

Orleans Regional Winter Vegetable Meeting

Feb. 8th, 2024

1:00 – 4:00 pm

CCE Orleans

12690 Rt 31, Albion, NY 14411

1.25 DEC credits available in 23, 1a, and 10.

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Registration: free. RSVP requested to CCE Orleans at 585-798-4265 by noon on February 6th.

- 12:40 pm Sign-in, visit info tables, coffee
- 1:00 pm Storing Crops for Extended Fall/Winter Sales – Robert Hadad (30 min)
Best practices for storing crops for small-mid scale fresh market operations. Will include practices for both controlled environment and root cellar type storages. Topics include crop preparation, container suggestions, and ideal environmental conditions.
- 1:30 pm Variety Recommendations - Elizabeth Buck and Wil Moss (30 min)
Hear results from recent trials of asparagus, sweet potato, okra, broccoli, and potatoes.
- 2:00 pm What do Food Safety Law Updates Mean for You? - Robert Hadad (20 min)
Recent updates include sales recordkeeping requirements, particularly for auction growers, and continued phase-in of water testing rules.
- 2:20 pm Industry Updates (10 min)
Hear what's new from local ag company reps and agencies.
- 2:30 pm Break (15 min)
- 2:45 pm Identifying & managing diseases - Elizabeth Buck
This session will cover the identification of cucurbit, tomato, or brassica diseases. Best preventative management practices and organic and conventional spray program examples will be included.
- 3:15 pm Adjuvants in Agriculture: A black box of chemicals that we need to use more effectively. Prof. Christophe Duplais, Dept. of Entomology, Cornell University
There are a large number of adjuvants with different roles in improving the efficacy of insecticides, fungicides and herbicides. However, it's difficult to know which is the right one. This talk will review their role and give examples of success, lack of gain, or negative effect. You'll learn about tools to help you choose the right adjuvants.
- 3:45 pm Pesticide Updates – Elizabeth Buck
Recent regulatory updates will be covered. Topics may include new registrations, proposed chlorothalonil use reductions, neonic updates, new EPA-ESA requirements, etc.
- 4:00 pm Adjourn. Qualifying attendees pick up DEC credits.