

#### **Public Health and Wellness**

We care about your health and wellness! Help us prevent the spread of disease by paying attention to how you feel. COVID-19 is still a factor in large group gatherings and can be considered a risk for attendees. Other seasonal illnesses also have the potential to impact our collective conference experience. *If you are feeling sick, please stay home and get tested!* If you get sick during the conference, let us know and we will help you login to the virtual gathering so you can watch without putting others at risk. We will provide masks and encourage you to wear one if you've been around someone who is sick. We will continue following all state and federal guidelines related to public health concerns. Thank you for taking care of your health and the health of others.

# **Meditation with Upaya**

We're excited to welcome Wendy Lau of the Upaya Zen Center to guide meditation at this year's conference. Wendy Lau is an Emergency Medicine and Addiction Medicine physician. In 2020, Dr. Lau was ordained by Roshi Joan Halifax as a Zen priest. She now teaches Roshi Joan's GRACE compassion process. She recently finished a book, *Inner Practice of Medicine*.

A conference can sometimes feel like a flood of information and social engagement. Time and space to digest new information and experiences is important. Meditation is known to enhance the flow of constructive thoughts and positive emotions. We hope taking the opportunity for quiet reflection will help you connect more deeply with each other and with what you're learning during the conference. **Meditation will happen at 5:45 p.m. on Thursday and 7:15 a.m. on Friday in the Pojaque room.** 

## **Community Agreements**

- *Take care of yourself.* Stay hydrated and take breaks. We encourage you to move beyond your comfort zone and into your growth zone. However, if you approach the panic zone and feel overextended, then take a break and nourish yourself. Consider visiting the Quiet Room, attending one of our meditation sessions, and embracing moments of silence.
- **Practice confident humility.** Each of us brings wisdom and other assets, and each of us always has more to learn.
- *Embrace paradox.* You may hear things that you might not agree with, or concepts that contradict one another. Lean into the discomfort and look for the emerging questions. You will likely walk away with more questions than answers, and that's okay!
- Embrace relationships as resolution. If there is an issue that can't be resolved, focus more on fostering a healthy relationship than solving the issue.
- Listen actively and with an ear to understanding other's views.
- **Speak your truth.** Try using I statements and speak from your experience. Avoid assumptions about any member of the group or generalizations about social groups. Don't ask individuals to speak for their (perceived) social group.

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# Microbes \* Markets \* Climate

At REGENERATE 2023, we will explore regenerative agriculture at every scale — including microbial soil communities, social communities and markets, and our changing climate. The phrase "regenerative agriculture" was coined over 40 years ago and although in the last 10 years, industry and markets have embraced this approach to food production and land stewardship, the root practices have existed for milenia, starting with Indigenous land-based communities. Today, large corporations are investing in new technologies for carbon capture and ecosystem service verification, and see the opportunities for climate change mitigation from regenerative agriculture.

Amidst all these advancements, we still need to look more deeply at the human influences that shape who has a seat at the table, who can access these markets, how markets are defined, and who can utilize the available funding for research, adaptation, and research. We can ask questions like, "What history and knowledge has been lost because of policies, agendas, and vested corporate interests?" "Who are the new leaders in the regenerative agriculture movement?" "How can we do a better job of creating access to resources for all those eager to participate in and scale this vital work?"

We invite this community to learn, collaborate, and contribute to this conversation at local, national, and global scales. We aim to provide a range of cross-disciplinary perspectives to create an inclusive, open space for knowledge exchange, challenging dialogues, and community building.

#### **Your Hosts**



**American Grassfed Association** is a national multi-species organization dedicated to protecting and promoting grassfed producers and grassfed products through national communication, education, research, and marketing efforts.

**Holistic Management International** is an environmental and educational nonprofit that helps communities grow and thrive by educating family farmers and ranchers and pastoralists in regenerative agricultural practices that empower them to strengthen their businesses, produce healthier food, improve local wildlife habitats, and protect the environment.

**Quivira Coalition** fosters resilience on working lands. Through education, innovation, and collaboration, Quivira works in coalition with ranchers, farmers, government agencies, and land stewards. We envision a world where agriculture provides for the health of rural economies and communities, heals social injustice, and regenerates climate, land, water, and ecosystems. We work to grow the community and implementation of regenerative agriculture until it is embraced as a crucial piece of our food systems, our land stewardship, and our solutions to climate change.

