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## **Sprigs & Twigs Supports Professional Development**

Staff Earn Connecticut Accredited Nursery Professional Certification

**Gales Ferry, Conn. – December 11, 2013** – Sprigs & Twigs, Inc., a leading landscape design, lawn care and tree service provider in southeastern Connecticut, today announced that two of its staff has become Connecticut Accredited Nursery Professionals (CANP) through the Connecticut Nursery & Landscape Association (CNLA) certification program. A total of three Sprigs & Twigs employees have completed CNLAs comprehensive 13-week, 26-hour course and a rigorous exam to gain the most up-todate horticulture knowledge. The course covers all aspects of horticulture from botany, plant identification and professional technology information. The accreditation is honored in all six New England states.

"Sprigs & Twigs supports ongoing professional development and personal growth for all our staff," said Bill Lillie, AOLCP, chief executive officer, Sprigs & Twigs. "By helping our landscape professionals learn the latest in horticulture, our team is better equipped to meet our landscape customers' needs and answer questions while on the job."

## **New Connecticut Accredited Nursery Professionals**

The following Sprigs & Twigs staff will apply their new CNLA horticulture knowledge to the care of residential and commercial landscapes throughout southeastern Connecticut and western Rhode Island:

- Mary Grace Haggett, AOLCP, CANP: Mary Grace oversees garden maintenance projects for Sprigs & Twigs. She has more than five years of horticulture experience and earned a BS degree in horticulture and landscape design from the University of Connecticut.
- **Dawn Pariseau, CANP:** Dawn is a Team Leader within the Landscape Division and manages garden installation and maintenance projects. She has more than 20 years of experience in landscape design, floriculture and horticulture.

All graduates from the Connecticut Nursery & Landscape Association certification program will be recognized at a special ceremony at the CNLA Winter Symposium in January 2014.

## About Sprigs & Twigs, Inc.

Sprigs & Twigs, Inc., a leader in landscape design specializing in environmentally-friendly, low maintenance, naturalistic landscapes, creates one-of-a-kind gardens for residential and commercial properties across southeastern Connecticut. Founded in 1997, Sprigs & Twigs landscape services include garden design, installation and maintenance, tree care including removal, pruning and fertilization, along with a full range of organic lawn care, trimming and mowing. For more information, visit www.sprigsandtwigs.net.

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