

# Guelph Organic Conference 2020

**Thursday, January 23rd, 2020**

9:00 am - 4:15 pm	<p>Organic Cropping Forum</p> <p><i>Main Speaker: Katherine Stanley    Panelists: Ruth Knight, Rob Wallbridge, Harro Wehrmann</i></p> <p><i>*Location - Peter Clark Hall, Lower Level of Guelph University Centre</i></p>
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**Friday, January 24th, 2020**

9:00 am - 12:00 pm	<p>Fine-Tuning Organic Crop Production</p> <p><i>Greg Dineen &amp; Dean Martin</i></p>	<p>10 Essentials of Organic Orchard Management</p> <p><i>Pat Johnson</i></p>
1:15 pm - 4:15 pm	<p>Secrets of Success &amp; Challenges of Large Scale Production</p> <p><i>Katherine Stanley, Marc Schiller</i></p>	<p>Creating an Upward Spiral in Plant Health</p> <p><i>Owen Goltz</i></p>
4:15 pm - 7:15 pm	<p>Organic Food &amp; Wine Dinner</p>	

**Trade Show**

Saturday 9am - 5:30pm    Sunday 10am to 4pm    \*Don't miss the Basement Level featuring over 80 booths!

**Saturday, January 25th, 2020**

	Organic Crop Production & Development		Economics of Transition & Maintaining Organic Production	Livestock Options for Small Farms	How to Work with a Planting Calendar	Permaculture & Urban Visions
9:00 am - 10:00 am	<p>Endophytes &amp; Their Interaction with Plant Diseases</p> <p><i>Harro Wehrmann</i></p>	<b>Canadian Organic Growers Series</b>	<p>Economics of Transition &amp; Maintaining Organic Production</p> <p><i>Valerie Yoder</i></p>	<p>Livestock Options for Small Farms</p> <p><i>Fran &amp; Katrina McQuail</i></p>	<p>How to Work with a Planting Calendar</p> <p><i>Kathryn Auger</i></p>	<p>Permaculture - A Quiet Revolution in Community Food Forests</p> <p><i>Nicola Thomas</i></p>
10:30 am - 11:45 am	<p>Avoiding Field Crop Disasters</p> <p><i>Greg Dineen</i></p>		<p>Market Access In Organics - If You Buy It, I'll Grow It</p> <p><i>Tom Manley</i></p>	<p>Buying Animals: Where to Buy, What to Look For, Diseases to Avoid</p> <p><i>Talia Fletcher</i></p>	<p>Ecological Maintenance Principles for Established Orchards</p> <p><i>Lorne Jamieson</i></p>	<p>From Home to Homestead: How to Grow Your Own Urban Farm</p> <p><i>Marc Green, Arlene Hazzan Green</i></p>
1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	<p>Integrated Weed Management - Strategies &amp; Solutions</p> <p><i>Rob Wallbridge</i></p>		<p>Soil Health - From Sustainable to Regenerative</p> <p><i>Sarah Hargreaves</i></p>	<p>Food Sovereignty - There's an App for that!</p> <p><i>Theresa Schumilas</i></p>	<p>Organic Orchard &amp; Vineyard Methods - Why I Returned to Biodynamics</p> <p><i>Pat Johnson</i></p>	<p>How to Harvest &amp; Prepare Perennial Vegetables at Home</p> <p><i>Ben Caesar</i></p>
3:30 pm - 4:45 pm	<p>Is Your Soil Just Dirt?</p> <p><i>Mike Nuttall</i></p>		<p>Farmers Working Together to Solve Problems</p> <p><i>Eric Payseur &amp; Hida Manns</i></p>	<p>A Journey from the Soil to the Soul</p> <p><i>Jaspal Chattha</i></p>	<p>Moveable Greenhouses &amp; Tunnels - Protecting Your Investments</p> <p><i>Norm Eygenraam</i></p>	<p>Permaculture in the Burbs - Retrofitting the Suburbs for an Abundant Future</p> <p><i>Rebecca Ellis</i></p>

**Sunday, January 26th, 2020**

	Growing & Marketing Organic Crops		Beekeeping & Pollination	It's a Big Organic World Out There
9:00 am - 10:00 am	<p>Organic Maple Syrup Production 202 - Correcting 1st Year Mistakes</p> <p><i>Terry Hoover &amp; Kevin Snyder</i></p>	<p>On-Farm Experiences - Tours, Local Food Events, Farm Gate Sales &amp; More</p> <p><i>Panel Discussion</i></p>	<p>Building Resilience in Bees with Medicinal Plants</p> <p><i>Fran Freeman</i></p>	<p>Gardening for Cancer Prevention</p> <p><i>Kerry Hackett</i></p>
10:30 am - 11:30 am	<p>Growing Switchgrass on the Organic Farm</p> <p><i>Roger Samson</i></p>	<p>How Farmers Can Profitably Work with Chefs</p> <p><i>David Cohlmeier</i></p>	<p>Sustainable Urban Beekeeping</p> <p><i>Rick Pacini</i></p>	<p>My Food is Organic - Why Isn't My House?</p> <p><i>Sally Miller &amp; Melinda Zytaruk</i></p>
12:45 pm - 1:45 pm	<p>Introduction to KeyLine Farming</p> <p><i>Gerald Poechman</i></p>	<p>Lessons Learned on a Bio-Diverse, Interplanted Farm (6 years later)</p> <p><i>Pat Kozowyk</i></p>	<p>Develop &amp; Expand Your Small Apiary - A Panel Discussion</p> <p><i>Fran Freeman, Rick Pacini &amp; Speaker to be finalized</i></p>	<p>Organic Crops for Containers, Rooftops &amp; Other Small Spaces</p> <p><i>Lara Mrosovsky</i></p>
2:15 pm - 3:15 pm	<p>Organic Farmers: Strategies for Coping with Mental &amp; Financial Stress</p> <p><i>Sophia Clark &amp; Tom Manley</i></p>	<p>Organic Food Packaging - Do It Right the First Time</p> <p><i>Colleen McLaughlin</i></p>	<p>Increasing Farm Yields with Wild Pollinator &amp; Beneficial Insect Habitat</p> <p><i>Jeff Thompson</i></p>	<p>China's Organic Sector - Comparison to Canada</p> <p><i>Steffanie Scott &amp; Zhenzhong Si</i></p>