



2026 Maine Land Conservation Conference

April 28 & 29

Augusta Civic Center, Augusta, ME

Maine Coast Heritage Trust's annual Maine Land Conservation Conference brings together land trusts, natural resource professionals, and Maine people to discuss and explore the most pressing issues facing land conservation. Participants share knowledge and best practices, learn from experts and one another, and are energized by inspiring speakers. Each year, Maine's conservation community increases the impact of its work by coming together to learn and grow collaboratively.

Two full days of in-person learning, networking, and inspiration

Last spring's annual Maine Land Conservation Conference broke records, with over 450 registrants. Attendees cheered the mid-week schedule, which we will repeat in 2026. Our focus will be the evolution of conservation and how it continues to grow to meet the needs of local communities-their people, plants, animals, and environments. As always, highlights will include our "Land Fair" exhibit area, an inspirational keynote address, our evening social gathering, and plenty of time for networking.

Tuesday, April 28: An early morning bird walk, in-depth workshops, a leisurely networking lunch, topical cohort gatherings, and our popular community social.

Wednesday, April 29: A full day of opportunities for connection and shared learning including 16 workshops, a Land Fair exhibition, networking time over coffee and lunch, and a closing gathering that brings everyone back together to capture highlights, learnings, and resulting actions we want to take.

Keynote Speaker – Our keynote address will reflect our focus on the evolution of conservation and envisioning what might be possible. We will be joined by [Forrest King-Cortes](#), national director of community-centered conservation for the Land Trust Alliance. Mr. King-Cortes will be joined by additional panelists from Maine who will pose the question, What type of movement do we want to build together?

Your Sponsorship Benefits

As a sponsor, your organization will be acknowledged in our print and online publications, email communications, and at the in-person event where we expect 400-500 people to gather. You will also qualify for free tickets to attend the Conference and exhibit at our Land Fair. Once the Conference registration platform goes live in mid-March, we will contact you to share the final schedule and provide instructions on how to register and sign up for your table at no charge.

Visit the Conference web page for additional information, including our schedule of workshops, workshop descriptions, presenter info, and more.

Thank you for supporting the land trust and conservation community in Maine!

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