# Conference Steering Committee

At the end of 2022, the REGENERATE Planning Committee started working with our first-ever steering committee, a group of BIPOC women and nonbinary leaders in the agricultural and equity spaces. Committee members include Ana Moran, Kia Ruiz, Melanie Kirby, and Sarah Habib. They're helping improve REGENERATE's impact on diversity, equity, inclusion, antiracism, and justice within the conference and also the conference's impact on the regenerative agriculture movement more generally. The committee members attended REGENERATE 2022 (either virtually or in-person), completed a post-conference survey, met twice with the conference organizing team before the 2023 conference, and plan to help assess this year's event. They have provided invaluable feedback that we have integrated into our planning. We hope that this steering committee is the beginning of a future of REGENERATE that continues to be a welcoming, accessible, and inclusive place for a diverse community.

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# Mentimeter Live Polling



This year, we are excited to utilize live polling and interactive conference discussion so we can engage more effectively. Use the QR code to access live polling questions, survey results, or to answer a discussion question.

You'll be prompted at the mainstage when it's time to poll.

# **Thursday**

Plenary talks will be located on the main stage. See pages 14 - 17 for roundtable details and locations.

#### MORNING

TIME	EVENT	PRESENTER
<i>7:15</i> a.m.	Registration + Coffee + Networking + Exhibitor Tabling	
8:00 a.m.	Welcome and opening remarks	
8:20 a.m.	A Conversation with Your Administrator About Filling in the Gaps	Zach Ducheneaux
8:55 a.m.	Sustainable Sheep: Honoring the Animal, Healing the Planet	Jeanne Carver and
		Elena Miller-ter Kuile
9:50 a.m.	Break	
10:20 a.m.	The Potential of Regenerating Soils and Increasing	Enrique Guerrero
	Productivity and Profitability with Livestock	
11:10 a.m.	Turning Your Passion into a Paycheck:	Angela Faughtenberry
	Farm to Food Production and Financial Literacy	and John Arbuckle
12:00 p.m.	Lunch provided by Street Food Institute in the hall!	

#### **AFTERNOON**

TIME	EVENT	PRESENTER
1:30 p.m.	New Support to Get Grassfed Meat and Poultry to Market	Dave Carter
2:10 p.m.	Reverence Farms: A Diversified Livestock Farm	Dr. Hubert Karreman
2:50 p.m.	Break + book signing	
3:20 p.m.	Roundtables - see pages 14-16 to view topics and locations.	
4:50 p.m.	Adapting and Innovating through the Lumps and Bumps of a Complex Family Business	Joe and Jenn Wheeling
5:30 p.m.	Closing Remarks	

#### **EVENING**

TIME	EVENT	<u>HOST</u>
5:30 p.m.	Exhibitor Time	
5:45 p.m.	Meditation in Pojaque	Wendy Lau
6:00 p.m.	Career Connections	New Agrarian Program
6:00 p.m.	New Agrarian Celebration Social	National Young Farmers

Evening activities will happen concurrently and are open to all! The social will conclude at 8 p.m.

Childcare

Childcare is provided by PattyCake Nannies from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday.

Children need to be picked up over the lunch break.

# Friday

#### **MORNING**

TIME	EVENT	PRESENTER
7:15 a.m.	Registration + Coffee + Networking + Exhibitor Tabling	
7:15 a.m.	Meditation in Pojaque	Wendy Lau
8:00 a.m.	Opening Remarks	
8:15 a.m.	Stories from the Ground Up: Producer Relationships to Biodiversity and Soil Health	Dr. Aidee Guzman
9:00 a.m.	Southwest Agroforestry From an Indigenous Perspective	Alicia Thompson
9:45 a.m.	Break	
10:20 a.m.	Growing Graziers: Shepherding a New Generation into Vocations in Land Stewardship, Public Safety, and Fibershe	Cole Bush eds
11:05 a.m.	Indigenous Insights: Integrating Regenerative Pollinator Stewardship for Changing Climes & Times	Melanie Kirby
<b>11:40</b> a.m.	Lunch provided by Street Food Institute in the hall!	
12:30 p.m.	Musical performance in the lobby	Lara Manzanares

#### **AFTERNOON**

TIME	EVENT	PRESENTER
1:10 p.m.	Resilience Through Catastrophe: Preparation	Torri Estrada, Paula
	for and Recovery from Climate Disasters	Garcia, Brian Wehlburg
2:15 p.m.	Break + book signing + podcast corner	
2:40 p.m.	Roundtables - see pages 14-16 to view topics and locations.	
4:10 p.m.	Sustainability and Responsible Stewardship:	Bobby Wilson
	Preserving a Legacy of Clean Air, Water, and	
	Soil for Generations that Follow	
4:50 p.m.	Musical performance	Lara Manzanares
5:15 p.m.	Closing	



Scan the QR code to read full 2023 plenary descriptions!

