

Registration Form

2019 SPRING CONFERENCE

Instructions for filling out this form start on the 3rd page of this document. Please submit your payment by **check** only—payable to Organic Growers School. Mail your check and completed form to PO Box 17804 • Asheville, NC 28816.

1—CONTACT INFORMATION

Participant Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Payer's Contact Information—If Different from Participant

Payer's Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

2—CONFERENCE REGISTRATION • Saturday and Sunday, March 9–10, 2019 • 9:00–5:30 • Mars Hill University

- \$99—Saturday and Sunday**
 - \$55**—I would like to add a Friday pre-conference workshop to my Saturday and Sunday registration
- \$59—Saturday ONLY**
 - \$55**—I would like to add a Friday pre-conference workshop to my Saturday ONLY registration
- \$49—Sunday ONLY**
 - \$55**—I would like to add a Friday pre-conference workshop to my Sunday ONLY registration
- \$70—Friday Pre-conference Workshop ONLY**

3—ENTER YOUR SUBTOTAL: \$ _____

4—PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS • Friday, March 8, 2019 • 9:30–4:30 • Locations vary (see pricing above)

If you are registering for a Friday workshop, please indicate your choice:

- Finding, Buying & Loving the Land - Site Assessment & Land Design • Peter Bane**
Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center, 455 Research Drive, Mills River, NC 28759
- Integrated Animal Agriculture—Incorporating Livestock into your Farm & Homestead • Meredith Leigh**
Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy's Incubator Farm, 180 Mag Sluder Rd, Alexander NC 28701
- Water and Agriculture—Critical Consciousness for Healing the Planet • John & Jonathan Todd**
Living Web Farms, 176 Kimzey Rd, Mills River, NC 28759
- Year—Round Growing on Farm & Garden • Pam Dawling & Ira Wallace**
Creekside Farms Education Center, 339 Avery Creek Road, Arden, NC 28704

5—TRACK ESTIMATES • Please help us estimate classroom size by indicating the tracks you are most likely to attend. This is for sampling purposes only and is neither a reservation nor an obligation. Thank you for your assistance!

9:00–10:30

11:00–12:30

2:00–3:30

4:00–5:30

Saturday: _____

Sunday: _____

6—\$10 HALF-DAY WORKSHOPS • Saturday and Sunday • AM: 9:00–12:30 • PM: 2:00–5:30 • Mars Hill University

To attend these workshops, you must be registered for Saturday and/or Sunday. Each workshop is an extra \$10 in addition to your conference registration. **Please note: Sunday workshops are a REPEAT of Saturday.**

\$10—Saturday AM *circle one:*

- Cultivating Medicinal Herbs
- Veggie Ferments
- Making Paper with Appalachian Plants
- Grow Your Own Mushrooms

\$10—Saturday PM *circle one:*

- Growing Fruit & Nut Trees
- Beginning Cheese Making
- Kudzu Vine Basketry
- Equipment Operation & Maintenance for Women

\$10—Sunday AM *circle one:*

- Cultivating Medicinal Herbs
- Veggie Ferments
- Making Paper with Appalachian Plants
- Grow Your Own Mushrooms

\$10—Sunday PM *circle one:*

- Growing Fruit & Nut Trees
- Beginning Cheese Making
- Kudzu Vine Basketry
- Equipment Operation & Maintenance for Women

7—PRE-ORDER LUNCH • Skip the lines and enjoy a locally sourced and prepared lunch box from Rosetta’s Kitchen or Sweet Monkey Cafe & Bakery. Each lunch box is \$13 and includes a side, dessert, and drink of your choice.

\$13—Saturday Lunch *circle one:*

- Spinach Hand Pie–Vegan
- Goddess Bowl –Vegan
- Turkey on Rye
- BKT

\$13—Sunday Lunch *circle one:*

- Spinach Hand Pie–Vegan
- Goddess Bowl –Vegan
- Turkey on Rye

8—DONATE TO OGS • Organic Growers School is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Our registration fees don't cover our expenses. Please consider adding a tax-deductible gift to your registration. Your support is greatly appreciated.

\$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 Specific amount, \$ _____

9—ENTER YOUR TOTAL (please include SUBTOTAL from previous page): \$ _____

Registration for the 2019 Spring Conference is non-refundable. The event will be held rain, snow, or shine. The only exception is if you register for a half-day workshop, are notified that it’s full, and choose not to attend. If you are unable to attend for any other reason, we are happy to send you documentation so that your registration fee can be recorded as a tax-deductible contribution to Organic Growers School. If you have any questions, please email us at : registration@organicgrowersschool.org. By signing below, I understand and accept the terms of this registration:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Instructions for Completing this Form

1—CONTACT INFORMATION

In this section, you will provide the participant's contact information. If the payer is different than that participant, please also fill out the payer information just below the participant information.

2—CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

In this section, you will select your preferred registration.

