

Earth Day Event sponsored by LPL: “Urban Agriculture: London's Food Future”

Aims of this event:

- To educate Londoners on the current state and future potential of Urban Agriculture in the City of London
- To serve as a public engagement opportunity for city staff to collect citizen input on the vision, goals, policies, by-laws and best practices of Urban Agriculture in the City of London

Conference themes:

- Urban Agriculture Policy for Municipalities
- The Politics of Urban Agriculture
- The Economics of Urban Agriculture
- Appropriate Technology for Urban Agriculture
- The Role of Fruit and Nut Trees in Urban Agriculture
- The Role of Animals in Urban Agriculture

Date: April 23rd, Saturday, blocked time at the library 9-5.

Space: Wolf Hall, Stevenson Hunt room, Hallways

Organizing committee: ACE (lead: Gabor Sass); AAC (lead: Skylar Franke); TFAC (lead: Amber Cantell), London Public Library (lead: Anita Christopher-McCallum), City Staff (lead: Leif Maitland), City Councillor (lead: Tanya Park)

Flow of the day: (10 to 3 pm)

- 10:00 introductions
- 10:10-10:45 plenary speaker
- 10:45-11 break
- 11-12 breakout sessions (two speakers in Stevenson Hunt)
- 12-1 lunch (show Urban Ag documentary on London in Wolf Hall)
- 1-2 breakout session (two speakers in Stevenson Hunt)
- 2-3 panel discussion

Budget:

- London Public Library is sponsoring this event so there will be no fees for the use of facility
- ACE, AAC, TFAC are proposing to use part of their budgets for bringing in guest speakers
- City Hall, City Councillors might be potential financial sponsors of this event
- Also looking for other direct and in-kind support for speakers as well as refreshments and lunch