Miss a plenary or keynote? No fret! Video recordings of REGENERATE 2023 sessions will be posted on Quivira's and the REGENERATE Conference YouTube channels in early 2024.

# Quiet space.

Need to a place to escape the crowd? The Milagro room will be a designated quiet space during plenary sessions and breaks.

# Wednesday

# Organic Producer & Buyer Mixer and Evening Social

Hosted by the Rodale Institute

November 1, Wednesday, 5:30 - 8 p.m.

If you haven't registered in advance, please RSVP at the registration desk.



Join us for drinks, appetizers, and good conversation at REGENERATE 2023 to foster organic supply solutions! You don't have to attend the whole conference to attend the social, anyone is welcome. Registration requested.

Anyone is welcome to come mingle; there will be a special area for producers and buyers who actively engage with organic value chains as well as those who are interested in organic transition and selling organic products but don't know where to start. This is a great opportunity to get connected to the organic community in the Southwestern U.S. For those who are organic curious, come learn more about organic requirements and technical assistance opportunities during organic transition.

# Thursday

# **Career Connections**

November 2, Thursday, 6 - 7 p.m.

The New Agrarian Program is hosting a Career Connections job/opportunity fair at this year's conference. Career Connections provides a networking opportunity for beginning agrarians and a platform for employers in the regenerative agriculture, conservation, and land stewardship spaces to showcase their job openings. The event will highlight the diversity of agriculture career opportunities including production agriculture, agencies, nonprofit organizations, and others. Have a position to fill? You can sign up for a table at the Quivira booth before noon on Thursday.

# New Agrarian Celebration Social

Sponsored by the National Young Farmers Coalition

November 2, Thursday, 6 - 8 p.m.

If you haven't registered in advance, please RSVP at the registration desk.

Join us for an evening social to celebrate and support beginning agrarians and land stewards. Sponsored by the National Young Farmers Coalition, this event is open to everyone! Come and decompress from the day of conference presentations, grab small bites and drinks, discuss big ideas, appreciate all those doing the hard and important work of agriculture. Locally-produced appetizers will be provided for free with cash bar.

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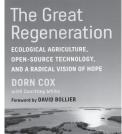


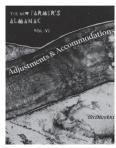


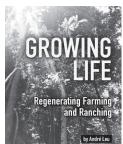
# **Bookstore**

Open 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday

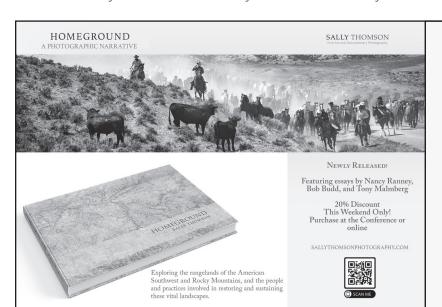
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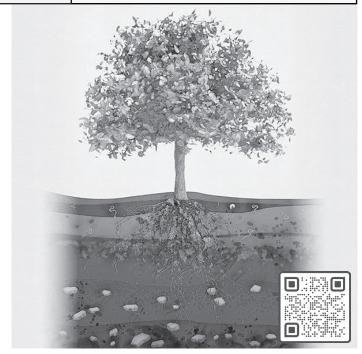
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#### Herd Fellows

The REGENERATE Conference and Funders for Regenerative Agriculture support young people committed to life at the nexus of tradition and innovation, food and land, economy and community. We believe good agriculture is rooted in holistic thinking and a lifelong commitment to learning and teaching. The Herd Fellowship provides scholarships for beginning farmers, ranchers, land stewards, and students in related fields to attend the REGENERATE Conference.

