



NOFA-NY's 28th Annual
Organic Farming and Gardening Conference
Jan 22 – 24, 2010
Saratoga Springs, NY

Farmer Scholarship Application

Thank you for your interest in the scholarship program for the NOFA-NY Organic Farming and Gardening Conference. Please complete this application. We will contact you to let you know if you have qualified for a conference scholarship.

The scholarship covers the registration cost for the conference for Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, and any combination of those days. You can apply for 1, 2, or 3 days of registration. Scholarships do not cover meals or lodging. However we can arrange room-sharing if you are interested. Make sure you register for your hotel and meals before January 8th, when pre-registration will close. Meal prices increase for walk-in registrations. You can review the conference schedule and program online at: www.nofany.org.

**Your completed application must be received by January 8th to be considered.
Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.**

Return your completed application to Greg Swartz, Conference Coordinator:
Voice/Fax: (570) 224-8515 or conference@nofany.org
Or mail to: 25 Stone House Rd, Damascus, PA 18415-3516

If you have questions please call or email Greg.

Applicant Information

Name: _____ Farm Name (if applicable): _____
Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Mobile: _____ Email: _____ County: _____

How did you hear about the scholarship program? _____

I am applying for a Beginning Farmer Scholarship (I have started farming within the last 10 years)
The NOFA-NY beginning farmer scholarships are funded by a grant in partnership with the Cornell Small Farms Program with the USDA beginning Farmer and Rancher Program.

I am applying for a General Scholarship

I would like a scholarship to attend these days of the conference (Check 1, 2, or 3 days):

Friday Saturday Sunday

The following questions are optional. The data collected will help us track how well we are reaching our diversity goals.

Gender: Male Female What is your month and year of birth (MM/YYYY): ____/____

Race/Ethnicity: How do you describe yourself? (Please check the one option that best describes you.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Asian American | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Hispanic White |

Section A – I am Currently Farming

Is your farm: Certified Organic Farmer’s Pledge Sustainable Conventional
 Other: _____

Farm name and location (including county) of current farm if different from Applicant Information:

Number of acres under cultivation: _____ Number of people who work with you on the farm: _____

Please briefly describe your operation, including the crops that you grow/animals you raise:

(Skip Section B and continue to Section C)

Section B – I am Not Currently Farming

When do you plan to begin farming: _____ Have you farmed before? Yes No

If yes, was that farm: Certified Organic Farmer’s Pledge Sustainable Conventional
 Other: _____

Farm name and location (including county) of your planned farm if different from Applicant Information:

Do you plan to certify your farm organic? Yes No If yes, when: _____

Number of acres you are considering cultivating: _____ Number of people who might work with you: _____

Please briefly describe the farm you plan to start, including the crops you plan to grow/animals you plan to raise:

(Continue to Section C)

Section C

What are your goals for your farming enterprise?

What are you hoping to learn at the conference?

Is there anything else you would like us to know?

Thank you. You will be contacted shortly.
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