THURSDAY - Registration hours 7:30 am - 8:00 pm

WORKSHOPS
8:30 - 5:00 Produce Safety Workshop, Meeting Room: San Gabriel J
9:00 - Noon Preparing for and Accessing Credit for your Farm, Meeting Room: San Gabriel K
1:00 - 4:00 Dynamic Marketing with Keynote Speaker Michael Abelman, Meeting Room: San Gabriel G
1:30 - 4:30 Upping Your Record Keeping Game, Meeting Room: San Gabriel H

FARM TOURS (off-site)
9:00 - Noon Permaculture Workshop & Farm Tour
1:00 - 3:00 Belle Vie Farm Tour

EVENING ACTIVITIES
5:00 - 7:00 Welcome Reception in the Exhibitor Area
7:00 - 8:00 Annual Seed Swap

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8:15 - 9:45 Breakfast & Opening Plenary - Updates from Around the State!
Dr. Alex Racelis (UTRGV), Dr. Mike Morris (NCAT), Dr. Ken Mix (TX State), Dr. Ronnie Schnell (TAMU)

9:45-10:00 Break

Session 1
10:00-11:15 Small-Scale, Local Grains & Milling - Butch Tindall
Value-Added Processing for Farmers - Jonathan Hogan, Sue Beckwith
Marketing Small Ruminants for Meat - Ty Wolosin
Season Extension - Jamey Gage
Farmland Preservation - Blair Fitzsimmons, Kyle Garmany

11:15 - 1:00 Lunch & Regional Meetings (Friday lunch is included in your registration.)

Session 2
1:00-2:15 Pest Management in Organically-Grown Strawberries - Russ Wallace
Direct Marketing or Wholesale: Which is the best for you? - Andrew Puglia, Margaret Smith, Dana Tomlin, Adrienne Haschke
Managing Healthy Poultry Flocks - Kevin Ellis
Soil & Water Conservation for your Garden or Small Farm - Kirby Fry
Food Access - Carolina Mueller, Patrick Lillard, Clarice Criss

2:15-2:30 Break

Session 3
2:45 - 4:00 Applied Weed Ecology & Practical Weed Control - Steve Diver
Show me the Money - Nelson Daniels, Bertha Venegas, Tim Traister, Jarred Maxwell
Regulations Compliance for Livestock Farming - JoAnn Smotherman
Heirloom Allium Bulb Saving & Seed Saving - Tim Miller
Activism at the Local Level - Adrienne Haschke, Sara Albert

4:15 - 5:30 TOFGA Member Meeting

6:00-9:00 Banquet Dinner & Keynote Address by Michael Abelman

9:00 Silent Auction Ends!

9:00-10:00 Farm & Food Trivia Night! You could win a subscription to Growing for Market magazine!

SATURDAY
7:30 AM Registration opens

Session 4
8:15 - 9:30 Cover Crops in Organic Row Cropping Systems - Jake Mowrer
Multi-farm CSA: A Cooperative Model - Annelies Lottmann, Frankie Bayne, Diana Padilla
The Regenerative Pasture - Joseph Van Dyck
Biodynamic & Regenerative Farming for the Future - Errol Schweizer
Farm Bill 2018 - Scott Marlow, Judith McGeeary, Sara Albert

9:30-10:00 Break

Session 5
10:00-11:15 Low-Cost Post-Harvest Infrastructure Tools & Designs - Billy Mitchell, Todd Ettreim
Farmers Markets - Amanda Vanhoozier, Alex Canepa
Pasture-Raised Turkeys: High Risk & Big Rewards - Travis P. Krause
Urban Agriculture - Michael Abelman
A Skeptic's Guide to Crop Insurance - Mike Morris, Scott Marlow

11:15 - 1:00 Join a shared interest meeting: Food Hubs, NRCS Resources Explained, and Universities & Colleges. Meeting rooms listed at registration desk. Saturday lunch not included in registration.

Session 6
1:00-2:15 Crop Planning - Rebecca Hume
Growing Farm Profits: Risk Management Tools - Stephen Carpenter, Carlos Lago
Economics of Raising Pastured Pork - Michael Marchand
Cultivate a Successful Community Garden - Sari Albornoz
Food Systems from the Farmer View: USDA Food LINC in Texas - Sue Beckwith, Ava Cameron, Rebekka Dudensing

2:15-2:30 Break

Session 7
2:30 - 3:45 Soil Testing & Mineral Balancing to Produce Nutrient-Dense Crops - Steve Diver
Online in 2018: Where You Need To Be - James Buratti, Ada Broussard
Land Leasing & Acquisition to Start Your Ranch - Josh Eilers
Backyard & Small Scale Composting - John Ferguson
Ag Valuation - David Braun, Scott Howard, Glenda Beasley