This fellowship program is both inspired by and an extension of the Herd Fellows program started at the Grassfed Exchange. The Herd (now the Funders for Regenerative Agriculture) — a group of foundations and family offices whose shared mission is to accelerate the transition to a regenerative agriculture system — initiated this program with the goal of continuing education and connection for beginning ranchers and farmers from diverse communities.

#### We would like to introduce and congratulate our 2023 REGENERATE Herd Fellows!

Althea Raiford-Billingsley Hampton, GA	Guy Ritani Gold Coast	Leslie Wood Dixon, NM	
April Jones	Queensland Australia	Marcos Aragon	
Akron, OH	Ismael De Lara West Lafayette, IN	Las Vegas, NM	
Asia Cornelius	west Laray ette, m	Melanie Gonzales	Interested in
Alpine, TX	Jera Berens Taos, NM	Rio Rancho, NM	meeting beginning land stewards?
Bea Redfeather		Nevi Beatty	Join the
Shiprock, NM	Jessie Hook Taos, NM	Fort Collins, CO	New Agrarain Program for the lunch hour on the terrace
Becca Gourlay		Sunshine Tso	Thursday to meet Herd
Glenwood Springs, CO	Kathleen Voight New Haven, CT	Las Cruces, NM	Fellows and New Agrarian apprentices.
Dolores Miller		Tahirah Jones	
Bandon, OR	Kristin Swoszowski-Tran Mora, NM	Columbus, OH	
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Ukiah, CA		Nenahnezad, NM	

# **Herd Fellow Bios**



Learn more about the Herd Fellowship and this year's fellows. Read their bios on our website.

# New Agrarian Graduates

Quivira Coalition's New Agrarian Program partners with skilled ranchers and farmers to offer annual apprenticeships in regenerative agriculture. These apprentices learn from expert practitioners in full-immersion professional settings.

This program specifically targets first-career professionals with a sincere commitment to life at the intersection of conservation and regenerative agriculture. Since 2008, the New Agrarian Program has partnered with ranches and farms around the west to offer eight-month apprenticeships and has successfully graduated over 100 apprentices.

#### We would like to introduce and congratulate our 2023 New Agrarian Program Graduates!

Cooper Dias San Juan Ranch COLORADO Tait Rosbottom Rafter W Ranch COLORADO Kelsey Nelson Mannix Ranch MONTANA

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## NEW AGRARIAN Graduates

Learn more about our New Agrarian Graduates and read their bios on our website.



#### Roundtable Sessions

# You can sign-up for your preferred roundtables next to the registration desk.

There are ten roundtables each day. Some roundtables will repeat Thursday and Friday. Roundtables marked with an asterisk (\*) are only offered once. There is a registration cap on each session with the exception of the unconference roundtable. Roundtables will be facilitated by staff, speakers, volunteers, and contributors.

#### The goals of the roundtables are to:

- build relationships
- share knowledge and experience that everyone brings to the conference
- deepen understanding of where each of us is coming from
- create momentum and inspire collective engagement

#### 1. Regenerative Ranching at Scale

O'Keefe Room. Facilitator: Wayne Knight. Speakers: Brittany Cole Bush, Elena Miller-ter-Kuile, and Enrique Guerrero.

Regenerative ranching practices can improve land health, animal welfare, wildlife and pollinator habitat, and business profitability as well as provide a host of ecosystem services. But, many examples of this type of ranching are small scale, creating a false belief that these practices can never be scaled to address large landscape needs, particularly in arid environments. Join the conversation on how to scale these practices.

#### 2. Carbon Credit Opportunities and Challenges

Milagro Room. Facilitator: Deborah Clark. Speaker: Jeanne Carver.

There are numerous carbon credit companies recruiting producers to join the voluntary carbon market. Learn more about these opportunities and challenges from the perspective of the aggregator and the producer and share your perspective of what is important to you in this emerging market.

#### 3. Value-Added Marketing\*

Kearney Room. Facilitator: Carrie Balkcom. Speakers: Angela Faughtenberry and John Arbuckle.

Value-added marketing is an opportunity for producers to capture more of the marketing pie. There are many challenges and opportunities (like increased profit!) that come with engaging this part of the value chain. Join this conversation to share your experiences with value-added marketing or ask questions of those who have been able to take their businesses to the next level and learn about what helped them be successful. (*Thursday only*)

# 4. Land and Water Access - Challenges and Leadership in the Farming Community\*

Coronado Room. Facilitator: Evanne Caviness. Speaker: Alicia Thompson.

