



Georgia Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association

Conferences

About GFVGA

Organic Production Conference

All activities at the Savannah International Trade & Convention Center (SITCC) unless otherwise noted.



| THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2008 | | FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2008 | |
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| 8:00 - 5:00 pm | EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION OPEN - SITCC Exhibitor Set-Up Poster Set-Up | 7:00-5:00 pm | ATTENDEE REGISTRATION OPEN Savannah International Trade and Convention Center |
| 2:00 pm | GFVGA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SITCC | 7:00-9:00 am | EXHIBITOR MOVE IN Exhibitors must be in place by 9:00 am |
| 4:00 pm | GFVGA ANNUAL MEETING SITCC | 10:00-6:00 pm | TRADE SHOW OPEN |
| | | 8:00 - 9:30 am | Organic Session 1 Research Update on Organic Blueberry Production Moderator: James Clark, UGA Extension Coordinator, Appling County |
| | | 8:00 am | Appropriate Use of Allowed and Restricted Organic Materials Relinda Walker, Georgia Organics & Walker Farms, Sylvania, GA |
| | | 8:20 am | Results of Organic Mulching Trials at UGA Alma and Alapaha Dr. Gerard Krewer, UGA, Tifton, GA |
| | | 8:40 am | Blueberry Leaf Beetle Control in Organic Systems Dr. Moukaram Tertuliano, UFL and UGA, Tifton, GA |
| | | 9:10 am | Disease Control in Organic Blueberry Dr. Harold Scherm, Athens, Georgia |
| | | 9:30 am | BREAK |
| | | 9:45 - 10:45 am | ORGANIC SESSION 2 Betting the Farm on Organic Production Moderator: Ray Hicks, UGA Extension Coordinator, Screven County |
| | | | Al Clark, long-time tomato and strawberry producer in Bulloch County, tells how he and his sons are converting the family farm to organic certification. Speakers: Al, John, and A.R. Clark; Clark and Sons Organics, Portal, Georgia |
| | | 11:00 - 12:00 | Labor Forum NEW! |
| | | 12:00-1:30 pm | LUNCH (Lunch provided for Three Day and Friday Only Registrants) |
| | | 1:30 - 3:00 | ORGANIC SESSION 3 To Market, To Market: Outlets for marketing and sales of organic and sustainable produce Moderator: Cliff Riner, Tattnall County Extension Agent, Reidsville, GA |
| | | | Places to sell, new marketing tools, free internet advertising, and the latest info on how to connect your farm to regional produce sales opportunities such as Emory University's Farm-to-School program. Speakers: Alice Rolls, Executive Director, and Suzanne Welander, Outreach Director, Georgia Organics, Atlanta, Georgia Chaz Holt, Emory Farmer Liason, Georgia Organics, Atlanta, GA |
| | | 3:00 pm | Break |
| | | 3:15 - 4:45 pm | ORGANIC SESSION 4 Getting Certified: Who Ya Gonna Call? Moderator: Relinda Walker, South Georgia Program Coordinator, Georgia Organics |
| | | | Understanding the regulations for organic |

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| | growers. Vernon Mullins, Organic Program Manager, Georgia Dept. of Agriculture |
| | Working with extension to write your farm plan and application. Reid Torrance, Vidalia Onion Regional Extension Coordinator |
| | Making it through the inspection process. Johnny Luke, Inspector, Georgia Crop Improvement Association |
| | Getting help from production research. Dr. George Boyhan, UGA Extension Specialist, Organic Production |
| 4:45 - 6:00 pm | WELCOME RECEPTION - TRADE SHOW AREA (Open to all registered attendees) |
| 5:45 pm | LIVE AUCTION IN EXHIBIT HALL |
| Evening | DINNER ON YOUR OWN |

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