Options

- \$59—Saturday ONLY
- \$104—Saturday ONLY + Pre-conference Workshop
- \$49—Sunday ONLY
- \$94—Sunday ONLY + Pre-conference Workshop
- \$99—Saturday and Sunday
- \$154—Saturday and Sunday + Pre-conference Workshop
- \$70—Pre-conference Workshop ONLY

Details

- Saturday—Sunday, March 9–10, 2019
- Mars Hill University, 100 Athletic St, Mars Hill, NC 28754
- 9:00–5:30 both days

Included with Conference Registration

- 150+ classes in 17 learning tracks
- Eligibility for \$10 half-day workshops
- Trade show
- Seed exchange
- Silent auction
- Saturday evening social

3—PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

If you've selected a pre-conference workshop option in Section 2: Conference Registration, in this section you'll select the workshop you'd like to attend.

Finding, Buying, & Loving the Land— Site Assessment & Land Design for Farmers, Homesteaders, and Land Seekers

Peter Bane

DESCRIPTION: Learn what the realtors, developers, and sellers won't tell you. In this all-day workshop, we will develop land literacy through a permaculture lens, learning a sophisticated set of tools for assessment and design. Invaluable whether you are planning to buy land or want to assess and learn how to work land you already own. We come at this from three directions: Finding the

Land; Buying the Land; and Loving the Land. Invaluable if you are buying or developing land.

DETAILS

- Mountain Horticultural Crops Research and Extension Center, 455 Research Drive, Mills River, NC 28759
- Friday, March 8, 2019, 9:30–4:30
- \$55 with conference registration, \$70 without

Integrated Animal Agriculture—Incorporating Livestock into your Farm & Homestead

Meredith Leigh

DESCRIPTION: Two drastic results, over the last 50 years, of taking the animals off the farm, have been confinement animal feeding operations (CAFO's) and massive use of chemical fertilizer (for plants). Livestock production was historically integrated on the same farms that grew vegetable crops. These elegant systems provided a closed loop for animal, plant, and human nutrients that cannot be replicated in any other way. The solution to environmental and economic disasters? Bring the animals back to the farm and homestead! Join author, farmer, butcher, and activist Meredith Leigh and learn to re-integrate plant and animal agriculture, on the homestead or the commercial farm. The day-long workshop consists of these components: 1. Designing your Integrated System; 2. Building Your Soil; 3. Tools & Skills Development. Get started with animals now!

DETAILS

- Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy's Incubator Farm Education Center, 180 Mag Sluder Road, Alexander NC 28701
- Friday, March 9, 2018, 9:30 to 4:30
- \$55 with conference registration, \$70 without

Water & Agriculture—Critical Consciousness for Healing the Planet

John & Jonathan Todd

DESCRIPTION: The availability, quality, and integration of water in food production is an overlooked yet central feature of food systems. Participants will learn the application of methods the Todd's have used worldwide - from rehabilitating city sewage treatment to creating resiliency on entire islands - living machines, polycultures, restorative riparian and aquatic native plants, beneficial

fungi, and animal life. This full day workshop offers a unique opportunity to sit with both the hope and the complexity of the future facing our planet, and walk away with tangible examples for healing ecosystems, either at the farm scale, or much larger.

DETAILS

- Living Web Farms, 176 Kimzey Rd, Mills River, NC 28759
- Friday, March 9, 2018, 9:30 to 4:30
- \$55 with conference registration, \$70 without

Year-Round Growing on the Farm & Garden

Pam Dawling & Ira Wallace

DESCRIPTION: Join experienced vegetable, herb, and seed growers Pam Dawling & Ira Wallace for a step-by-step approach to growing year-round. Learn the tools to manage space effectively, grow the quantities of crops when you want them, and efficiently meet your growing goals. The workshop will cover 1. Defining Your Market; 2. Season Extension; 3. Temperature Resilience; and 4. Crop Rotation.

DETAILS

- Creekside Farms Education Center, 339 Avery Creek Road, Arden, NC 28704
- Friday, March 8, 2019, 9:30–4:30
- \$55 with conference registration, \$70 without

4—ENTER SUBTOTAL

In this section, enter your subtotal from section 2—CONFERENCE REGISTRATION. You will add this number to section 9—ENTER YOUR TOTAL on the last page of the registration form.

5—TRACK ESTIMATES

In this section, please indicate the track you are most likely to attend for each 90-minute session. This helps us estimate classroom size. Please note that this is for sampling purposes only and is neither a reservation nor an obligation. Please visit <https://organicgrowersschool.org/conferences/spring/schedule/> to see the most up-to-date schedule which is organized by the following tracks...