Farming and ranching in the West present producers with an array of unique challenges, particularly when it comes to accessing affordable land with the necessary water resources to sustain production. This is an interactive roundtable facilitated by farmers and ranchers from Colorado and New Mexico who have stepped into leadership roles in their communities to implement creative solutions to address land and water access challenges. Participants will be encouraged to share their own journeys in farming in the drought-ridden West. (*Thursday only*)

#### 5. Effective Business and Succession Planning

DeVargas Room. Facilitators: Seth Wilner and Kelly Sidoryk. Speakers: Joe and Jenn Wheeling.

For many producers effective business planning, and particularly succession planning, is hard to fit into busy days of farm and ranch chores. Learn how to add in simple business practices to increase the effectiveness of your business as well as improve quality of life. Share the challenges you face with succession planning and what would help you be part of a successful transition.

### Roundtable Sessions

# 6. Resilience Through Catastrophe: Preparation for and Recovery from Climate Disasters

Peralta Room. Facilitator: Brian Wehlburg. Speakers: Brian Wehlburg, Paula Garcia, and Torri Estrada.

Fire, drought, flooding, and a host of other natural and human disasters are increasing with regularity and challenging agriculturalists around the world. How do you prepare for the inevitable? How do you recover? Join the conversation on what you have learned and ask questions about what support there is for creating greater resilience on the land and in your community.

# 7. Supporting Mental Health in Regenerative Agriculture

Pojoaque Room. Facilitator: Chad Reznicek. Speaker: Bobby Wilson.

The agricultural profession is among the most stressful careers in the U.S. With constant pressure, often from factors outside of their control, America's agricultural community is suffering from skyrocketing rates of suicide, substance abuse, and other behavioral health struggles. Join us in a roundtable discussion on the stressors facing today's farmers and ranchers, as well as a collaborative conversation around how to best build grassroots networks of support for this important population.

# 8. Practical Naturopathic Approaches to Animal Health\*

Lamy Room. Facilitator: Kathryn Bedell. Speaker: Dr. Hubert Karreman.

The animals are always telling us how they are, but do we know what they're saying? Join this discussion on learning from animals, practical modes of natural treatments for livestock, such as botanicals, biologics, and homeopathics. We want to hear your experiences, successes and challenges of working with animals in more holistic ways. (*Thursday only*)

#### 9. Regenerative Research

Nambe Room. Facilitator: Linda Pechin-Long. Participants: Casey Wade and Hugh Aljoe. Speaker: Dr. Aidee Guzman.

Research on the effectiveness of regenerative agriculture is quickly helping to prove not only the environmental benefits these practices provide, but also the potential profitability it can offer the

producers using these practices. Key to research on regenerative practices is on-farm/on-ranch research as well as successful collaborations between research institutions and producers who need to understand the potential ramifications of these practices to make effective management decisions. Come prepared to share your own research efforts and challenges to help others learn from your successes and learnings. Also be prepared to discuss what types of research problems we still need research institutions to tackle for us to take regenerative agriculture to the next level.

# 10. Addressing the Meat Processing Logjam\*

Lamy Room. Facilitator: Carrie Balkcom.

A discussion about the obstacles in accessing or developing meat processing plants, as well as accessing USDA grants, loans and other resources to expand meat and poultry system in the United States. We want to hear about your challenges, successes, and everything in between, and how you envision our future of regeneratively grown meat. *(Friday only)* 

# 11. Apart From to A Part Of: Creating Connection in Rural Ag Communities\*

Coronado Room. Facilitators: Julie Sullivan and Luka Samson. Contributors: New Agrarian Program apprentices and alumni.

Rural communities often benefit from enthusiastic newcomers arriving to help out on farms and ranches, thus revitalizing land and society. Yet newcomers often feel unwelcome or unsure of how to become part of their new place. Beginning agrarians often relocate frequently for years; what helps build community in spite of transiency? Locals usually want to see a person stick around a few years before investing in them, while newcomers want to share their ideas and skills right away. Join us as we explore what NAP alumni and apprentices have tried in their various communities, share your own ideas, and consider what locals could do to better support new agrarians eager to become part of, and contribute to, their new home town. (Friday only)

#### Roundtable Sessions

#### 12. So you Think you're Regenerative? Partnering with Food Companies to Regenerate Acres\*

Kearny Room. Facilitators: Hannah Tikalsky, Chelsea Carey, and Jessica Chiartas.

