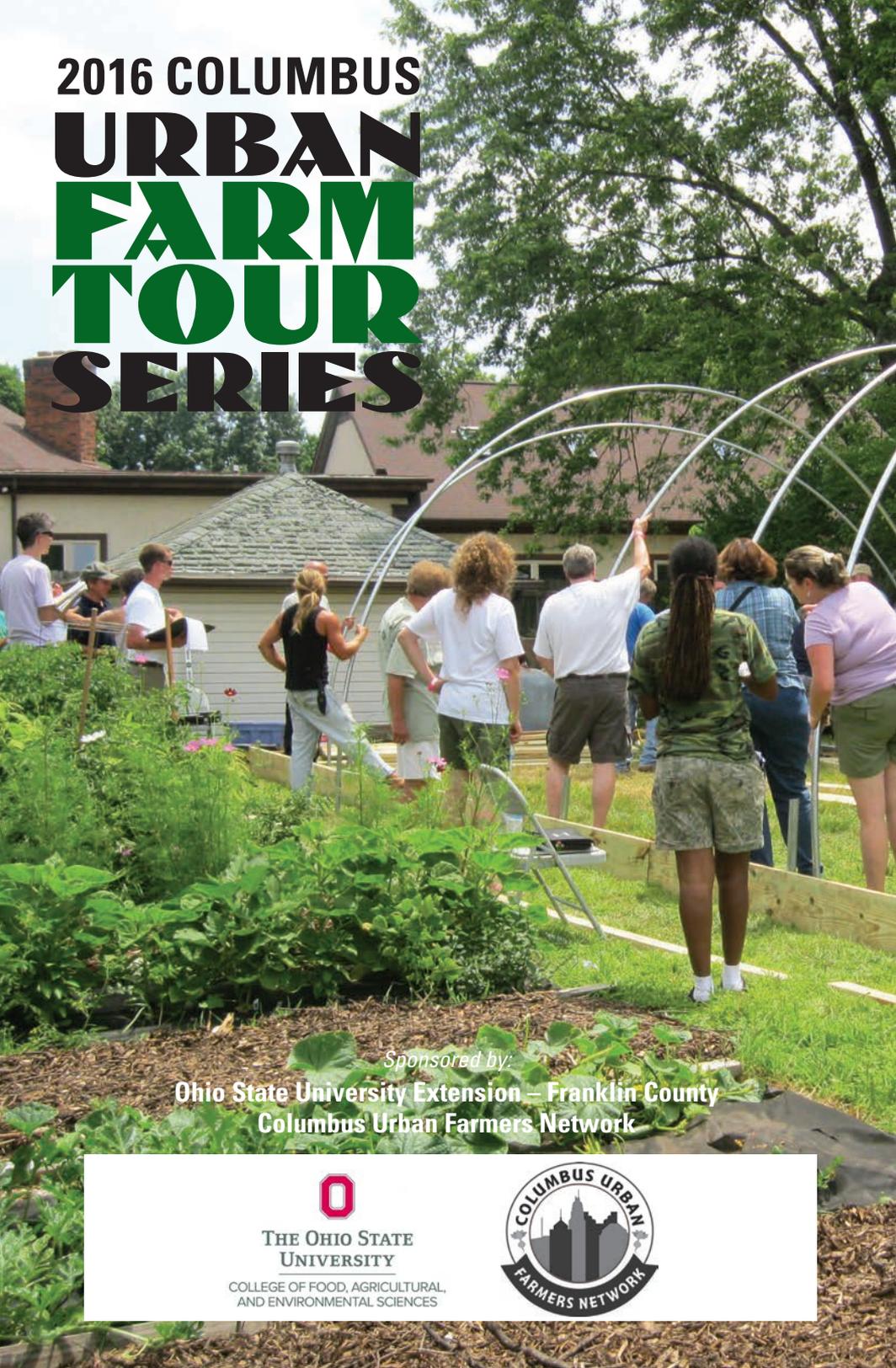


2016 COLUMBUS URBAN FARM TOUR SERIES



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The Columbus Urban Farm Tour Series is a joint project sponsored by the Franklin County Office of Ohio State University Extension, and the Columbus Urban Farmers Network. The goal of the Columbus Urban Farm Tour Series tours is to demonstrate to the general public the many benefits of urban farms in Columbus.

There is no fee or advance registration required to participate in these tours which are open to the public. Farm tours will be held rain or shine and participants should dress accordingly.

For more information about the Columbus Urban Farm Tour Series, contact Mike Hogan at OSU Extension at 614.866.6900 or hogan.1@osu.edu.

OSU Extension is the outreach arm of the OSU College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. OSU Extension conducts applied research and educational programs in agriculture and natural resources; community development; 4-H youth development; and family and consumer sciences. For more information about OSU Extension programs in Franklin County, go to: franklin.osu.edu.

The Columbus Urban Farmers Network is an alliance of urban farms and food producers in Columbus. The goal of the network is to strengthen and expand the local food system by producing food in urban areas of Columbus.





Urban Fruit and Vegetable Production and Marketing Tour

Saturday, July 30 • 2 – 4 p.m.

