



Maine Arborist Association

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Independence. Growing. Sharing. Contributing.

These are some of the steps which we as arborists have the wonderful opportunity to achieve. Independence comes with starting out on our own, maybe with time as our own business. We are able to do our own thing, at our own pace, in our own way. It is a great place to be and gives a huge feeling of fulfillment! Growing comes with refining our talents, honing our skills, and experiencing all of the things which create us as veteran arborists. Sharing comes with the realization that we wish to help others achieve their own goals, such as other contractors we may work with in concert. If you are like many of us, the first three steps are familiar to you and came rather naturally. They all lead to improving yourself and your business.

The last step is more of a challenge...contributing. I will not pretend to be the "fraternal" type. I did not feel the need to join an association for a number of years. It was, however, after joining associations such as the NAA/TCIA, then ISA, and finally ASCA that I realized how much I could improve myself and my business far beyond what I could have accomplished on my own. I wish to offer you my profound invitation to join our very own arborist association---the Maine Arborist Association---one of the oldest of its kind in the country.

We are at an exciting crossroads, and welcome the input of both young and older arborists to share their ideas and experiences. As a member of the MAA, you will have networking opportunities, be exposed to state-of-the art equipment and techniques, and learn from some of the brightest minds in the country at our Annual Meeting. Contributing your time was never so important. And contributing your time has never been so appreciated!

Sincerely,
Michael Hughes President