



# The UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center Newsletter

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## DAVID OSBORNE DINNER CONCERT TO BENEFIT LIBRARY



David Osborne—Pianist to Six U.S. Presidents

David Osborne, distinguished member of the international roster of Steinway Artists, is coming to Tifton for a special concert and dinner at 6:30 PM, Saturday, October 22 at the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center.

From Las Vegas's Bellagio and Caesar's Palace to the halls of the White House, Osborne's frequency of playing for present and past presidents has earned him the title of "Pianist to The Presidents". Osborne has played the White House and throughout the country for former presidents Carter, Bush, Reagan and Clinton, as well as a host of dignitaries and celebrities.

Miami, Oklahoma native, David Osborne has been playing the piano since he was five years old.

A serious man with a great sense of humor, his education includes a B.A. from Oral Roberts University in his home state of Oklahoma, other studies at Indiana University, and an M.A. from Pittsburg State University in Kansas. David's recordings on the Northstar Music label have become the number one romantic piano recordings nationwide having reached millions of fans.

David utilizes his classical study and technique to execute flawless performances of Broadway, romantic, classical and ageless standards of the American song book. He combines this technique with his love for the piano and music to unlock the "Keys To The Heart".

His touch and feel for romantic love songs has created a style that is unique only to him, and has earned him the title "Master of the Romantic Piano".

A few of Osborne's more significant recent events include a concert for the American Breast Cancer Awareness Foundation, an interview and performance on TV's "The 700 Club", a concert for the Steinway and Sons International convention of worldwide dealers at the Beverly Hills Hotel, a benefit concert at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY, and a performance in Las Vegas, playing the Steinway pianos of Vladimir Horowitz, Van Cliburn and George Gershwin at Southern Nevada Music as part of Steinway & Sons Legendary Instruments of the Immortals Tour.

**General Admission Tickets**  
**\$75.00 per person,**  
**available at the UGA TCCC Office,**  
**online or call 229-386-3416**

**Reservation Deadline:**  
**October 7th**

**Dinner & Concert at 6:30 PM**  
**October 22, 2011.**  
**Doors will open at 6 PM**

**Seated Dinner Catered by**  
**Covington's of Valdosta.**  
**Black Tie Optional**

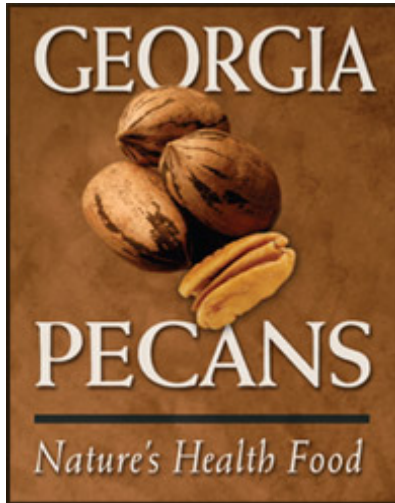
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**For More information:**  
**229-386-2237**

**To whet your appetite for this**  
**special evening, check out**  
**Osborne on YouTube.**

[www.ugatiftonconference.org](http://www.ugatiftonconference.org)

The Georgia Pecan Growers Association's Annual Fall Field Day  
 Thursday, September 8, 2011  
 at the UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center in Tifton, GA



Registration begins at 8 AM and the program will start at 8:30 AM. All members of the GPGA and individuals interested in pecan production are invited to attend. Lunch will be served at noon.

There is no cost for registration or lunch.

For further information contact the  
 georgiapecan@gmail.com  
 or 229-382-2187.



THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA  
 COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL &  
 ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES



**Southwest District Recruitment Event**

**WHEN:** Tuesday, September 20, 2011

**TIME:** 5:00 pm  
 Meal Provided (Registration information below)

**WHERE:** UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center

**WHO:** 10th-12th grade students and college Transfer students interested in UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - Parents Welcome

**WHAT:** Information on the college, admissions to UGA, financial aid, majors and more!

**10th-12th Graders:**  
 To sign up, contact your local County Extension Office or the SW District Office at (229) 386-3414 or scromer@uga.edu.

**Transfer Students:**  
 To sign up, contact Christy Bryan at (229) 386-3338 or enbryan@uga.edu

Please register by September 16, 2011



**2011 BACTERIAL  
 FRUIT BLOTCH SUMMIT**

**TUESDAY, OCT. 25  
 9 AM-5 PM**



**WED., OCT. 26  
 8 AM-12 PM**

**UGA TIFTON CAMPUS CONFERENCE CENTER  
 TIFTON, GA - I-75 - EXIT 64**

**THE RIGHT FACILITIES**



South Building	Max. Capacity
<a href="#">Auditorium (AUD)</a>	350
<a href="#">Room 1</a>	60
<a href="#">Room 2</a>	24
<a href="#">Room 2/3</a>	54
<a href="#">Room 3</a>	27
<a href="#">Room 4</a>	27
<a href="#">Room 4/5</a>	54
<a href="#">Room 5</a>	27
<a href="#">Room 6</a>	28
<a href="#">Room 6/7</a>	72
<a href="#">Room 7</a>	28
<a href="#">Room 8</a>	15
<a href="#">Room 10</a>	60
North Building	Max. Capacity
<a href="#">Auditorium Area 12</a>	2,000
<a href="#">Area 11</a>	Stage, Dressing Rooms, Green Room
<a href="#">Area 13</a>	200
<a href="#">Room 14</a>	54
<a href="#">Business Center</a>	--
<a href="#">Boardroom</a>	15
<a href="#">Ballroom</a>	1,000
<a href="#">Room 17A</a>	240
<a href="#">Room 17B</a>	240
<a href="#">Room 17C</a>	240
<a href="#">Room 17D</a>	240
<a href="#">Room 19A</a>	60
<a href="#">Room 19B</a>	72
<a href="#">Room 19C</a>	72

**MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR...**



Dr. Jean Hurst

**Time to say good-bye....**

For almost five years, I have enjoyed presiding over more than 3100 meetings, 357,000 attendees and watching the conference center grow from the RDC meeting place to a full-fledged Conference Center attracting hundreds and thousands from all over the state, region and nation.

When I first arrived, no one had heard of UGA Tifton Conference Center. Or UGA Tifton, for that matter. So the campaign began to build a foundation for operation of the Center, create visibility in the community and beyond, create a vision for the operation of the Center, showcase the offerings through some 70 ads in local, state, and southeastern publications, publishing a quarterly newsletter (now in its 13<sup>th</sup> edition) and distributing it to a data base that has now grown to approximately 8,000, and creating a video now seen on the GAVCB

(NING) website, on our own revamped website, and on YouTube. Recently we enjoyed space on Georgia.Now in both an editorial and an interview.

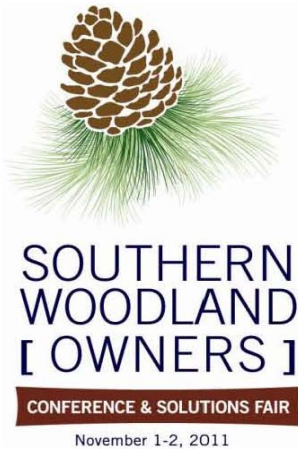
Located in the heart of rural South Georgia, this Conference Center prides itself on providing 5-star quality service that has been the mantra of my leadership. It was my passion to come here to make a difference. The hundreds of evaluations attest to the 5-star quality customer service that suggests we do make a difference.

The local support of the Tifton-Tift County Tourism, the numerous organizations with which I have had the joy of working, and the warmth of the people of Tifton –all make my decision a difficult one. I am glad that on my life journey, the train stopped for me in Tifton.

My leadership philosophy I borrowed from the great Chinese philosopher Lao-Tzu: "Lead the people to the work and when the work is finished, the people will say, 'We have done it ourselves.'" And so it is.

**The  
Right  
Location!**

**SOUTHERN WOODLAND OWNERS  
CONFERENCE & SOLUTIONS FAIR  
NOVEMBER 1-2, 2011**



A major learning opportunity for timberland owners in the South will take place November 1 & 2 in Tifton, GA. The Georgia Forestry Association, along with numerous other supporting sponsors, will host the Southern Woodland Owners Conference and Solutions Fair, featuring workshops on intergenerational land transfer, timber security, reforestation, seedling development, timberland value trends, forest certification and much more. Workshops will be complemented by exhibits providing valuable information on products and services available to woodland owners.

Two exciting pre-conference field trips are scheduled on Monday, October 31—one to an area oriented strand board (OSB) mill and another to a 3200 acre plantation well

known for the research being conducted in longleaf/wiregrass restoration.

Harris Sherman, U.S. Department of Agriculture Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, will keynote the event. Forestry roundtable discussions will expand the range of topics for landowners who want to take advantage of 'forestry night school' planned for the evening of November 1st.

The conference will be held at the University of Georgia Tifton Campus Conference Center, acclaimed as one of the finest Conference Centers in the South. Details and registration information will be posted by August 15th at [www.gfagrow.org](http://www.gfagrow.org) or [www.ugatiftonconference.org](http://www.ugatiftonconference.org).



Harris Sherman,  
US Dept. of Ag Under Secretary



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- Recording Input

**UPCOMING EVENTS  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
AT THE UGA TCCC**

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2011**

2011 GPGA FALL FIELD DAY  
Sponsor: Georgia Pecan Growers Assn.  
229-382-2187

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2011**

UGA RECRUITMENT  
229-386-3414

**OCTOBER 22, 2011**

DAVID OSBORNE TRIO  
Sponsor: Tifton-Tift County Public  
Library Board Foundation  
229-386-2237

**OCTOBER 25-26, 2011**

BACTERIAL FRUIT BLOTCH SUMMIT  
Sponsor: University of Georgia  
229-386-3416

**NOVEMBER 1-2, 2011**

SOUTHERN WOODLAND OWNERS  
CONFERENCE & SOLUTIONS FAIR  
Sponsor: Georgia Forestry Association  
229-386-3416

**NOVEMBER 8, 2011**

ANNUAL HOSPICE LUNCHEON  
Sponsor: TRMC  
229-386-3416

**NOVEMBER 14, 2011**

UGA INCOME TAX UPDATE  
Sponsor: University of Georgia  
706-542-3537

PRIVATE EVENTS ALSO BOOKED



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