For the first time - thanks to years of incredible efforts - food company interest in regenerative may be on pace with farmer and rancher interest. Regenerative supply networks offer myriad benefits - and yet very few food companies have started the process to truly regenerate. All of us have connections with food companies, farmers/ ranchers, or both. Please join this roundtable discussion on collaborative approaches to regenerating supply networks in order to hasten the food system we all seek. (Friday only)

#### 13. Unconference Experience

Sweeney Room E and F. Facilitators: Kyler Grandkoski, CJ Ames, and Marie VonAncken.

Not your average roundtable! The unconference experience will feature an open space-style facilitation wherein participants work together to build their own roundtable(s) - you can come and pitch a topic idea or come and experience some great pitches and then vote amongst yourselves to have the conversations you're most interested in having. This is a great opportunity for anyone with an interest in learning new facilitation, collaboration and participatory processes. No cap to the number of participants.

# Sign up!

Sign up early for your roundtables of choice, as they tend to fill up quickly! Roundtables happen concurrently, so you can attend one each day. Sign up sheets are near the registration desk.

Want to host a topic not offered? Sign up for the unconference.



Educating, inspiring and connecting people with new ideas and networks that advance healthy soils & healthy communities.



#### ~ A Taste of What We Do ~



Field Day January 16, 2024



EcoFarm Regenerative Ag Regenerative Winegrower Workshop 2024 dates TBA



Gathering Fire Facilitation Training for Rural Women 2024 dates TBA



Nicole Masters Workshop on Reading the Landscape



Regenerative Ag Learning Journey for Investors & Funders



Plant Sap Analysis Workshop for Farmers & Ranchers

Learn more: paicineslearning.org/#sign-up



# **Dining Afield**

Squash Blossom provides a list of local restaurants that bring healthier food to our community and strengthen our local economy by supporting local farmers.

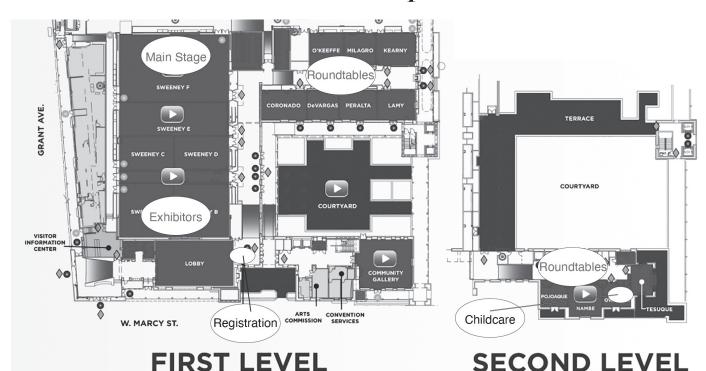
Enjoy one of many Santa Fe restaurants that source local:

- Andiamo!
- Arroyo Vino
- Aruna Café
- Backroad Pizza
- Café Pasqual's
- Crumpackers Fresca!
- Dolina
- Dinner For Two
- Dr. Field Goods
- Fire & Hops
- Horno
- Izanami

- Institute of American Indian Arts
- Joseph's Culinary Pub
- La Boca
- La Choza
- La Mama
- Paloma
- Paper Dosa
- Santa Fe School of Cooking
- Taberna
- The Kitchen at Plants of the Southwest
- The Shed

Scan the QR code to visit the Squash Blossom website and learn more about each restaurant.

# Venue Map







# AMERICAN GRASSFED

**ASSOCIATION** 

#### AMERICAN MADE

AGA bolsters the success of Certified American Grassfed producers in the marketplace by partnering with retailers, government officials, industry leaders, and educators. AGA connects consumers with certified producers through Taste of America, newsletters, social media outreach, and campaigns.





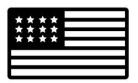
#### **PROCESSING**

AGA works with the NSAC to improve policy for processing facilities and to increase access for small scale and multi-species producers.

#### **TRANSPARENCY**

AGA's standards ensure that the products are not only 100% certified grassfed, but also are non-GMO, antibiotic free, and raised with humane practices.





