

# Northern Michigan Small Farm Conference 2013

## Workshop Proposal Form

The Northern Michigan Small Farm Conference serves as a vehicle to promote and build a local vibrant agriculture community, to equip the small farm community with the tools to be successful, and to be a forum for the open exchange of ideas within the small farm community. This is accomplished primarily through the annual conference in January, but is also accomplished through the support of other education opportunities throughout the year.

We welcome proposals from a wide range of speakers on a wide range of topics. Due to space limitations we are only able to accept a portion of the workshop proposals submitted. Please answer the following questions as

completely and thoughtfully as you are able, and contact Jen Schaap with any questions about the form or the conference: **northmichsmallfarmconf@gmail.com** or 231-838-8093.

This form can be printed out and mailed to: NMSFC, P.O. Box 2459, Petoskey, MI 49770 or faxed to (501) 635-9279.

There is also an online version of this form available on the NMSFC website: **www.smallfarmconference.com**

The deadline for conference proposals is June 4th, 2012.

### Primary Presenter

*This person will serve as the primary contact person for the proposed workshop.*

Name	
Name of Farm, Business or other Affiliation	
Address	
City, State	
ZIP	
Phone	
Email or Fax	
Preferred contact method	<input type="checkbox"/> email <input type="checkbox"/> phone <input type="checkbox"/> snail mail <input type="checkbox"/> fax

### Secondary Presenter

*Skip this section if there is only one presenter. Your workshop may have more than two presenters, but only two presenters will be comped for registration.*

Name	
Name of Farm, Business or other Affiliation	
Address	
City, State	
ZIP	
Phone	
Email or Fax	
Preferred contact method	<input type="checkbox"/> email <input type="checkbox"/> phone <input type="checkbox"/> snail mail <input type="checkbox"/> fax

### Workshop Description

*This section will be used both to evaluate the workshop proposal and for text as it will appear in the brochure and/or program. We reserve the right to edit the following information for publication.*

Workshop Title	
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## Workshop Description (cont.)

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Workshop Title	
Workshop Description (max 50 words)	
Speaker Bio (max 50 words)	

## Reference

*Please list one reference who will vouch for your ability to present this workshop effectively. We're not looking for only professional speakers, but it will help us to hear an outside opinion of your experience level.*

Reference Name	
Reference email or phone number	

## How will your workshop speak to the needs of the audience at the Northern Michigan Small Farm Conference?

*What specific knowledge will folks take home from your workshop? How will this affect their practice as farmers or as members of the agricultural community?*

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## Which subjects will your workshop cover?

*Select up to three.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Animals on the Farm     | <input type="checkbox"/> Homesteading/Micro-Farming | <input type="checkbox"/> Emerging Issues in Small Ag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Production              | <input type="checkbox"/> Engaged Consumers/Activism | <input type="checkbox"/> For Market Managers         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil and Water          | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> For Beginning Farmers       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Business of Farming | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing                  |  |

## Which presentation format(s) will work for your workshop?

Due to limited space, your willingness to share a workshop slot or sit on a panel increase your chances of being selected. Some of the best presentations have been as part of a panel or shared workshop slot.

- Solo Presentation                       Shared Presentation                       Panel Presentation
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## Further clarification

Do any of the following apply to your workshop?

- Hands-on component                       For Experts: 301  
 Family Friendly                       Keynote Presentation (a shorter but prestigious spot in the program: typically only one each year)  
 Possible Lunch Topic (slightly less formal, with folks coming and going)                       I would be interested in presenting this workshop as part of the conference's year-round programming  
 For Beginners: 101  
 For Intermediates: 201
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## Equipment Needs

What technology and other equipment will you need us to supply?

- digital projector and screen                       laptop computer - PC                       audio amplification  
 analog projection (overhead, slide projector, etc.)                       laptop computer - Apple                       video recording services
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## Speaker Compensation - Lodging

- none required                       one night                       two nights
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## Speaker Compensation - Travel Reimbursement

- none required                       airfare for one person  
 gas money - \$25                       airfare for two people  
 gas money - \$50
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## Speaker Compensation - Other

Are there other ways we can support your workshop? Check the box and a conference representative will follow up with you to discuss these further.

- additional registrations (\$50 value each)                       vendor table (\$80 value)                       conference sponsorship (\$300 value)
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## Speaker Compensation - Honorarium

We would love to compensate every speaker at the highest level but we are simply unable to do so. Please let us know what level of compensation you seek, keeping in mind that we may not be able to choose your workshop based on cost. Total compensation, including lodging and travel, may not exceed \$300 without a special request to the committee.

- none required                       \$100                       \$300  
 \$50                       \$200                       contact me re: compensation
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## May we publish your contact information in the brochure, program or on the website?

- yes                       yes - email only                       no

## May we publish your notes, handouts or presentation on the website?

- yes                       no

## May we record audio or video of your presentation for future publication on our website or elsewhere?

- yes                       no

Questions? Comments? Something we forgot? Want to elaborate on something? The back of this page is left empty for your thoughts. Of course, you are always welcome to contact Jen Schaap at [northmichsmallfarmconf@gmail.com](mailto:northmichsmallfarmconf@gmail.com) or (231) 838-8093. We look forward to reading your application.