

**COABC CONFERENCE THE NEXT GENERATION (SIDNEY, MAR 4 - 6 2011 )**

**SCHEDULE**

**Friday, Mar. 4**

9:00 - 12:00	<b>An Information / Training Session with the Canada Organic Office (COO) for CFIA Accredited CBs</b>
12:00	Lunch (pick up your bag)
12:00 - 6:00	<b>VO/CB/CC Professional Development with your CVB (AB): Anne Macey &amp; Rochelle Eisen</b>
5:00 - 8:00 pm	Registration: Outside Bodine
7:00 - 8:00	<b>Canadian Organic Aquaculture Standards? Ted Zettel</b>
7:00 - 8:00	<b>Urban Farming: Beyond Community Gardens and Local Food. Chris Thoreau</b>
8:00 - 9:30	<b>Reception (cash bar) and nibbles</b>

**Saturday, Mar. 5**

7:00 - 8:00	Silent Auction and Trade Show set up (open at 8:00am for viewing). Silent Auction closes at 8:30 pm
7:30 - 9:00	Registration: Outside Bodine
7:30 - 8:15	Light breakfast
8:15 - 8:45	<b>Natural on the Coattails of Organic: Dag Falck</b>
8:45 - 9:15	<b>Canada's Organic Sector Brand Strategy: Gunta Vitins</b>
9:30 - 9:45	<b>Greeting from Provincial and Federal representatives</b>
9:45 - 11:15	Workshops: <b>Livestock from field to plate: Sheila and Ron Hamilton</b> <b>The Value Chain Puzzle - Finding the Missing Pieces: Dag Falck &amp; Jason Boyce</b> <b>Soil ecology and alternative mulches for blueberry: Tom Forge</b>
11:15 - 11:30	Coffee & Treats - Break for movement between workshops
11:30 - 1:00	Workshops: <b>Innovative Cover Cropping and Conservation Tillage Systems: John Luna</b> <b>Developing and Maintaining a Farm: Legal Considerations: Wanda Gorsuch &amp; Robert Thompson &amp; Miko Ross</b> <b>Growing Up Organic: the successes, blunders and surprises on Salt Spring Island: Pat Reichert</b>
1:00 - 1:45	Lunch:
1:45 - 3:15	Workshops: <b>UBC research: grains in eco-friendly crop rotations: Art Bomke &amp; Wayne Temple</b> <b>Community Farms, Land leasing and other ownership models: Jen Cody, Nichola Walkden, Heather Pritchard</b> <b>Passing on Market Garden Secrets: Hermann Bruns</b>

## Saturday, Mar. 5

3:15 - 3:30	Coffee & treats
3:30 - 5:00	Workshops: <b>Cooperating for Profit: Heather Stretch (45 min) &amp; Creating A Successful Farm Apprenticeship Program: Mary Alice Johnson (45 min)</b> <b>JA from inulin to feed - new value chain opportunity: Larry Whetstone (45 min) &amp; The 30-20 Conservation Gardening System: John Luna (45 min)</b> <b>Innovations in wire worm management: Todd Kabaluk</b>
5:30 - 6:00	<b>Appetizers (cash bar)</b>
6:00 - 7:00	Banquet & Founder's Award <b>KEYNOTE: Where Innovation and Impact meet - Vancity speaks as a financial co-operative about finance, food and farming: David Berge</b>
7:00 - 7:20	<b>KEYNOTE: Slow Money: Ari Derfel</b>
7:20 - 7:40	<b>Keynote: Q &amp; A</b>
7:40 - 8:00	final bidding on Silent Auction
8:00 - 8:30	Social time and swinging to the Jugbandits (cash bar)
8:00 - 10:00	

## Sunday, Mar. 6

8:30 - 9:00	Light breakfast
9:00 - 10:30	Workshops: <b>Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency down on the Farm: Guy Dauncey</b> <b>On the Shelf: Howard Joynt</b> <b>The bees needs: Ted Leischner</b>
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee & treats
10:45 - 11:30	<b>Who's Who in the COR/COS/OFC/SIC/CGSB/OTA/COG Continuum, Where Are We, and Next Steps: Ted Zettel</b>
11:30 - 12:45	<b>COABC AGM</b>
12:45 - 1:45	Lunch
1:45 - onwards	Wrap up and farewell
afternoon	COABC Board Orientation