1. Community Food
2. Cooking
3. Earth Skills
4. Farmers: Beginning
5. Farmers: Experienced
6. Gardening
7. Herbs
8. Homesteading
9. Livestock

10. Mushrooms
11. Permaculture
12. Pollinators
13. Poultry
14. Soils
15. Sustainable Forestry
16. Sustainable Living
17. Thinking Big

6—\$10 HALF-DAY WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

In this section—if you are registering for Saturday and/or Sunday classes—you may add Half-Day Workshops to your registration for \$10 each. Please note, Sunday workshops are a repeat of Saturday.

Cultivating Medicinal Herbs

Noelle Fuller

Learn to cultivate, harvest and use five medicinal herbs that grow well in the Southeast. We'll cover the intricate offerings of Holy basil, Hibiscus, Lemongrass, Stinging Nettle, and Lemon Balm. Learn techniques for tea blending and create your own tea blend to take home.

Grow Your Own Mushrooms

William Padilla-Brown

Growing your own mushrooms can be simple and fun! Learn the basics of mushroom cultivation, explore variety selection and their financial and ecological assets. Get hands-on experience with mycelium through trying various inoculation techniques, and take home your own mushroom spawn to get started on your own.

Making Paper with Appalachian Plants

Alyssa Sacora

Make your own paper with plants that grow in your backyard! Learn about plant fibers, harvesting, and pulp preparation; familiarize yourself with low-tech equipment you can use at home; and best of all, make and take home your own plant-based paper.

Vegetable Ferments

Marissa Percoco

Hands-on demonstration of fermenting from start to finish including each of the four basic vegetable preservation methods. Fermentation is one of the oldest forms of food preservation; empower yourself to bypass the need for refrigeration and learn these ancient food ways.

Beginning Cheese Making

Christina Gordon

Learn cheese making basics: milk acquisition, storage, supplies, sanitation, cultures, rennet, curd. Also pressing

and preparation for aging. Four different types: fresh chevre, waxed/aged, washed rind, and bloomy rind cheeses. Make and taste fresh mozzarella from local goats milk.

Equipment Operation & Maintenance for Women

Meagan Coneybeer Roberts

Female-centered instruction on the use and maintenance of large farm equipment, chain saws, and power tools. Learn to safely and proficiently operate equipment in a relaxed and supportive environment where beginning to intermediate students can hone their skills.

Growing Fruit & Nut Trees

James Geoffery Steen

Plant and maintain your own fruit and nut trees, whether in the backyard or on the farm. Covers: varieties of edible bushes, vines, and trees from A to Z; pruning and training young fruit trees; and grafting apples to take home.

Kudzu Vine Basketry

Jeff Gottlieb

Make beautiful use of this prolific weed! Split mature kudzu vines, prepare fibers, and weave a unique, elegant, and useful basket. Go home with more knowledge about different ways to use this fast-growing invasive and a basket of your own.

7— PRE-ORDER LUNCH

In this section, please let us know if you'd like to pre-order lunch. Skip the lines and enjoy a locally sourced and prepared lunch box from Gypsy Queen or Sweet Monkey Cafe & Bakery (same menu both days). Lunch is \$13 per day and includes a side, dessert, and drink.

Non-Vegetarian Options from Sweet Monkey

- **Turkey on Rye**—House-Roasted turkey breast on Homemade Rye with Baby Kale, Tomatoes, Housemade Cranberry Apricot Chutney and Mayo with the Roasted Potato Salad in a Lemon Creole Mustard dressing. Water and Snickerdoodle cookie. (Sweet Monkey)
- **BKT**—Applewood smoked bacon, baby kale and tomatoes on homemade wheat and mayo. With roasted potato salad in a lemon Creole mustard dressing and a snickerdoodle cookie. (Sweet Monkey)

Vegan Options from Gypsy Queen

- **Spinach Hand Pie**—with cauliflower tabouli salad. LaCroix sparkling water and a tangerine. (Gypsy Queen)

- **Goddess Bowl**— Wild Rice medley, tofu, roasted brussels sprouts & cauliflower, mixed greens, goddess dressing. LaCroix sparkling water and a tangerine. (Gypsy Queen)

8—DONATE TO ORGANIC GROWERS SCHOOL

In this optional section, you may select or enter an amount to donate to Organic Growers School, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Our registration fees don't cover our expenses, and your tax-deductible gift helps us to educate, inspire, and support farmers, gardeners, and homesteaders to grow, eat, and live organically. 2019 is our 26th anniversary. Please considering donating \$25 for our 25th. Your support is greatly appreciated.

9—ENTER YOUR TOTAL

In this section, please enter your total from the following sections:

- 3—ENTER YOUR SUBTOTAL
- 6—\$10 HALF-DAY WORKSHOP REGISTRATION
- 7—PRE-ORDER LUNCH
- 8—DONATE TO ORGANIC GROWERS SCHOOL

FINAL STEP—SIGN AND SUBMIT

Please submit your payment by **check** only—made payable to Organic Growers School. Mail your check and completed form to:

OGS Spring Conference Registration
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Asheville, NC 28816