban Areas through Urban Forestry Initiatives and Community Engagement

Friday
November 3, 2023
12:15-1:15pm

Food served at noon

YNG 132

Host: Julia Smachylo

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Dr. Mayra Rodríguez is an Urban Forester committed to promoting communal urban forest management and addressing environmental injustice through the UConn Extension Urban and Community Forestry Program. Her work focuses on improving natural resource management and increasing the accessibility of urban forestry initiatives to underserved communities through tree canopy management and community engagement.

This presentation offers a unique opportunity to discuss urban forestry initiatives and their role and shortcomings in promoting sustainable, resilient, and just communities. Dr. Rodríguez will also explore the strategies and collaborative approaches that underpin the various initiatives she has co-developed to create positive environmental change and enhance the quality of life for urban residents in Connecticut.



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