

18TH ANNUAL **SMALL FARM CONFERENCE**



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NOVEMBER 5 - 6, 2021

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- UMES field demonstrations
 - Off-site farm bus tours
 - Interactive workshops
 - Afternoon training clinics
- and more!

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021

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| 9:00 AM | Small Farm Conference Registration Begins | |
| 10:00 - 11:30 AM | UMES Farm Demonstrations (Off-campus) UMES Research and Education Farm 10789 Stewart Neck Road Princess Anne, MD 21853 Specialty Ethnic Crop Production Culinary and Medicinal Herbs | UMES Farm Demonstrations (On-campus) UMES Campus Farm 30925 College Backbone Road Princess Anne, MD 21853 UMES Orchard Tour Sheep & Goat Management & Animal Care |
| 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Lunch and Networking (Informal) | |
| | Off-Site Farm Bus Tours* | |
| 1:30 - 4:30 PM | Chesterfield Heirlooms Learn how this 12-acre market garden has developed new marketing strategies to expand its customer base. Coops to Co-ops Learn how you can repurpose abandoned chicken house structures, turning them into a beautiful farmers market area. | San Domingo Community Learn what remains of the settlement, including the history, culture, and self-sufficient farming practices. Wood Duck Landing Farm Learn how this small family farm has come up with alternative solutions to expand its market sales. |

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021

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| 8:30 AM | Registration Open - Exhibits Set-up | | |
| | Seminars Topics (under each track theme) | | |
| | Alternative Agriculture | Farm Business & Management | Sustainable Farming Solutions |
| BREAKOUT - 1 9:00 - 10:15 AM | The Power of Aronia Dr. Victoria Volkis (UMES) Dr. Andrew Ristvey (UMD) | Know Your Cost to Grow Tanya Murray, Farm Viability Specialist (Oregon Tilth) | Reducing Cross-Contamination between Animals and Produce Drs. Salina Parveen, Fawzy Hashem, Melinda Schwarz |
| | 15 min Intermediate Break | | |
| BREAKOUT - 2 10:30 - 11:45 PM | Funding Opportunities for Farmers Karen Fedor, MDA Nevin Dawson, NE SARE Bruce Weaver, USDA RD | Farm Labor Management Ellis Collier, Senior Legal Research Associate for ALEI (UMES) Sarah Everhart, ALEI (UMD) | Strategizing Farm Business to Meet Consumer Buying Trends Debra Moser, Owner Central Farm Markets |
| 11:45 - 12:30 PM | Exhibitor/Vendor Visitation | USDA Listening Session | |
| 12:30 - 1:30 PM | Luncheon & Keynote Speaker Dr. Dewayne Goldman, USDA Senior Advisor for Racial Equity | | |
| AFTERNOON TRAINING CLINICS* 1:45 - 3:30 PM | Farmer Grant Writing Workshop Instructors: Karen Fedor and Nevin Dawson | Value Added Workshop and Demonstration Instructors: Dr. Nadine Burton and Chef Shawn Lightfoot, Co-founder of Fresh Food Factory Kitchen Incubator LLC | |

* Pre-registration for Friday's off-site farm tours and Saturday's afternoon training clinics is required. Space is limited.
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