

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				
Topic Tracks	Crops	Business & Marketing	Livestock	Garden & Homesteading	Food Systems & Policy
FRIDAY - Registration Opens at 7:30 am					
8:15 - 9:45	Breakfast & Opening Plenary - Updates from Around the State! <i>Dr. Alex Racelis (UTRGV), Dr. Mike Morris (NCAT), Dr. Ken Mix (TX State), Dr. Ronnie Schnell (TAMU)</i>				
9:45-10:00	Break				
Session 1 10:00-11:15	Small-Scale, Local Grains & Milling - <i>Butch Tindall</i>	Value-Added Processing for Farmers - <i>Jonathan Hogan, Sue Beckwith</i>	Marketing Small Ruminants for Meat - <i>Ty Wolosin</i>	Season Extension - <i>Jamey Gage</i>	Farmland Preservation - <i>Blair Fitzsimmons, Kyle Garmany</i>
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 - <i>Russ Wallace</i>	Direct Marketing or Wholesale: Which is the best for you? - <i>Andrew Puglia, Margaret Smith, Dana Tomlin, Adrienne Haschke</i>	Managing Healthy Poultry Flocks - <i>Kevin Ellis</i>	Soil & Water Conservation for your Garden or Small Farm - <i>Kirby Fry</i>	Food Access - <i>Carolina Mueller, Patrick Lillard, Clarice Criss</i>
2:15-2:30	Break				
Session 3 2:45 - 4:00	Applied Weed Ecology & Practical Weed Control - <i>Steve Diver</i>	Show me the Money - <i>Nelson Daniels, Bertha Venegas, Tim Traister, Jarred Maxwell</i>	Regulations Compliance for Livestock Farming - <i>JoAnn Smotherman</i>	Heirloom Allium Bulb Saving & Seed Saving - <i>Tim Miller</i>	Activism at the Local Level - <i>Adrienne Haschke, Sara Albert</i>
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 <i>Growing for Market</i> magazine!				
SATURDAY					
7:30 AM	Registration opens				
Session 4 8:15 - 9:30	Cover Crops in Organic Row Cropping Systems - <i>Jake Mowrer</i>	Multi-farm CSA: A Cooperative Model - <i>Annelies Lottmann, Frankie Bayne, Diana Padilla</i>	The Regenerative Pasture - <i>Joseph Van Dyck</i>	Biodynamic & Regenerative Farming for the Future - <i>Errol Schweizer</i>	Farm Bill 2018 - <i>Scott Marlow, Judith McGeary, Sara Albert</i>
9:30-10:00	Break				
Session 5 10:00-11:15	Low-Cost Post-Harvest Infrastructure Tools & Designs - <i>Billy Mitchell, Todd Eittreim</i>	Farmers Markets - <i>Amanda Vanhoozier, Alex Canepa</i>	Pasture-Raised Turkeys: High Risk & Big Rewards - <i>Travis P. Krause</i>	Urban Agriculture - <i>Michael Abelman</i>	A Skeptic's Guide to Crop Insurance - <i>Mike Morris, Scott Marlow</i>
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 - <i>Rebecca Hume</i>	Growing Farm Profits: Risk Management Tools - <i>Stephen Carpenter, Carlos Lago</i>	Economics of Raising Pastured Pork - <i>Michael Marchand</i>	Cultivate a Successful Community Garden - <i>Sari Albornoz</i>	Food Systems from the Farmer View: USDA Food LINC in Texas - <i>Sue Beckwith, Ava Cameron, Rebekka Dudensing</i>
2:15-2:30	Break				
Session 7 2:30 - 3:45	Soil Testing & Mineral Balancing to Produce Nutrient-Dense Crops - <i>Steve Diver</i>	Online in 2018: Where You Need To Be - <i>James Buratti, Ada Broussard</i>	Land Leasing & Acquisition to Start Your Ranch - <i>Josh Eilers</i>	Backyard & Small Scale Composting - <i>John Ferguson</i>	Ag Valuation - <i>David Braun, Scott Howard, Glenda Beasley</i>