



The National Center for Suburban Studies at Hofstra University along with The Long Island Food Coalition, formerly Long Island Small Farm Initiative, and The North Shore Land Alliance are proud to present a conference on

The State of Long Island Local Suburban Agriculture

Where do we grow from here?

This conference will bring together local experts in the fields of sustainable food production and distribution representing the current practices in both agriculture and aquaculture of the area. There will be opportunity to discuss obstacles to our local food system that are impeding sustainable progress. The desired outcome from this gathering of experts is to lay down the pathway for a vibrant local food system, one that supports growers committed to providing the community access to high quality products.

April 19, 2018 9am – 1pm Hofstra's Student Center Theatre 151

Keynote Speaker: Mark Winne has worked for 40 years as a community food activist, writer, and trainer. From organizing breakfast programs for low-income children in Maine to developing innovative national food policies in Washington, DC, Winne has dedicated his professional life and writing to enabling people to find solutions to their own food problems as well as those that face their communities and the world.

Existing Framework related to our local food system

- NY Farm Bureau
- NYS Ag and Markets
- Suffolk County

Present systems –Are they sustainable?

- Restoration Farm
- LI Greenmarket Inc.
- Blindbat Brewery

Importance of local agriculture to Health and Education

- Orkestai Farms
- Blossom Sustainable Development
- Waldorf School Garden

Suburban Agriculture Forming Communities

- Liberty Village Veteran's Garden
- TOH Conservation and Waterways -Shellfish
- Cornell Cooperative Extension – Nassau

Open to the public

Cost is free but hurry seats are limited

Preregistration is required for attendance

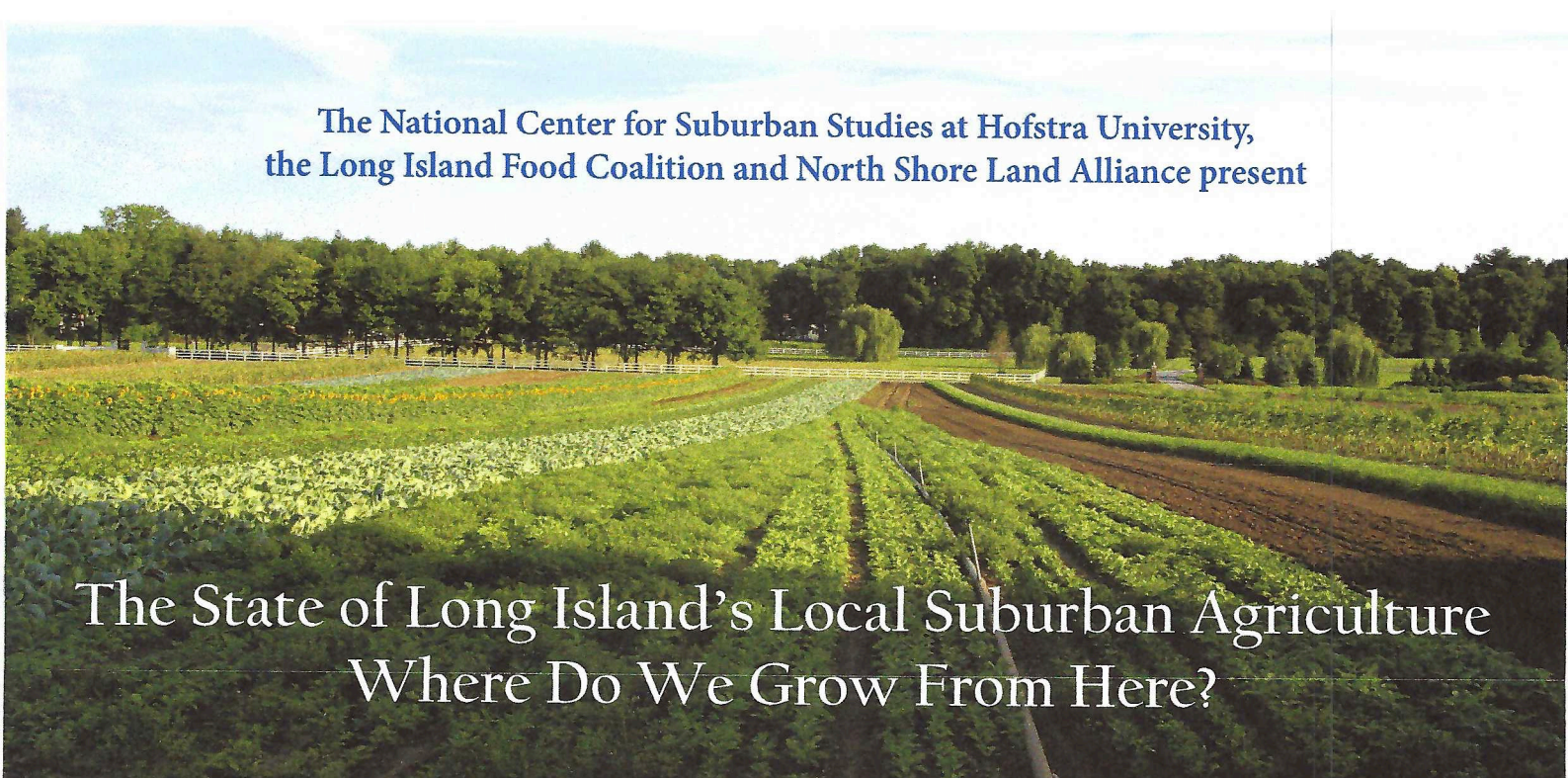
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Featuring Mark Winne
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Panel Discussions:

- Existing framework related to our local food system
- Present local food system - Are they sustainable?
- Importance of local agriculture to health and education
- Suburban agriculture forming communities



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Panel Discussions:

Panel 1: Existing Framework Related to our Local Food System

Moderator: Bhavani Jaroff, iEat Green

Speakers: Rob Carpenter, NY Farm Bureau; Ehle Schate,
NYS Ag
and Markets and August Ruckdeschel, Suffolk County

**Panel 2: Topic: Present Local Food System - Are they
Sustainable?**

Moderator: Sandra Garren, Phd., Hofstra University
Speakers: Caroline Fanning, Restoration Farm; Bernadette
Martin,
LI Greenmarket, Inc. and Paul Dlugokencky, Blindbat
Brewery

**Panel 3: Topic: Importance of Local Agriculture to Health
and Education**

Moderator: Sharryn M. Kasmir, Phd., Hofstra University
Speakers: Alethia Vasilas, Orkestai Farms; Aiyana Smith,
Blossom
Sustainable Development and Jeannine Davis, Waldorf
School Garden

Panel 4: Suburban Agriculture Forming Communities

Moderator: Iman Marghoob, Long Island Community
Gardens Association
Speakers: Mary Callanan, Liberty Village Veteran's
Garden; Donna Lanzetta Manna, Fish Farms and Greg
Sandor, Cornell Cooperative Extension