

NOFA · NJ

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Register for NOFA NJ's 3rd Annual MushroomFest in Asbury Park!

Whether you're an advanced mycologist or an entry-level mushroom enthusiast, our network of mushroom professionals are eager to share their knowledge in a day dedicated to FUN(gus)! It's an educational crawl through downtown Asbury Park, with various local businesses serving as classrooms throughout the day.

NOFA-NJ 3RD ANNUAL MUSHROOM FEST MAY 2ND

9:30-10 AM CHECK IN @ **overmoon**

10AM **OPENING KEYNOTE**

11AM

- COOKING DEMO (REYLA)
- FORAGING GUIDE (F.ROCKS)
- DIY INOCULATION (OTM)
- TRUFFLES IN THE NORTHEAST (APB)

12PM

- COOKING DEMO (REYLA)
- DIY INOCULATION (OTM)
- WHY LOCAL INGREDIENTS (F.PIG)
- FORAGING GUIDE (F.ROCKS)

1:30PM

- THERAPEUTIC POLICY (KYDS)
- WHY LOCAL INGREDIENTS (F.PIG)

2:30PM

- TRUFFLES IN THE NORTHEAST (KYDS)
- THERAPEUTIC POLICY (KYDS)

3:30PM

- FILM SCREENING "ORGANIC NOBILITY" (OTM)
- SNACKS & REFRESHMENTS (OTM)

REGISTER ONLINE
WWW.NOFA.NJ.ORG

This year, sessions include Foraging and Taxonomy 101, Make Your Own Grow Kit, Culinary Experiences, Why Local, Therapeutic Practice & Policy, and 2x special guest lectures on Truffles in the Northeast from William Padilla-Brown! We'll close out the day with complimentary snacks and a screening of his documentary, ORGANIC NOBILITY!

[More Info](#)

NOFA-NJ EVENTS

04/22 - NOFA NJ Annual Meeting (Hybrid)

Join NOFA NJ via Zoom (or in-person, see below) as we stream live from Ironbound Farm in Asbury, NJ! Learn about organizational updates, policy activity, and NOFA NJ's partnership with Ironbound Farm and Organic Food Incubator. Sponsored by Clerico Farm Hazelnuts!

[More Info](#)

04/29 - Monthly Organic Open House

On the last Wednesday of each month from 9:00-10:00 AM, we provide a platform for farmers and community members to connect, share knowledge, and discuss relevant topics in organic farming. No registration needed - join us on Zoom!

[More Info](#)

05/02 - Third Annual MushroomFest!

This year, sessions include Foraging and Taxonomy 101, Make Your Own Grow Kit, Culinary Experiences, Why Local, Therapeutic Practice & Policy, and 2x special guest

[More Info](#)

05/06 - *Monthly Technical Assistance Open Hour*

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. As always, you can email specific support requests ahead of time to TA@nofanj.org.

[More Info](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS

4/22 - Hamilton Twp. Public Library Ecology Lecture

Join Jim Bashong to learn how you can lend pollinators and wildlife a helping hand with specific flowers & native plants.

[More Info](#)

4/25 - Reed's Farm Earth Day Celebration

Join Reed's Organic Farm in Egg Harbor Township along with Slow Food to increase awareness about the global movement for good, clean, and fair food for all. Community members and partners will be at the farm representing sustainable seafood, fermentation, heritage seeds, farming, and more!

[More Info](#)

4/26 - ACUA Earth Day Festival

Visit NOFA NJ's booth and enjoy a variety of free, fun and educational activities for all ages! The celebration has many exciting events and entertainment options throughout the day, and more than 150 vendors, crafters, food vendors and exhibitors will be part of the celebration.

[More Info](#)

5/2 - Needle Creek Farm Brewery Garden & Plant Festival

Join local farms and nurseries and enjoy live music and tasty brews as you browse and buy plants for the garden!

[More Info](#)

5/3 - Cherry Grove Farm *Milk Fest*

Join this celebration of fresh NJ dairy and artisanal cheeses with product sampling, hands-on activities, fun for kids, and much more!

[More Info](#)

5/11 - NJFDC Legislative Day of Action

NJFDC has reserved a spot inside the NJ Capitol building for conversations with state lawmakers and staff about key issues as they pass through the plaza on their way to and from hearings. This is a great time to get a few moments with representatives during budget season to make priorities and key issues known. Sign up, put a face to your name, and distribute information to your representatives!

[More Info](#)

NJ Farm-to-School Procurement Initiative

The New Jersey Department of Agriculture and its Division of Food & Nutrition want to make you aware of a late-breaking opportunity for our state's farmers to connect with school districts seeking to purchase additional New Jersey-produced foods for use in their cafeterias.

[More Info](#)

The Farmer Veteran Coalition is seeking Farmer Veterans to be featured in a national digital library celebrating America's 250th birthday. Selected farms will receive national recognition as part of this initiative highlighting the contributions of veterans in agriculture across the country. Applications must be submitted by April 15.

[More Info](#)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CSG at Genesis Farms

[Farmer/Field Staff](#)

MEVO

[Assistant Farm Manager](#)

Chamarel Farms

[Farm Manager](#)

Orchard Hill Farms

[PT Livestock Manager](#)

Closter Farm & Livestock Co.

[Market Staff](#)

Pasture Prime Farm

[Farm Manager](#)

City Green

[Farm Crew Member](#)

Cherry Grove Farm

[Assistant Cheesemaker](#)

CROPS NJ

[Programming Facilitator](#)

GRANTS & FUNDING

Grants & Funding updates will now be restricted to the Members-Only email each week - [become a Member today](#) to receive this and many other benefits!

MARKET CONNECTIONS

NOFA NJ Members are encouraged to share listings of product sought, product to sell, equipment for sale and more - email nofainfo@nofanj.org!

Harlingen Roots & Vine Seeking Partner Farm Suppliers

Harlingen Roots & Vine (Somerset County, NJ) is seeking to purchase Organic vegetables from nearby farms to supplement its offerings during their 2026 market season. If interested, email Thomas W. ([click more info to email](#)).

[More Info](#)

Basil Bandwagon Seeking Organic Strawberries

Basil Bandwagon Natural Market has three locations in Hunterdon County (Lambertville, Flemington, and Clinton) and a dedicated Organic customer base. They are seeking local Organic strawberries, and are interested in a dedicated buyer-seller relationship with the right farm.

[More Info](#)

SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT



Hosting educational events and offering retail products, Clerico Farm is helping to expand the market for NJ hazelnuts, and is also the sponsor of NOFA NJ's 2026 Annual Meeting!

Clerico Farm is a founding member of the Avellana Hazelnut Cooperative, a grower-led initiative designed to build a resilient NJ hazelnut industry, sharing solutions for processing, marketing, and adding value to hazelnuts.



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