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### Find Your Favorite 'Mater at FesTomato!



FesTomato! is shaping up to be another exciting event! Join us at Walking Bird Farm to enjoy:

- Farm Tour with Walking Bird Staff
- Tomato Tasting with NOFA NJ
- BBQ from Smith Poultry Farm
- Tomato Pies from Hammerbacher
- Local Brews from The Seed Beer
- Fresh-Pressed Juices from SeaTox
- Live Music with Tony & The Trees
- Fresh Food Demo w/Eat Clean Org
- U-Pick, Yard Games, & More!

**Volunteers Needed:** Help us throw this party and get free food, NOFA swag, and the good feeling that comes from supporting family farms:

- **Be A Tomato (wear the costume, pose for photos, and have fun!)**
- Staff the Garden Doctor Booth (*Calling all Master Gardeners!*)
- Re-stock Tomato Tasting Station
- Assist with Parking/Traffic Control

Interested volunteers - please email [Devin@nofanj.org](mailto:Devin@nofanj.org)

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actively working on a farm from 6-7PM. Come commiserate about the hot weather, August plantings, and the few weeks of summer left for us to enjoy.

[Click Here for FesTomato! Info](#)

*Got what it takes to don the suit? Prove it to us this Saturday - we're in need of a tomato!*

## NOFA - NJ EVENTS

### 08/06 - Monthly Technical Assistance Hour - Tomatoes!

Join NOFA NJ's Technical Assistance Staff on the first Wednesday of each month at 9AM via Zoom for a deep dive into seasonally-appropriate topics. This month, the conversation will focus on NJ's favorite crop, tomatoes, exploring the soil nutrition needs, cultural practices used to mitigate pests and disease, and a variety of other considerations. As always, you can email specific support requests ahead of time to [TA@nofanj.org](mailto:TA@nofanj.org). Bring your thoughts, experience, and questions!

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## 08/09 - FesTomato! at Walking Bird Farm

Sponsored by [Community Food Bank of NJ](#)! Enjoy an afternoon and evening filled with tomatoes, live music, local food, BBQ, and more. Shop from a variety of local vendors, take a walk in the farm's U-Pick fields, and tag along for a farm tour to learn about how Walking Bird Farm produces an amazing selection of NJ produce. This event is fun for the whole family. *Farmers: Join us at 6PM for free food and beverages during the farmer happy hour!*

[MORE INFO](#)

## 08/15 - 08/21: Owowcow Fundraiser for NOFA NJ

Treat yourself to a cone in Lambertville and support NOFA NJ! Simply tell the staff at checkout that your cone is for NOFA NJ and we'll receive 20% donation back to NOFA starting Friday, August 15 through Thursday, August 21st.

[MORE INFO](#)

## 08/17 - Tomato Tasting at Hunterdon Community Farmers Market

Join NOFA NJ at the Hunterdon Community Farmers Market for an all-day Tomato Tasting! Sample dozens of tomato varieties while learning about the farms that grow them and supporting local farms and food vendors.

[MORE INFO](#)

## 08/27 - Good Grain Film Premiere at PPA

Join us for the Grand Premiere inside the historic 1930's barn at Pinelands Preservation Alliance in Southampton, NJ. Enjoy snacks made from local grains and a post-screening discussion/Q&A. Admission is free but RSVP is required. Optional

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## Where Else to Find NOFA NJ This Month

Catch the NOFA NJ Team at the following community events in August:

- August 16 - [Sourland MountainFest](#) at Unionville Vineyards
- August 31 - [Frenchtown RiverFest](#)
- August 31 - Tomato Tasting at [Somerset County Regional Farmers Market](#)

## :: COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS

### 8/9 - Gorgeous Goat Creamery *Mingle with the Milkers* and Cheese Talk

A one-of-a-kind afternoon where you get to stroll with the herd of milking goats through the forest at Gorgeous Goat Creamery. Learn first hand how the goats are managing our delicate ecosystem. After our mingle time, we'll explore three of the goat cheeses made on the farm. You'll get to taste how goat milk is transformed into three distinct and delicious cheeses. *NOFA-NJ members get 20% registration using code NOFA20 at checkout!* [MORE INFO](#)

### 8/12 - Pasa Webinar: Understanding the Rights of Immigrant Communities

In this webinar, legal experts will help farm owners and documented farm employees understand how to advocate for the rights of their undocumented colleagues, neighbors, and community. [MORE INFO](#)

### 8/20 - Holistic Planned Grazing at Two Creek Farm (PA)

Holistic Planned Grazing (HPG) is a simple but powerful planning tool developed by the Savory Institute aimed at helping graziers place livestock in the right spot at the

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the farm, as well as why he favors it over standard rotational, adaptive, or mob-grazing systems. He'll discuss decision-making checkpoints that you can borrow to fine-tune your own grazing plan. This event will include a presentation, lunch sourced directly from Two Creek Farm, pasture walk, and an open discussion. [MORE INFO](#)

## 9/27 - Saving Real Organic: Antitrust & Food

Join Real Organic Project at Churchtown Dairy in Hudson, NY for 9 compelling Ted-Style talks, an Organic Lunch, Breakout Sessions, Farm Tour & More. [MORE INFO](#)

## 10/16 - NJ FDC: Bloom & Nourish Fall Mixer - A Farm-Fresh Night at the Winery

Meet fellow advocates, connect with NJFDC's Executive Director and Advisory Board, and learn more about their work to strengthen New Jersey's food system.

All proceeds support NJFDC's mission to build a healthier, more equitable food and farm system across the state. [MORE INFO](#)

## NOFA NJ Member Seeking Farmer in the Classroom

Princeton Public Schools District is seeking interested local farmers, growers, and makers to participate in a Kitchen Science class at Princeton Middle School in October 2025. Ideally, the individual(s) are able to incorporate and represent Latin culture as part of Hispanic Heritage month. [MORE INFO](#)

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Ironbound Farm

Livestock Farmer/Asst. Manager

Gorgeous Goat Creamery

Market & Farm Event Staff

Bone-In Food

Drivers

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Bone-In Food

Social Media Content Creator

Closter Farm &amp; Livestock Co.

Grocery/Farm Stand Manager

Closter Farm &amp; Livestock Co.

Market Staff

Hunterdon Land Trust

Stewardship Coordinator

NJ Highlands Coalition

PT Events Coordinator

## GRANTS & FUNDING

### North Jersey RC&D AgAssist Funding

The program offers 75-95% reimbursement up to \$15,000 for NJ farmers in certain counties & watersheds to receive funding for practices that improve clean water and healthy soils. [MORE INFO](#)

### Livestock Conservancy MicroGrants

The Livestock Conservancy provides grants from \$500-\$2,000 to support residents/organizations of the U.S. actively working with livestock & poultry breeds listed on the Conservation Priority List. [MORE INFO](#)

## SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

### Community Food Bank of New Jersey

The Community FoodBank of New Jersey works to end hunger by distributing food to 800+ community partners (food pantries, soup kitchens, and child and senior feeding programs)



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CFBNJ is the sponsor of this year's FesTomato! at Walking Bird Farm - join us this Saturday to connect with CFBNJ staff and hear about current programs and initiatives helping to increase food security throughout the Garden State.



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