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## Save the Date: 2021 Agroforestry Symposium

This winter, the University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry will host its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Agroforestry Symposium January 28-30, 2021.

In order to retain the collective energy of a live in-person event without compromising health and safety, the Symposium seminars will be held online with opportunities for discussion, questions, and dialogue. The event will take place Thursday, January 28th through Saturday, January 30th, from 9am to 12:30pm daily. The symposium will be open to the public and free of charge.

The theme of the 2021 Agroforestry Symposium is **Community Health and Resilient Food Systems**. In response to the ongoing challenges we collectively face at this time, including the coronavirus pandemic, climate change, and inequities in social, environmental, and economic realms, the University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry seeks to share and support creative solutions.

Sustainable food and agriculture systems exemplified by diversified agroforestry practices yield outcomes that can have a positive effect on each of these challenges. From healthy, accessible food that supports disease-resistant bodies, to innovative strategies for strong local economies, and community engagement for improved equity and awareness, the 2021 Agroforestry Symposium will highlight inspiring efforts and leaders who are paving a way to comprehensive community wellness.

Major themes to be addressed at the Symposium are relevant to farmers, value-added producers, health professionals, community organizers and engaged citizens. Themes include:

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# Agroforestry Symposium

*Community Health & Resilient Food Systems*

January 28-30, 2021 | 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
ONLINE | FREE & OPEN to the PUBLIC

Register at [www.CenterforAgroforestry.org/events/Symposia.php](http://www.CenterforAgroforestry.org/events/Symposia.php)

 Center for Agroforestry  
University of Missouri 

- ❖ Specialty crops for healthy people and a healthy environment
- ❖ Innovative community development and advocacy
- ❖ Access and equity for a socially just food system

The symposium will feature keynote speaker Mariah Gladstone, Blackfeet & Cherokee chef and founder of IndigiKitchen, an online cooking show dedicated to indigenous food.

For more information and registration, visit [the UMCA Symposium webpage](#).

## 2021 Agroforestry Symposium: *Community Health & Resilient Food Systems* Call for Poster Abstracts

The Center for Agroforestry at the University of Missouri invites abstract submissions for a limited number of contributed poster presentations for the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Agroforestry Symposium, to be held January 28-30 2021 on a virtual Symposium platform. Abstracts are encouraged to address the Symposium theme: “Community Health & Resilient Food Systems” or related topics such as environmental health, regenerative agriculture, access and equity in food systems. However, submissions reporting relevant work on related topics (agroforestry, natural resources, nutrition etc.) are also welcome and encouraged.

For information on poster abstract submission guidelines, visit [www.CenterforAgroforestry.org/events/Symposia.php](http://www.CenterforAgroforestry.org/events/Symposia.php).

The deadline for poster abstract submissions is December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

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## KUDOS

### Recent Publications

Seruni, A.P., F.X. Aguilar, Z. Cai, M.A. Gold, J.M. Roshetko (2020) **Parcelized cut-and-carry agroforestry systems for confined livestock**. *Small-Scale Forestry* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11842-020-09460-7>

**Congratulations** to Salah Alagele, former UMCA student, for placing first in the poster presentation section at the ASA-CSSA-SSSA Annual Meeting.

**Congratulations** to UMCA PhD students Andria Cruthers and Kendra Esparza-Harris for their acceptance in the NIFA Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate Fellowships (NNF) Grants Program. <https://cafnr.missouri.edu/2020/11/expanding-their-horizons/>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Know to Grow: Small Farms Marketing Series

November 17, 2020 | 9:00 - 10:00 am | University of Minnesota Extension Educators | Free Webinar

Join University of Minnesota Extension Educators for the **Know to Grow webinar series**, developed to help you grow your small farm in a variety of ways, from marketing to adapting to customer needs. This session is on Facebook Live— grow your social media following through simple, authentic-to-your-farm videos with very little equipment needed. <https://attra.ncat.org/event-calendar/know-to-grow-small-farms-marketing-series/>

## **Digging Deeper Into Silvopasture Webinar**

*November 17, 2020 | 10:30am-12:00pm | Sustainable Farming Association | Free Webinar*

The Silvopasture & Agroforestry team are planning to hold a webinar on Tuesday, November 17. Diane Mayerfeld, Lance Smith, Terri Peters, and the SFA Silvopasture Team will be presenting a Zoom webinar on a range of topics such as design considerations, funding opportunities and more, followed by time for Q&A. <https://www.sfa-mn.org/silvopasture-agroforestry/>

