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NORTHEAST ORGANIC FARMING ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK

2019 WINTER CONFERENCE WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

(Subject to Change)

Friday, January 18

Time	Demo Kitchen	Saratoga 1	Saratoga 2	Saratoga 3	Broadway 1	Broadway 2	Broadway 3	Broadway 4	Alabama	Travers	Highrock	Phila	2A - Seed Conference	2B - Seed Conference
Friday **8:00 am - 9:15 am**		Vegetable Track: **Real Talk for When You Have to Spray: How to Make it Safe and Effective** Ethan Grundberg and Max Morningstar	Vegetable Track: **Maximize Your Greenhouse Space: Grafting for Productivity** Judson Reid	Vegetable Track: **"Wicking Hills," a New Natural Irrigation and Flood Protection System** Lou Lego	Fruit Track: **Figs: An Ideal Growing Approach in a Non-ideal Climate** Craig Boyer and Bill Lauris	Business Track: **Supply Chain Management For Small and Mid-size Farms** Silas Conroy and Ryn Adkins	Soil Health Track: **Soil Health and Climate Change** Elizabeth Marks and Nancy Welsh	Grain Track: **Restoring Heritage Grain: Bread from the Earth** Eli Rogosa	Specialty Crop Track: **The Mushroom Entrepreneur** KC Mangine and Jesse Chandler	Business Track: **Half-Day Intensive: Intro to Organic Certification** Jessica Terry	Soil Health Track: **Rodale Intensive: On-farm Composting** Rick Carr	Livestock Track: **Bees on Farms: A Beekeeping Primer** Megan Denver and Jorik Phillips	Seed Workshop: **Full Day Intensive: Approaches and Successes: Plant Breeding in the Northeast** **Part 1: Botany and Genetics for Seed Growers and Plant Breeders** Myra Manning and Joseph Lofthouse **Part 2: Tools and Technology** Jason Cavatorta, Jared Zystro and Micaela Colley **Part 3: Building Community and Seed Skills** Micaela Colley, Jared Zystro, Jason Grauer, and Aabir Day **Part 4: Learning New Crop Breeding Systems** Hannah Swegarden, Micaela Colley, Jason Cavatorta, Jared Zystro, and more!	
Friday **9:30 am - 10:45 am**	Kitchen Track: **Paella! Sustainable Ethnic Recipe for Holistic Wellness Demo** Sandra Martinetto Weiss	Market Farming Track: **Working with Living Soil** Jean-Martin Fortier		Vegetable Track: **Adding Value and Flavor to Winter Storage Crops** Michael Mazourek, Matthew Falise, Lucy Garrison-Clauson, and Nathaniel Thompson	Fruit Track: **Developing an Organic Pick-Your-Own Blueberry Operation** David Ingalls	Urban Farming Track: **Managing and Understanding Urban Soil** John and Linda Ameroso	Soil Health Track: **Soil Fertility: How Soil Works** Jennifer Gilbert Jenkins	Value-Added Track: **Creating a Successful Rural Food Hub** Jori Wekin and Anna Isserow	Specialty Crop Track: **Tiny Hearts Farm: Organically Grown Flowers in the Hudson Valley** Jenny Elliott and Luke Franco		Livestock Track: **Rodale Intensive: Pastured Pork Production** Shelby Dukes	Policy Track: **Organic Farmers' Voices in the Farm Bill and Beyond: How Did We Do and Where Do We Go from Here?** Abby Youngblood and Kate Mendenhall		
Friday **1:00 pm - 2:15 pm**	Kitchen Track: **Creating Nourishing "Raw" Snacks** Nancy Pierro	Market Farming Track: **Integrated Crop Planning with Tend** Jean-Martin Fortier, Stephan Garaffo, and Robert Dubois Jr.		Vegetable Track: **Investing in Equipment: Grower Panel** Chaw Chang	Fruit Track: **Advanced Pruning of Blueberries by Variety** Gayle Thorpe	Urban Farming Track: **Capital Roots Troy NY: From Community Gardens to a Non-Profit Food Hub** Marissa Peck and Amy Klein	Business Track: **Personal Financial Management** Donna Hickling	Grain Track: **Buckwheat: Good for The Ground, Good For You!** Thor Oechsner and Amy Halloran	Value-Added Track: **Understanding Hemp Markets: Thinking Past the Farm** Chris Cardillo	Value-Added Track: **New Foods, Native Plants: An Added Value Crop Growing Under Our Feet** Marie Viljoen	Livestock Track: **Rodale Intensive: Soil Health and Composting** Andrew Smith and Rick Carr	Homesteading Track: **Permaculture Design Explained: The Basics Applied in Nature and Society** Andrew Leslie Phillips		
