

Urban Agriculture Conference: “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 forum for public engagement and empowerment to move the agenda of Urban Agriculture forward

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: November 19th, Saturday, blocked time at the library will be 9-5.

Space: Wolf Hall, Stevenson Hunt room, Hallways

Organizing committee: Sarah Brooks (ACE), Skylar Franke (AAC), Susan Hall (ACE), Gabor Sass (ACE), Diane Szoller (ACE), Maureen Temme (Citizen-at-large)

Flow of the day: (10 to 3 pm)

- 10:00 introductions
- 10:10-10:45 plenary speaker (Big picture comments on Urban Ag)
- 10:45-11 break
- 11-12 breakout sessions (3 sessions, each with two speakers and a facilitator)
 - Appropriate Technology for Urban Agriculture
 - The Economics of Urban Agriculture
 - The Role of Fruit and Nut Trees in Urban Agriculture
- 12-1 lunch (in foyer and in Organic Oscars)
- 1-2 breakout session (3 sessions, each with two speakers and a facilitator)
 - Urban Agriculture Policy for Municipalities
 - The Role of Animals in Urban Agriculture
 - The Politics of Urban Agriculture
- 2-3 Wrap-up with panel discussion (facilitated by Urban League of London)

Budget:

- London Public Library is sponsoring this event so there will be no fees for the use of facility
- ACE (Council approved \$800 to be used for this event)
- 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