#### "PRODUCT OF USA"

AGA is working side by side with the USDA to make more stringent guidelines for Product of USA labeling after a recent executive order used exact verbiage from an AGA Product of USA petition.

#### HONEST LABELING

AGA works with many organizations to improve labeling laws, fight for COOL GIPSA, and several other issues that affect American Family Farmers and to prevent "grass-washing" in the marketplace.





#### REGENERATION

AGA partners with educational organizations to offer guidance on the best regenerative practices. AGA Producers go beyond sustainability, they regenerate land using restorative grazing.

The American Grassfed Association (AGA) is a national membership-based multi-species organization dedicated to protecting and promoting grassfed producers and grassfed products through education, marketing, research, and government relations.

AGA offers the first and only all-American grassfed certification in the U.S. We currently offer the following certifications:

- Cattle
- Bison
- Goats
- Lamb
- Dairy
- Pastured Pork

AGA's standards are written for producers by producers. AGA also consults with veterinarians, animal scientists, and other professionals and experts in the field to ensure we are offering the best standards in the industry. Best for farmers, animals, and consumers as endorsed by the Organic Consumers Association and Consumer Reports.

The Certification grants permission to label products with the AGA label and to use AGA's grassfed claim for your marketing.

COOL= Country of Origin Labeling
GIPSA= Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration
IOIA= International Organic Inspectors Association



The AGA label is the USA only grassfed label consumers trust to ensure the products they buy are:

- Raised on 100% forage diet
- Allowed to roam open pasture. No feedlot feeding or confinement.
- Never given antibiotics or added hormones
- On a farm inspections required every 15 months.

American family farms. No offshore farms

All membership forms, certification step-bystep guides, and Grassfed Ruminant and Dairy and Pastured Pork standards available for download at

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# 7 STEPS TO BECOME A CERTIFIED AGA PRODUCER

#### 1) DOWNLOAD DOCUMENTS

Download the Membership and Certification Submission Checklist to help guide you through the process. Download a copy of the Ruminant, Pastured Pork or Dairy Standards. Please make sure to read them thoroughly and if any questions remain please email us at standards@americangrassfed.org.

#### 2) AGA MEMBERSHIP

forms without a current membership PRIOR to scheduling and submitting an inspection.

#### FARM INSPECTION

programs, we can work with that inspector for ruminant and pastured pork to do the AGA on-farm inspection at the same time, and they will advise you as to the cost (if any) of the bundled inspections. Dairy inspectors must have completed an IOIA course.

Once you choose a company or person to conduct the inspection, the inspector must contact AGA for a link to the proper online inspection form. If you can't find an inspector in your area, please email us at standards@americangrassfed.org.

#### 4) INSPECTION SUBMITTED TO AGA

Once the inspection is completed, the inspector must submit the information via the instructions on the form.

#### 5) CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE REVIEW

Our Certification Committee will review all submitted paperwork Once they determine that you qualify for Certified AGA Producer status, AGA will send you paperwork to complete the process.

#### 6) AGA LICENSING AGREEMENT

Sign and return the licensing agreement, that you will be sent, along with payment to AGA. You must send AGA a copy of your label for our files. Upon receipt of the signed documents, label, and payment, AGA will issue your certification. Once you are approved and licensed, you can use the AGA Grassfed logo on your labels and promotional materials.

And remember, if you see that logo being used on products you doubt meet the AGA standards, please tell us! Together, we will maintain the integrity of the AGA brand, the original, oldest and USA-only grassfed certification in the United States.

#### 7) STAY CURRENT!



#### **About Us**

Since 1984, Holistic Management International (HMI) has worked with government agencies, NGOs, and businesses that work with family farmers, ranchers, tribal members, and pastoralists to support their communities as they grow and thrive.

We share our educational programs and the knowledge and experience of our worldwide HMI Certified Educator network with these communities to support their adoption and evolution of regenerative agricultural practices that equip them to strengthen their businesses, produce healthier food, and protect the environment.

#### **Our Mission**

Our mission is to envision and realize healthy, resilient lands and thriving communities by serving people in the practice of Holistic Decision-Making and Management.

#### What is Holistic Management®?

Holistic Management is a unique, value-based, adaptive management, decision-making framework that integrates all aspects of planning for social, economic, and environmental considerations.