Friday **2:30 pm - 3:45 pm**	Kitchen Track: **Farm to Table Charcuterie: Not as Difficult as it Seems!** Heather Sandford	Market Farming Track: **Dig deeper into Tend: Smart Farm (Interactive)** Jean-Martin Fortier, Stephan Garaffo, and Robert Dubois Jr.		Vegetable Track: **Biopesticides for Vegetable Diseases: What are They and How Well do They Work?** Amara Dunn and Meg McGrath	Homesteading Track: **Permaculture Water Management in a Climate of Change** Justin Sutherland and Sarita Radley	Grain Track: **Adapting to Weather Extremes on Diversified Farms** Alissa White	Business Track: **AMS Specialty Crop Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Market News Portal** Stanley Harris	Grain Track: **Farm Sub-surface Drainage Systems** Larry Duane Geohring	Livestock Track: **Draft Horse Primer** Donn Hewes	Value-Added Track: **Good Karma for Developing Value-Added Products** Gene Olczak	Livestock Track: **The Biology of Soil: Using Ruminant Animals and Foliar Feeding to Build Soil Health and Address Climate Change** Steve Rockcastle	Policy Track: **The Farm Labor Dilemma: Immigrant Workers on NY Farms** Carly Fox, Luis Jiménez, Chris Cashen, and Mike McMahon		
Friday **4:00 pm - 5:00 pm**				Annual Meeting: **NYSSFPA Annual Meeting**	Discussion Group: **How Do We Build a Rural Future that Provides Just Livelihoods and Food Access for All?** Michele Drozd and Tatiana Abatemarco	Discussion Group: **Building Power to Fix the Food System: How do YOU Make a Difference?** Liana Hoodes and Patty Lovera	Discussion Group: **Weeds, Weeds, and More Weeds** Maryellen Sheehan	Discussion Group: **Next Generation Leadership Meeting** Bethany Wallis	Children's Movie: **Charlotte's Web**	Discussion Group: **Farmer Veteran Networking Session** Andy Pressman and Daniel Prial	Discussion Group: **Building a Soil Health Program for NYS** Elizabeth Henderson and Peter Lehner	Discussion Group: **Building a Thriving CSA Network** Briana Alfaro	Discussion Group: **Seeds of Hope Film and Panel Discussion** Rowen White, Tina Square, Mary Arquette, Ken Greene, and Raul Carreon	

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Saturday **8:00 am - 9:15 am**	Kitchen Track: **Secrets of Successful Gluten Free Baking from Saratoga Gluten Free** MaryAnna O'Donnell	Market Farming Track: **Half-Day Intensive: Tarps, Tillage and Time: What's Happening with your Soils and Weeds?** Haley Rylander, Ryan Maher, and Brian Caldwell	Vegetable Track: **Automated Misting System Design and Installation for Greenhouses** Todd Lighthouse	Vegetable Track: **Half-Day Intensive: Wash Lines to Storage Buildings Intensive: Post-Harvest Construction Project** Chris Callahan, and a Farmer Panel	Fruit Track: **Growing Chestnuts in the Northeast** Akiva Silver	Soil Health Track: **Healthy Soils, Healthy Communities** Hannah Shayler and Sara Perl Egendorf	Homesteading Track: **Resilient Communities: Growing Food, People, and Relationships** Patty Love, Lauren Caruso, and Tonya Noel	Grain Track: **Value Adding to the Max: How to Grow, Clean, and Process Cereal Grains** George Wright	Value-Added Track: **Producing for a Mission: Mustard Seed n' More** Maggie