## **What is Regenerative Farming and Can It Save the Planet?**

*November 17, 2020 | 2:00-3:00pm | A Greener World | Free Webinar*

In this free, one-hour webinar, you will learn the basics of regenerative farming and gain an understanding of the life-promoting practices that improve: soil health; water and air quality; biodiversity; animal welfare; local communities. Experienced farmer and A Greener World Executive Director Andrew Gunther will teach you why regenerative farming is so important for fighting climate change and restoring ecosystems. Space is limited! [https://ringcentral.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_LVwwXcOZQ42gkp3W2ocdiA](https://ringcentral.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_LVwwXcOZQ42gkp3W2ocdiA)

## **Sustainable Agriculture Summit**

*November 18-19, 2020 | \$150 Online Event, Free for Farmers and Students*

The Sustainable Agriculture Summit is hosted jointly by five agricultural organizations representing America's commodity crop, specialty crop, beef, dairy and pork industries. The Summit convenes leaders from across the agricultural value chain to create the premier sustainability event for production agriculture. Farmers, suppliers, processors, manufacturers, retailers, academics, conservation groups and public sector representatives will gather together with leading experts to learn and discuss opportunities to advance a coordinated and comprehensive approach to drive continuous improvement in agricultural sustainability.

<http://www.sustainableagsummit.org/>

## **Sustainable Foods**

*November 18-20, 2020 | Frontier Exchange | £192.29 – £447.89 Online Event*

In today's world it is more important than ever for senior food executives, entrepreneurs, investors, and technology providers to fast-track the adoption of sustainable food systems. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the limits of the global food industry, stressing the need to address topics such as food security, tackling food waste, re-imagining agriculture and diversifying sources of protein. For this year's Sustainable Foods conference in November we are going virtual, connecting delegates around the world to participate in high-level food sustainability discussions that could benefit both people and planet.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sustainable-foods-registration-120180488075>

## **Indigenous and Tribal Perspectives on Agritourism**

*November 19, 2020 | 12:00-1:00pm | International Workshop on Agrotourism | Free Online Event*

Celebrating sovereignty and demonstrating the uniqueness of all tribes, this conversation seeks to broaden understanding of indigenous-led agritourism initiatives with a focus on the unity of human and ecological communities. Presentations will explore best practices for integrating agro-biodiversity conservation in tribal communities; how culture, tradition and history blends through the Three Sister Story; and how ancient connections apply to contemporary travel company design and marketing. <https://www.agritourismworkshop.com/gatherings.html>

## Virtual Fall Maple Workshop Series

*November 24, 2020 | Cornell Cooperative Extension | Free Online Event*

Are you interested in learning more about producing Maple Syrup? Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County is pleased to announce the Cornell Maple Program is offering six free online workshops this fall. Each course features a selection of self-guided materials including narrated presentations, videos and articles, followed by a live question and answer session. Learn at your own pace from the safety of home, then dial in for the discussion with Cornell experts and fellow sugar makers. [https://events.cornell.edu/event/virtual\\_fall\\_maple\\_workshop\\_series\\_register\\_now?utm\\_campaign=widget&utm\\_medium=widget&utm\\_source=Cornell](https://events.cornell.edu/event/virtual_fall_maple_workshop_series_register_now?utm_campaign=widget&utm_medium=widget&utm_source=Cornell)

## Acres USA Eco-Ag Conference and Trade Show

*December 1-4, 2020 | Acres USA | \$99 Online Event*

This educational experience and trade show, now in its 45th year, unites farmers, ranchers, and ag professionals from every facet of eco-farming to share their experience and expertise. Beginning and generational farmers running sustainable farms — as well as those in transition from conventional to organic — will learn the latest in cutting-edge technology and methods and walk away with useful, practical information that they can apply to their operations right away. <https://ecoag.acresusa.com/>

## 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Perennial Farm Gathering

*December 6-9, 2020 | The Savanna Institute | \$100 Online Event*

In a year of social distancing, we believe the Perennial Farm Gathering is more important than ever to help bring the perennial agriculture community together – practitioners, researchers, and perennial agriculture enthusiasts. This year's gathering will be co-hosted with the Association for Temperate Agroforestry. Though we will all miss the in-person aspects of the gathering, we hope that our online version of the PFG will provide new opportunities to increase participation, lower costs, and build community during these challenging times. <https://www.savannainstitute.org/event/2020-virtual-perennial-farm-gathering/>

## Annual Agroforestry Symposium: *Community Health and Resilient Food Systems*

*January 27-29, 2021 | 9:00am-12:30pm | University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry | Annual Symposium*

This year's Symposium will feature three days of virtual programming, including featured speakers on land health and human health, justice and equity in the food system, and planning for resilient agriculture. Presentations, practitioner panels, a poster session, and networking circles will take place at (Whova site). The event is free and open to the public. More details and registration can be found at <http://www.centerforagroforestry.org/events/Symposia.php>



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