#### **Benefits of Holistic Management®**

- Unlocks the full potential of your land
- Works in any environment & on any scale
- Helps reduce costs & increase profits
- · Allows for more multi-enterprises
- Helps mitigate risk & stress
- Increases water infiltration & soil moisture
- Increases organic matter & covered ground
- · Improves livestock health & birthing rate
- Supports ecosystem health & improves wildlife habitat
- Increases soil nutrients & decreases need for inputs
- Reduces erosion & builds healthy soil
- · Builds consensus & improves team management
- Promotes & supports better quality of life



**UNIQUE TRAINING** 



FREE DOWNLOADS



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#### Regen Ag School

Coming in April 2024 6-Day Interactive Workshop Dixon Water Foundation's Leo Ranch of Decatur, Texas

Take the guesswork out of planning and decision-making. This dynamic event brings

together grazing experts, experienced land stewards, and all who want to learn and implement effective whole farm/ranch processes. Our unique set of behavior-changing tools integrate and build upon each other to help you optimize the results you want and deserve from your business. We'll cover Financial, Land, and Grazing Planning as well as a host of other topics and exercises. This event is being held in collaboration with the Dixon Water Foundation, 2017 Leopold Conservation Award Winner.



Holistic Management® Foundation
Jan 10 - Feb 21, 2024
Grazing Planning
Jan 23 - Mar 5, 2024
Financial Planning - coming in 2024
Cropping Planning - coming in 2024

Live, interactive webinars are recorded.

#### 1-on-1 Learning

A full 1-on-1 training program in Holistic Management with a Certified Educator where the application and examples used in training are specific to your operation. Training begins on your schedule and graduates have the opportunity to apply for our HMI Certified Educator Training Program!

Courses include:

Holistic Management® Foundation Financial Planning Grazing Planning Cropping Planning Marketing / Business Planning Biological Monitoring Land Planning

Visit our Training Programs page at www.holisticmanagement.org/training-programs.















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Through education, innovation, and collaboration, Quivira works in coalition with ranchers, farmers, government agencies, and others to foster resilience on working lands.

We envision a world where agriculture provides for the health of rural economies and communities, heals social injustice, and regenerates climate, land, water, and ecosystems. We work to grow the community and implementation of regenerative agriculture until it is embraced as a crucial piece of our food systems, our land stewardship, and our solutions to climate change. *Quivira's work, at its foundation, advances the current shift from extractive to regenerative culture and economy.* 

# **Apprenticeships**

**Podcasts** 

Research

**Land Restoration** 

Technical Assistance

Workshops







# Strengthening Southwest Supply Chains for Climate Resilience.

Receive technical support from regional experts and become part of a network dedicated to creating climate solutions and feeding their neighbors.

**Compost and/or biochar production** Transform manure, wood and green waste, and other organic material into valuable compost and biochar that can be used to improve soil and forage. Learn how amend and improve rangelands with compost or biochar aligned with your pasture plans.

**Pasture planning** With grazing management experts, you'll create prescribed grazing plans that optimize soil health and forage production for grass-finishing.

**Business planning and marketing** Get support in marketing grass-finished meat, fiber, or dairy through marketing toolkits, technical support to help optimize carcass utilization, and resources to help sell direct-to-consumers in regional markets. Meat producers will additionally benefit from a regional trade campaign to raise consumer awareness about grass-finished meat.

*In-field workshops* See these practices at work in the field and learn from other producers who are already doing it!

**Climate-smart supply chain gatherings** We will convene ranchers, researchers, agencies, and consumers at annual summits to continue building the network and regional supply chains to support producers like you.

# A partnership of











# Thank you.

The REGENERATE Conference is a community effort made possible through the support of many sponsors, ranchers and farmers who provide food, volunteers who offer up time and other resources, media partners who help amplify the message, and everyone who chooses to come spend valuable time at this event.

We're grateful for your commitment to food and agriculture that provides for both people and planet.



Your feedback is important to us. We'd love to hear about your experience with all things REGENERATE 2023. Please use the QR code to the left or visit the survey link below to take the survey.

regenerateconference.com/conferencesurvey







**TO WHICH WE BELONG** is a documentary that highlights farmers and ranchers leaving behind conventional practices that are no longer profitable or sustainable.

With quiet courage, they are improving the health of our soil and sea to save their livelihoods— and our planet.

For more information, visit our website: **www.towhichwebelong.com** 

