

**Limited to
75 attendees**

Biomechanics for Avoiding Failure and Embracing Failure for Habitat

6 CEUs



Sept 12, 2025



8:30am - 4:30pm



**Victoria Park East Golf Club -
1096 Victoria Rd S, Guelph**

Part 1 - Biomechanics - Matt Follett



Matt brings practical experience and research-driven insight into the biomechanical principles that influence urban trees: how they grow, why they fail, and how to manage and mitigate the risks. This will be a real-world, experience-based discussion led by a seasoned climber and emerging academic. You will gain key information to improve long-term tree health and promote safer climbing practices that raise industry standards.

Part 2 - Embracing Failure for Habitat - Alex Duszczyszyn

Alex has extensive experience in tree marking, forest pathology, and addressing climate change impacts on forest ecosystems. Currently, Alex is a Conservation Technician with the Nature Conservancy of Canada, where he contributes to ecological restoration and conservation initiatives. Drawing on his background in ecology, Alex will highlight the ecological value of tree failure, emphasizing its essential role in creating habitats for a diverse range of species.



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Founded in 2019 by the Elora Environment Centre, Tree Trust is a program that supports several community-based chapters across the province in raising funds to preserve local legacy trees.

Each chapter works with a Tree Trust Approved Arborist who meets the rigorous criteria for managing valuable mature trees and participates in annual workshops to share experiences and expand knowledge.



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