

October Urban Agriculture Month 2022

Description

October Urban Agriculture Month Kickoff
Saturday, October 1, 2022
10:00am – 1:00pm at Arlington Central Library

- **Keynote Speaker: Joe Guthrie, Commissioner, Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services**
- **Arlington County October Urban Agriculture Month Proclamation**
  - Arlington County Board Members Matt de Ferranti & Libby Garvey
- **Roundtable 1: Maximizing Food Production in Arlington County**
  - Moderator: Becky Halbe, FOUA Board Member
  - Sue Howell, Plot Against Hunger Garden
  - David Smith, Plot Against Hunger Garden at St. Andrews
  - Andy Vereyken – Highlands Urban Garden



- **Roundtable 2: Urban Ag as Economic Development in Arlington – Present and Future**
  - Introductions by Kim Haun, Arlington County Urban Agriculture, and moderated by David Sachs, FOUA Board Member
  - Fresh Impact Farms – Cody Godfrey
  - Area 2 Farms – Nate Arias
  - Roots ‘n Shoots – Paula Burdette

12:00pm – 1:00pm – Garden Talk Tables – mini-presentations from the weekly Wednesday Garden Talks at Central Library



Volunteer

Plot Against Hunger Produce Bagging Center at Rock Spring Church, Mondays & Thursday 1:00pm – 3:00pm, need baggers and drivers. Returning volunteers signup. New volunteers signup.

Gleaning at local farms every Tuesday in October, need gleaners and drivers. Returning volunteers signup. New volunteers signup.

Additional Events!

- Oct 2: Area 2 Farms Open House – 1:00pm (open houses every first Sunday of the month)
- Oct 7: Leave the Leaves! and Other Beneficial Composting Practices, 10:00am – 11:30am online
- Oct 9: Leave the Leaves . . . There's No Place Like Home – Kid's event!, 10:30am – 11:30am at Fairlington Community Center

- Oct 13; Arlington Food Security Task Force report release
- Oct 22: Tour of Highlands Urban Garden, 9:00am – 11:00am
- Oct 23: End of Season Care for Gardening Tools, 11:15am – 12:15pm at Small Space Garden, Fairlington Community Center
- Oct 25 – 26: Controlled Environment Agriculture Summit in Danville, VA
- Oct 28: Browsers of the Garden Buffet: Strategies for Dealing with Deer, 10:00am – 11:30am online
- Oct 29: Bee Day at the Ball-Sellers House from 1:00pm – 4:00pm. Virginia Johnson, author of ***Virginia Honey: A Sweet History*** is keynote speaker
- Oct dates: Master Food Volunteers Ways to Prevent Food Waste

Harvest festivals in October

- Oct. 8: Dreaming Out Loud's The Farm at Kelly Miller Fall Festival, 10:00am – 2:00pm
- Oct. 15: Fairlington Fall Festival, 11:30am – 2:30pm
- Oct 16: Arcadia Farm Funtacular, 1:00pm – 4:00pm
- Oct. 22: Fall Frolic, Lee-Fendall House, Alexandria, 10:00am – 3:00pm
- Oct. 22 & 23: Mt. Vernon Fall Festival, 9:00am – 5:00pm

All through the month of October:

Visit local Famers Markets Arlington has three year-round markets and seven seasonal markets that you can visit during the month of October. **Find your local market here**

Visit the Fairlington Small Spaces Garden and Plant Clinic and the Fairlington Farmer's Market at the same time, Sundays 9-11. Location: 3308 S. Stafford St., Arlington, VA 22206

Visit the **Organic Vegetable Demonstration Garden at Potomac Overlook Regional Park**
Any Wednesday in October from 8:30am – 10:30am. Location: 2845 N. Marcey Road, Arlington VA 22207

Extension Master Gardener Help Desk is open to the public. Staffed daily between 9 and 12 pm, the Help Desk can answer questions about weeds, pest management and Identification, plant disease and identification of environmental or site management challenges to plant health. Located at the Fairlington Community Center 3308 S. Stafford St. Arlington VA 22312 PHONE: 703 228 6414. Email questions and photos to: Extension Experts at mgarlalex@gmail.com.

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