

# 2015 San Juan Islands Agricultural Summit: *Farming for the Next Generation*

## Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> Schedule

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### **Farmers to Farmland Collaborative Workshop (Invitational) 10 am -12:30 pm**

- Regional experts: Sarah Spaeth, Kate Dean, Mary Embleton, Sarah Lowry, Ethan Schaeffer
- Local organizations: SJPT, SJCLB, SJC staff, SJC Council, AG, WSU, ARC, SJICD, NABC, OPAL, LCLT

### **Hands-on Friday Workshops**

Pre-registration required for all workshops. [www.sjcarc.org/summit/](http://www.sjcarc.org/summit/)

Location and directions will be provided after registration

- 10:30 am – 3:30 pm Humane On-Farm Livestock Slaughtering with Farmstead Meatsmith; Sunnyfield Farm
- 11 am - 4 pm Baking with Lopez & local grains: Jonathan Bethany-McDowell, WSU Research Station Bread Lab, Mt Vernon; LCCA
- 1 – 4 pm Biochar: Production, amendments and kiln demonstrations at Lilliistol Farm
- 1 - 4 pm Write your own Farm Plan with Bruce Gregory & Ellen Jones, SJICD at LCCA

### **Friday Farm Tours – Schedule TBD**

- Composting for Farms – commercial composting at Midnights Farm; innovative farm composting at Horse Drawn Farm
- A Tale and Tour of Two Dairies – Sunnyfield Certified Goat Dairy; S&S Farm Certified Cow Dairy
- Lopez Island Farm Education Program (LIFE) – Farm to School curriculum, hoop houses, and school lunches from the gardens
- Food Safety Lab & Seed Library at Lopez Community Land Trust
- Local Grain Processing at Steve Lilliistol's Farm

### **5-6:30 pm Dinner: A Taste of Lopez and No Host Bar with local spirits and wines**

Tickets purchased at the door. Lopez Center for Community and the Arts (LCCA)

### **7 pm Nationally acclaimed author Thor Hanson will talk about his latest book, *The Triumph of Seeds: How Grains, Nuts, Kernels, Pulses and Pips Conquered the Plant Kingdom and Shaped Human History***

Thor Hanson is a Guggenheim Fellow, a Switzer Environmental Fellow, and winner of the John Burroughs Medal. His books include *The Impenetrable Forest*, *Feathers*, and *The Triumph of Seeds* (due in March 2015 from Basic Books). Thor lives with his wife and son on San Juan Island.

Tickets purchased at Lopez Center for Community and the Arts ([www.lopezcenter.org/](http://www.lopezcenter.org/))

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## Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> Session Schedule

8:30-9:15 am MORNING KEYNOTE: GARY NABHAN						
	TRANSITIONING FARMS	BUSINESS OF FARMING	BUILDING FERTILE SOILS	DIVERSIFIED FARMING	CROPS, EMERGING MARKETS & MARKETING	
9:30-10:30 am	<b>Keeping Farmland in Farming: A Community Perspective</b> Hearing from new and elder farmers	<b>Funding for Farmers</b> NW Farm Credit Services Small Farm Loans; State & Federal grants; Cost-share programs. SJICD, NWFCS, WSU	<b>Soil Testing for Diversified Farms</b> Doug Collins, WSU	<b>Pollinator Health &amp; Beekeeping</b> Gary Nabhan Brady Ryan, SJ Salt	"Porridge, whiskey, bread & beans: An intro to production & uses of small grains & dry beans. B. Brouwer, B. Meintz, L. Winkler, Colin Curwen-McAdams, WSU Research Station	<b>Local Markets &amp; Coops: What we buy and why?</b> Panel: Orcas & SJI Co-ops, Blossom Organic Grocery
10:45-11:45 pm	<b>Farmland Changing Hands: Innovative Solutions &amp; Partners</b>	<b>Greenbook: Food Safety Regs &amp; Solutions for Value Added Products</b> Patrice Barrentine, LCLT Food Safety Lab	<b>Building Soil Fertility</b> Doug Collins, WSU Small Farms Team	<b>Apples for Cider &amp; Distilling: Varieties, Budget and Markets</b> Carol Miles, WSU; David Bauermeister, NABC; Orcas Distillery	<b>Markets for Local Grains: Malting, Distilling, Organic Flours &amp; more</b> Wayne Carpenter, Skagit Valley Malting; Fairhaven Flour Mill	<b>Farm to Marketing: Opportunities, Tips &amp; Case Studies</b> Jeff Voltz, NABC; Shannon Borg, SJIVB; Patrice Barrentine
12:00-1:30 pm LUNCH & BOUNTY SLIDE SHOW						
12:30 – 1:30 pm PANEL DISCUSSION WITH GARY NABHAN, STEVE JONES, THOR HANSON						
1:45-3:00 pm	<b>Cooperatives: Opportunities &amp; Benefits</b> Island Grown Program, Puget Sound Food Hub, NABC	<b>Don't Lose the Farm! Why Farm Insurance is important</b> Lesa Boxx, Country Financial; Tricia Sexton-Kovacs, WSU	<b>Growing Nutrient Dense Vegetables</b> Gary Kline, Black Lake Organics	<b>Growing in Greenhouses: Crops, Strategies &amp; Funding</b> Carol Miles, WSU Research Station	<b>Poultry, Rabbits &amp; Ducks: Mobile Processing &amp; Model Business Plan for SJC producers</b> NABC	<b>Markets &amp; Models for Seed Production</b> Caitlin Moore, Olympia Seed Exchange; Brian Campbell, Uprising Seed
3:15-4:30 pm	<b>Farm to School: Lopez Island Farm Education (LIFE) Tour, Curriculum, Hoophouses,</b>		<b>Biochar: Enriching our soils</b> Andrew Borner, Natural Plant Solutions, Steve Bensel, Kai Hoffman		<b>Understanding Nutritional Needs of Livestock: Feeds &amp; Pasture</b> Scratch & Peck; Bruce Gregory, CD	<b>State of Organic Seed Listening Session: Building Capacity &amp; Integrity of Organic Seed</b> Organic Seed Alliance
4:30-6:30 pm SOCIAL NETWORKING						

Northwest Agriculture Business Center (NABC); San Juan Islands Conservation District (SJICD); San Juan Islands Visitors Bureau (SJIVB); Lopez Community Land Trust (LCLT); Cascade Harvest Coalition (CHC); SJC Agricultural Resources Committee (ARC); San Juan Islands Agricultural Guild (AG); NW Farm Credit Services (NWFCS)