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2018 Farm Food Safety & Business Workshop Series

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Allen Neighborhood Center &
Grazing Fields Present:
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**January
26
5-8pm**

Pop Up Restaurant with Presentation & Discussion on Non-GMO & Seed Saving

Join us for an evening of wonderful food & discussion with Eric Kampe & Paul B. Thompson. Eric runs Ann Arbor Seed Company, a small farm that produces a diverse selection of locally grown vegetable seeds. Paul is the W.K. Kellogg Professor of Agricultural, Food and Community Ethics at MSU. Dinner will be available for purchase from Building Block Catering at the beginning of the event. Register for the event at bit.ly/ancpopup2018

**February
9
1-3pm**

Who Licenses Your Food Business?

Licensing of ready to eat and packaged food products can be tricky! You need to know how your product is categorized, who to get licensing from, and what steps you need to take. Here to help are Amy Thomas from the Ingham County Health Department and Pam Weaver of Michigan Department of Agricultural & Rural Development. Register at bit.ly/licensingworkshopanc

**February
23
1-3pm**

What Farm Certification is Right for Me?

Choosing a farm certification that is best suited for your business can be a confusing and daunting task. Many options are available and here to talk about a few of them is Jen Silviri from Michigan Food & Farming Systems. Register at bit.ly/farmcertificationworkshopanc

**March
30
1-3pm**

Branding Your Business

Small businesses today need more than a website and a logo. To stand out, you need a remarkable brand that blends strategy, design, and experience. In this session you will learn the necessary tools for defining your company's brand personality, image, key message, taglines and more. You'll come away with a strong framework for constructing your company's own comprehensive brand. Led by Laurie Lonsdorf of SBDC. Register at bit.ly/brandingworkshopanc

**April
20
5-8pm**

Pop-Up Dinner, Presentation & Discussion on Year of the Bird: Birds as an Indicator of Health

Join us for an evening of delicious food and a panel discussion on how migratory bird populations are an indicator of climate change. Dinner will be available for purchase from Teff-Rific at the beginning of the event. Registration and more information available soon at bit.ly/ancbirdpopup2018

**May
11
1-3pm**

FSMA & Writing a Farm Food Safety Manual

Join us as farm food safety expert, Phil Tocco of MSU Extension, explains farm food safety concerns for farmers. Phil will talk about the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) and the impact on small farms. Learn how to identify potential food safety hazards and create a farm food safety plan. Register at bit.ly/FSMAworkshopanc



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2018 GardenHouse Workshops & Roundtables Series



Urban Gardeners Program

Attend four designated workshops (starred below) and a workshop of your choice, along with 6 lab sessions, and hours clocked in the Garden House in order to receive the ANC Urban Gardener Program Certification. For more information and to register, go to bit.ly/urban-gardener

**February
10
10a-12p**

Seedstarting & Transplanting*

Learn helpful tips and tricks to grow successful vegetable plants from seed as well as how to transplant your young seedlings. Workshop facilitated by Denae Friedheim of MSU Student Organic Farm. **Workshop required for Urban Gardener Certification.* Register at hpgh-seedstarting.eventbrite.com

**March
3
2-4p**

Planning Your Garden Year*

Plan the layout, crops, and planting schedule for your home garden. Discuss best mapping strategies as well as timelining for getting things in the ground. Workshop graciously sponsored by Hammond Farms Landscape Supply, and facilitated by Kate Heflick, MSU's Student Organic Farm Garden House Manager. **Workshop required for Urban Gardener Certification.* Register at hpgh-plangardenyear.eventbrite.com

**March
14
4:30-6p**

Seed Swap

A "Seed Swap" is a gathering where gardeners and farmers can congregate to trade seeds, stories, tips and tricks for a productive garden! Please only bring seeds that have been purchased/saved in the last two years to ensure germination. Please label all seed donations! Event facilitated by MSU Extension and ANC in the **Allen Market Place Classroom**.

**March
17
12-2p**

Soil Care*

Learn how to create healthy soil for your backyard or garden space. Workshop graciously sponsored by Hammond Farms Landscape Supply, and facilitated by Brian Allnutt of Detroit Farm and Garden. **Workshop required for Urban Gardener Certification.* Register at hpgh-soil.eventbrite.com

**March
31
10a-12p**

Vermicompost*

Learn about vermicomposting and how to start your own outdoor worm composting bin at home. Workshop graciously sponsored by Hammond Farms Landscape Supply, and facilitated by Brooke Comer, graduate research assistant at MSU's Department of Horticulture and Donny Comer, Program and Education Coordinator at the Greater Lansing Food Bank. **Workshop required for Urban Gardener Certification.* Register at hpgh-getwormy.eventbrite.com



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**April
14
10a-12p**

Gardening 101

Are you new to gardening? Learn the basics and skills to become a successful gardener. This is the place where it is okay to be embarrassed and have a lot of questions! Workshop graciously sponsored by Van Atta's, and facilitated by Hunter Park GardenHouse Manager, Egypt Krohn. Register at hpgh-gardening101.eventbrite.com

**April
28
2-4p**

Mushroom Cultivation

Learn the basic skills required to grow your own edible mushrooms. Go home with a started kit! Workshop facilitated by neighborhood expert, Robbie Kraemer. Register at hpgh-growmushrooms.eventbrite.com

**May
26
2-4p**

Apartment Gardening

Join us in learning how to garden in small spaces--be it a front yard, balcony, or even your kitchen counter! We will discuss which herbs and other plants flourish in these environments, as well as space optimization strategies from creative containers to vertical gardening. Workshop facilitated by ANC's Gardening Educator, Karalyn Grimes. Register at hpgh-aptgardening.eventbrite.com

**June
16
10a-12p**

Plant Therapy

Come to a session dedicated to the therapeutic benefits of plants. Discussion will include which plants to incorporate into your home and garden to ease various ills. Workshop facilitated by Lacey Ingrao of the Michigan Horticulture Therapy Association. Register at hpgh-planttherapy.eventbrite.com

**June
23
10a-12p**

Intermediate Beekeeping

This will be a hands-on intensive working a live bee hive and will cover: hive handling, hive inspections, testing for varroa mites, and discussing management and treatment options. Participants must be properly clothed with loose fitting jeans (no holes), closed toed shoes, a long sleeve cotton shirt (no holes) , and gloves. Register at hpgh-interbeekeeping.eventbrite.com

**July
21
10a-12p**

Flower Arranging

Learn how to create gorgeous hand-cut bouquets and plant the gardens that grow them. This year the workshop will include building your bouquet by cutting directly from the Hunter Park GardenHouse flower beds! Workshop facilitated by neighborhood expert Barb Laxton. Register at hpgh-flowers.eventbrite.com

Roundtables Series

Join us for free roundtable discussions facilitated by community members in the ANC Classroom Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 throughout our workshop season. Topics will run the gambit from "Youth Empowerment in Farming," "Race, Class, & Agriculture," "Access Auditing the Farm," and more. Given Wednesday dates to be announced during workshops and on our website. Stay tuned!

**Dates
TBA**