

## 2023 SHOW TESTIMONIALS



**Brian McCall**  
**BOBBEX**  
Naugatuck, CT  
Exhibitor



**Tim Babikow**  
**BABIKOW GREENHOUSES**  
Baltimore, MD  
Exhibitor



**Alec Charais**  
**BAILEY NURSERIES**  
St. Paul, MN  
Exhibitor

This is our 18th year exhibiting at MANTS. The 2023 show has been very good, it's been very busy from the start. I've talked to many new customers, written some orders, and gotten very positive feedback. The show is alive and well. I am really happy to be here and look forward to being here next year as well. We do many other shows around the country, and MANTS has, by far, as good as or better attendance than any other show. It's always good to be here at the start of the season.

We've been exhibiting at MANTS for 40 Plus years. The 2023 show blows past years' shows away. It's very busy. I get buyers, my vendors are here, and I meet new customers. This is the Show – the only show I do.

We've been exhibiting at MANTS for over 30 years. MANTS has always been a great show; we love being here. It's really the premier nursery show in the country. We make great connections here. This year's show has been exceptionally strong. Plus, having the opportunity to talk directly to the media and writers' group was a great experience. It's always good to connect our new products to the consumers, and the media is a huge way to make that happen. We were able to introduce our new product – POP STAR hydrangeas – to the media and received a lot of great questions and feedback.

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**Junell Hill**  
**NORTHLAND EXPRESS**  
**TRANSPORT**  
Grand Haven, MI  
Exhibitor

We've been exhibiting at MANTS for probably 25 years. It's one of the best shows out there in the industry. Great attendance and foot traffic. Seems Like MANTS is the show to be at ... it's the Number One Show. And January is a great time of year to have a nursery show.



**John McCleod & Chris Marshall**  
**SURROUNDS LANDSCAPE**  
**ARCHITECTURE +**  
**CONSTRUCTION**  
Sterling, VA  
Attendees

We've been at MANTS for at least a dozen years. It's beautiful, with all these plants. The show is very well done. It's quite overwhelming, in a good way. Everything you can think of, you can find here. A very cool show – one of the best in the country.



**Chris Pianta**  
**AGROSCI**  
Colchester, CT  
First Time Exhibitor

The show has been great for us! It's been very well attended; the activity level has been really high. We are very pleased with the results, and we've met a lot of people who are interested in our company. It's been great to work with the MANTS people as well. It means a lot to us that we were able to speak to the media and writers' group. Often new products get ignored. MANTS gave us a good platform to talk to people and hopefully get the word out to consumers.

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**Larry Honey**  
**WHEAT'S LAWN & CUSTOM  
LANDSCAPING**  
Vienna, VA  
Attendee



**Autumn Layman &  
Amy Wernecke**  
**BARKS ROAD LANDSCAPE  
ARCHITECTURE**  
Arnold, MD  
Attendees



**Lee & Beth Hinesley**  
**MORGAN CREEK NURSERY**  
Pfafftown, NC  
Attendees

I've been coming to MANTS for 6 years. It's a great show. You can find just about anything you want here. This is the only show I need to go to.

We are new to the company and this is our first time at MANTS. It's beautiful – lots of information to take in. Almost our entire company is here today. I was not expecting the show to be so big, with so much plant material. It's a great opportunity for us to meet some of the people we talk to on the phone. We have learned a few things to take back to the designers – new products to recommend.

We have been here for the past 20 years. This has been an amazing show – the attendance has been great! We collect information here, then we go home and figure out what we need, and get in touch with the people we spoke to here. Everything we need is here – the brokers, the reps from all the different companies, it's great!

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**Carrie Engel**

**VALLEY VIEW FARMS**

Cockeysville/Hunt Valley, MD

Attendee

I have been coming to MANTS regularly since 1985. It's a terrific place for networking after the holidays, and for catching up with vendors to see what they might have new for us this spring. As the greenhouse manager at Valley View Farms, I do look for new items, and new suppliers. For me, whether it's tropical plants, annuals, perennials,

trees and shrubs or whatever, this is really the place to find the plants you want. What's great about this show is that you can ask one vendor about a product and they may say, "We don't have that, but go see so-and-so". The MANTS management does a terrific job of organizing the show. The great thing is that everyone is on the show floor talking. We are not worried about

the distraction of attending classes or seminars like at some other shows. MANTS has been very good for my personal development and for Valley View Farms. The company sends about 12 to 15 employees here every year, to engage with the vendors and gain knowledge and experience. That's invaluable.

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