and James Brewer	Value-Added Track: **9 Miles East Farm: Expanding the Market for Healthy Local Food** Gordon Sacks	Livestock Track: **Intro to Organic Bees: Bees 101 and Building Relationships with Bee Keepers** Neal Kober	Market Farming Track: **No-Till Farming at Four Winds Farm** Jay Armour and Jenna Kincaid	Seed Workshop: **Half-Day Intensive: Innovations in Winter Squash** **Part 1:** Heron Breen and Ken Ettlinger **Part 2:** Lindsay Wyatt and Jodi Lew-Smith	Seed Workshop: **Seed Non-Profits** Bill Braun, Ken Greene, Steph Gaylor, Lia Babitch, Shanyn Siegel, and Micaela Colley
Saturday **9:30 am - 10:45 am**			Policy Track: **Farming While Black: African Diasporic Wisdom for Farming and Food Justice** Leah Penniman		Fruit Track: **Producing High Quality Apples in the Northeast** Lou Lego	Soil Health Track: **Celebrate Biodynamic Principles and Practices** Steffen Schneider and Anthony Mecca	Homesteading Track: **Maximizing Growing Space on the Suburban Homestead** Maria and Tom Blon	Grain Track: **How Grilled Cheese Saved the Family Farm** George Wright	Value-Added Track: **From Boats to Beef Jerky: Lessons Learned in Getting Product to Market** Mike and Tamara Merwin	Marketing Track: **Getting Started in Agritourism** Jarmila Haseler	Livestock Track: **Profitable Dairy Management** Chuck Phippen	Policy Track: **Making Local Healthy Food Accessible To Diverse Communities** Erin Summerlee and Kate Miller-Corcoran		Seed Workshop: **Seed Ethics and the 20th Anniversary of the Safe Seed Pledge** Rowen White, Margaret Roach, Steph Gaylor, Tom Stearns, and Micaela Colley
Saturday **1:00 pm - 2:15 pm**	Kitchen Track: **Traditional and Ancient Methods of Producing Beer, Ale, and Cheese in the Home** Victoria Kombol	Market Farming Track: **From the Ground Up: An Unedited Look at the Successes, Failures, and Future of a First-year Market Farm** Eric Houppert	Marketing Track: **What's in Your Milk?** Andre Brito	Vegetable Track: **Half-Day Intensive: The New Frontiers in Garlic Production** Ed Fraser, Crystal Stewart, Chris Callahan, and Brian Fox	Fruit Track: **Lessons from 30 Years of Organic Apples** Brian Caldwell	Urban Farming Track: **Community Food Forests: A New Approach to Urban Farming** Catherine Bukowski	Business Track: **Down to Brass Tacks: How much Time and Money Do You Need to Make Your Farm Work?** Andy Fellenz	Homesteading Track: **Regional Farm Planning Based on Permaculture Principles** Andrew Faust	Value-Added Track: **Co-packed Products: Opening the Market Beyond Your Farm and Kitchen** Heather Sandford	Marketing Track: **Finding your Niche and Alternative Marketing** Bob Cat Bonagura	Livestock Track: **The Art and Science of Silvopasture in the Northeast** Brett Chedzoy	Policy Track: **Creating Pesticide-free Zones in Your Community** Jay Feldman	Seed Workshop: **Half-Day Intensive: Vegetable Growers: Come Drive Breeding for Your Needs** Michael Mazourek, Emily Rodekohr, Organic Seed Alliance, Kristen Loria, and Lauren Brzozowski	Seed Workshop: **Seeds of Resistance, Resilience, and Reconciliation** Leah Penniman, Rowen White, Raul Carreon, Karen Washington, and Carolina Saavedra