Franklinton Gardens

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Franklinton Gardens is a nonprofit urban farm in the Franklinton community of Columbus. Franklinton Gardens maintains a mosaic of urban food production gardens that total just over 2.5 acres, including multiple market gardens, a perennial fruit tree nursery, a raspberry patch, a micro-greens grow room, a community garden, and a neighborhood produce stand. Franklinton Garden's goal is to demonstrate that urban agriculture can be a cornerstone of a healthy urban food system by showcasing high output gardens and inspiring others to garden to strengthen household food security and the local food economy. This tour will focus on ten gardens that contribute the bulk of Franklinton Gardens' annual fruit and vegetable production. Guests will see four high tunnels, a seedling start house, drip irrigation systems, and a produce rinse and refrigeration area.

Directions: *From Rte. 315 S*, take the Rich/Town St. exit and continue south to the Rich St. intersection. Turn right on Rich St. *From Rte. 315 N*, take the Rich/Town St. exit and continue north to the Town St. intersection. Turn left on Town St. Continue to Martin Ave. Turn left on Martin Ave. Park near Martin Ave. and Rich St. and walk west to 909 W. Rich St.

Large-Scale Urban Farm Tour

Saturday, August 6 • 2-4 p.m.

Clarfield Farm

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Urban Farms of Central Ohio, an initiative of the Mid-Ohio Foodbank, transforms vacant and underutilized sites in underserved neighborhoods into productive, sustainable urban farms that provide low-income, food insecure residents increased access to fresh, local produce. Tour Clarfield Farm, the initiative's first project, which has been fully transformed into a thriving year-round farm with three high tunnel structures. The farm operates on three acres of land at a vacant elementary school property in the Marion-Franklin neighborhood, selling a portion of its crops directly to local restaurants and at a farmers' market. In turn, this supports their ability to feed the neighborhood through a pay-what-you-can farm stand.

Directions: From I-71, take the Frank Rd./Rte. 104 exit and head east. Exit Frank Rd./Rte. 104 at Groveport Rd. Turn right and drive south. The farm will be on the left, about 1.5 miles from the exit, with parking in the rear of the school building.



CLARFIELD FARM

Multi-Location, Mission-Driven Urban Farm Tour

Sunday, August 7 • 1-2 p.m.

Italian Village Urban Farm

Joel Harris

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The Columbus Growing Collective is an eclectic group of farmers, restaurateurs, social entrepreneurs, and environmentalists whose mantra is sustainable production with a social purpose. The group operates a multi-location urban farm which includes shipping containers, rooftops, in-ground growing, and high tunnels. This tour will take place at the group's two acre flagship farm, known as the Italian Village Urban Farm, which is located in the center of one of Columbus's newest mixed use urban developments, known as Jeffrey Place. Participants will tour the entire farm, stopping along the way to learn about the unique social programming initiatives and strategic community partnerships which have developed at the farm. The group's evolving relationship with A&R Creative Group—which owns some of the most innovative farm to table concept restaurants in Columbus—will also be discussed.

Directions: From downtown Columbus, take 4th St. N toward OSU and Clintonville. Go under the I-670 underpass, and make the first right onto Neruda Ave. Make the first right on N. 6th St. The farm is on the right side of the street. Park on N. 6th St.



ITALIAN VILLAGE URBAN FARM

Demonstration Food Garden Tour

Saturday, August 13 • 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Scotts Community Garden Campus at Franklin Park Conservatory

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www.fpconservatory.org



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Visit the Scotts Miracle Gro Community Garden Campus for beauty and inspiration. Designed as a living classroom and idea center, this four acre garden provides creative resources for anyone interested in gardening and edible landscapes. Explore the culinary, herb, and fragrance gardens, live-fire cooking area, theater, apiary, rose pavilion, berry house, and 40 community garden plots.

Directions: From downtown Columbus, take Broad St. east toward Bexley. Franklin Park Conservatory is on the right.

Suburban Homestead Tour

Sunday, August 14 • 2-4 p.m.

Weurfulville Suburban Farmstead

Teresa Gottier

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Teresa Gottier of Weurfulville Suburban Farmstead farms a small yard using all possible space by growing vertically in containers and raised beds. While transitioning the yard from ornamentals to all edibles over the last several years, a variety of vegetables, herbs, berries, and fruit trees have been incorporated into the landscape. See how Teresa is extending the growing season through the use of low tunnels and a mini-greenhouse. Learn how her yields have steadily increased, enabling the micro-farm to produce enough food to feed the family year-round with surplus to sell to the neighbors!

Directions: From Columbus, take Rte. 33 S toward Canal Winchester. In Canal Winchester, turn left on Gender Rd., heading north. After approximately 1 mile, turn right on Winchester Crossing Blvd. After crossing the bridge, turn right on Weurful Dr. Look for a white ranch house on the right.



The Ohio Master Urban Farmer program was developed by OSU Extension in Franklin County in 2014 and has graduated 151 Master Urban Farmers in three different classes. The program is an 11 week course designed to give participants the knowledge and skills needed to produce and market food in an urban environment. The program is now being offered in other cities in Ohio.



The next Master Urban Farmer course in Columbus will begin in September. Registration information will be available in early July. To receive registration information, send an email to: hogan.1@osu.edu.

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