Saturday **2:30 pm - 3:45 pm**	Kitchen Track: **Building Community Power and Increasing Access Within the Kitchen and Beyond** Alexis Mena	Vegetable Track: **Heat Treating Seed** Sandy Arnold, Meg McGrath, and Tom Stearns	Urban Farming Track: **The NYC Farm School** Onika Abraham		Fruit Track: **Biodynamic Fruit within a Whole Farm Organism** Hugh Williams	Vegetable Track: **Introducing the New York State Produce Safety Program** Aaron Finley	Business Track: **Farm Marketing: Selling Your Story** Daniel Prial	Value-Added Track: **Connecting to the Textile Supply Chain** Laura Sansone	Specialty Crop Track: **Grains and Sourdough English Muffins from Scratch** Amy Halloran	Marketing Track: **Work / Life Balance** Bob Cat Bonagura	Livestock Track: **Linebreeding for Optimal Farm Production** Morgan Hartman	Policy Track: **New Labels, New Concepts: What do Regenerative and Real Organic Mean?** Liana Hoodes, Dave Chapman, and Diana Martin		Seed Workshop: **Sacred Seeds in a Modern World** Rowen White, Ken Greene, Nate Kleinman, Owen Taylor, Leah Penniman, Karen Washington, Raul Carreon, Kat Chiu, Stephen McComber, and Carolina Saavedra
Saturday **4:00 pm - 5:00 pm**					Discussion Group: **Real Organic Project** Dave Chapman	Discussion Group: **Cooperative Processing Facility for Hemp** Chris Cardillo	Discussion Group: **Organic Inspections** Darren Maum and LLC	Discussion Group: **Vegetable Variety Roundtable** Pete Zuck	Discussion Group: **Farmer's Pledge** Mark Dunau and Paul Loomis	Discussion Group: **Tell Us What You Want** Bethany Wallis	Discussion Group: **Achieving a Living Wage for Farmers and Farm Workers** Elizabeth Henderson and Louis Battalen		Discussion Group: **Taste Makers: Culinary Breeding and Chef / Farmer Collaboratives** Ken Greene, Megan Larmer, Lindsay Wyatt, Michael Mazourek, Steph Gaylor, and Carolina Saavedra	

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Sunday **8:00 am - 9:15 am**		Marketing Track: **Selecting Seed Cultivars for Success** Daniel Eggert and Chris Flagg	Vegetable Track: **Planning and implementing a Winter CSA** Stephanie Roberts and Bret Morris	Vegetable Track: **Updates on Organic Onion Pest and Disease Management** Lindsy Iglesias, Brian Nault, and Frank Hay	Fruit Track: **Adding Organic Fruit to your Farm** David Ingalls	Homesteading Track: **Introduction to Home-Scale Biogas** Janice Kelsey and Kathy Puffer	Value-Added Track: **Getting Access to Capital: If I Only Had a Grant!** Kimberly LaMendola	Grain Track: **Dry Beans & The Pulses of the Planet** TBD		Value-Added Track: **Clean and Healthy NY: What the Label Doesn't Tell—Toxic Ingredients Produced by Packaging and Processing** Kathy Curtis	Livestock Track: **Organic Health Management of Livestock** Phyllis van Amburgh		Seed Workshop: **Half-Day Intensive: Commercial Seed Production** Aaron Lyons, Petra Page-Mann, and Tom Stearns	Seed Workshop: **Growing Rice in the Northeast** Christian Elwell, Ben Rooney, Dawn Hoyte, and Malick Badjie
Sunday **9:30 am - 10:45 am**		Marketing Track: **Edible Weeds** Tusha Yakovleva	Vegetable Track: **Utilizing High Tunnels for Range of Summer Crops** Zaid Kurdieh	Vegetable Track: **Why Seed Companies Drop Beloved Varieties** Heron Breen, Adrienne Shelton, Lauren Giroux, and Jan van der Heide	Business Track: **Legal Advice for Farm Businesses** Jonathan Brown and Jack Hornickel	Homesteading Track: **Homestead Success with Fertilizer from Biodigestion** Janice Kelsey and Kathy Puffer		Value-Added Track: **Responsible Food Production: Insuring for Success** Bob Bleistein	Policy Track: **NYS Marijuana Regulations: Protecting Small Farmers** Andi Novick and Ben Dobson	Livestock Track: **Practical Fence Solutions** David Kennard	Vegetable Track: **The Evolution of a Small-scale Organic Farm** Jamie Edelstein	Policy Track: **Farmland Investment: Opportunities and Considerations for Land Access** Sally Dodge, David Howard, and Dale Guldbrandsen		Seed Workshop: **Bean Magic** Stephen McComber, Owen Taylor, and Lisa Bloodnick
Sunday **10:45 am - 11:30 am**														