

Pre-conference Workshops

Stone Laboratory, Gibraltar Island on Lake Erie*

Established in 1895, Stone Laboratory is the oldest freshwater biological field station in the United States. Located on Gibraltar Island near Put-in-Bay, Ohio, join us for a tour of Gibraltar Island and experience our passion for education and research as well as a close up look at Civil War financier Jay Cooke's Castle, Oliver Perry's War of 1812 Lookout, the island's glacial grooves, our unique colony of Lake Erie Water Snakes, the solar pavilion and the Stone Laboratory classroom building. Visit the solar panels and solar thermal installations on the island to learn about the partnership between OSU Extension and Stone Lab to promote renewable energy through research, education, and outreach. Other activities may include a science cruise aboard one of our research boats, a tour of the Aquatic Visitors Center – a historic fish hatchery on South Bass Island – and a visit to the South Bass Island Lighthouse which was first lit July 10, 1897.

*Please note a minimum of 10 people are required to conduct the science cruise. If there are not enough people for the science cruise a tour of the lighthouse will be offered instead. It is suggested that you wear substantial shoes, carry water, and bring a jacket in case of rain. Lunch is included; drive time is roughly 3 hours round-trip (transportation provided). Maximum: 20

To learn more: <https://stonelab.osu.edu/> <https://ohioseagrant.osu.edu/> <https://www.putinbay.com/>
<https://www.nps.gov/pevi/index.htm> <https://www.millerferry.com/cal/put-in-bay-music-festival/>

Engaging Community Through the Performing Arts

BEAUTIFUL: The Carole King Musical tells the inspiring true story of King's remarkable rise to stardom, from being part of a hit songwriting team with her husband Gerry Goffin, to her relationship with fellow writers and best friends Cynthia Weil and Barry Mann, to becoming one of the most successful solo acts in popular music history. Along the way, she made more than beautiful music, she wrote the soundtrack to a generation. (*Show Run Time: Approximately 2 hours 50 minutes*)

After the show, take a behind the scenes educational tour. With five fully restored historic theaters (built 1921-22), Playhouse Square is the largest theater restoration project in the world. Join us for a tour and find out how these gems were saved from the wrecking ball. Today, Playhouse Square is the largest performing arts center outside of New York City, hosting nearly one million guests and 1,000 curtains each year. Maximum: 50

To learn more: <http://www.playhousesquare.org/>

Shared-Use Kitchen Development and Support for Community Development Professionals

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\$30, Minimum 10 people, 9am – 3pm with possible tour of shared-kitchen

In this workshop, we will learn about the different definitions and models of shared kitchens and the planning process for creating a kitchen in a community. We will highlight the benefits of shared kitchens and explore the potential roles for Extension agents in regards to supporting shared kitchens. We will discuss many of the different assessments; technical assistance and facilitation processes involved and help participants understand the needs of a kitchen project in their communities.

On the research side, we will learn about two national surveys conducted to assess shared kitchen models as well as the process for evaluating the economic impact of kitchens using IMPLAN.

This workshop is for Extension agents with and without experience with shared kitchens. Each participant will receive a copy of the *Shared Kitchen Toolkit*, written and developed by Ms. Meader McCausland and Dr. Ashley Colpaart, Owner of The Food Corridor.

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Tuesday's Mobile Learning Workshops

Ohio City: Hyper-local Sustainability*

Witness hyper-local sustainability efforts in the historic Cleveland neighborhood of Ohio City by visiting three local food sites that are all within one street block of each other. The Ohio City Farm, Great Lakes Brewing Company, and Mitchell's Ice Cream have promoted neighborhood revitalization and the local foods movement through collaborative local sourcing. Participants will begin their tour at the Ohio City Farm, the largest contiguous urban farm in the United States. Tour the farm while enjoying a view of the city skyline and learn about farm tenant and local non-profit Refugee Response. Then head over to the Great Lakes Brewing Company (GLBC), for a tour of the brewpub and facilities. GLBC partners with Ohio City Farm each year to grow hops that are used to produce small batch microbrews, and purchases local produce from Refugee Response. GLBC has a variety of environmental and social sustainability practices, including social panels, waste diversion, fair wages, and more. End your tour at Mitchell's Ice Cream who also sources local ingredients, including beer from GLBC for special limited edition ice creams. Mitchell's Ice Cream has incorporated sustainability into their business model as well, including a rainwater harvesting system that collects and filters gray water, which is used in Mitchell's restrooms. This tour

emphasizes neighborhood collaboration and sustainability at a truly hyper-local scale. Minimum: 15, maximum: 30.

To learn more: <http://www.ohiocity.org/>

Cleveland: What a Surprise!*

Experience one of National Geographic Traveler's '[Best of the World' places to visit in 2018!](#) Discover Cleveland's new cultural energy and modern-day renaissance, where historical and traditional roots remain strong. Join this professionally narrated tour: First stop is Edgewater Park for a box lunch. Then on to: Ohio City & Tremont developing neighborhoods; the Gateway Sports Complex (Quicken Loans Arena & Progressive Field); Playhouse Square (largest theater district outside of NYC); the Cleveland Clinic Campus; Little Italy & Lakeview Cemetery; University Circle's renewed cultural center (four museums & home of the Cleveland Orchestra); the Cultural Gardens; then along the Lake Erie Shoreline back to North Coast Harbor (Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, Great Lakes Science Center & First Energy Stadium); Downtown; the Flats East Bank & the Warehouse District. There will be several stops to stretch, enjoy the scenery, and take photos. Maximum: 38

For more info: <https://lollytrolley.com/>

Spice Acres: Regional Collaboration for Rural/Urban Health*

Nestled within the 5-county Greater Cleveland MSA containing over 2 million people, what is known today as the Cuyahoga Valley National Park owes its origins to engaged and forward-thinking local citizens, state and national officials ([check out some history here](#)). It was established as the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area in 1974 and the CVNP name became official in 2000.

In 1999, The [Countryside Initiative](#), an effort of the Countryside Conservancy, was begun as a way to enable farming within the rural landscape of the CVNP.

The Spice Acres farm is one of the eleven working farms that are part of this initiative. This workshop will enable you to tour the farm and learn about the collaborative partnerships that support small-scale sustainable farming practices in a national park situated within 20 miles of the Cleveland urban core. Engage in planting, picking, and learn how to prepare these fresh, local and healthy foods by the chefs at Spice Kitchen + Bar. Minimum: 25, maximum: 30.

For more info: <http://spiceacres.com/>

From Burning to Earning: Restoring the Cuyahoga River*

Take a scenic trip up the Lower Cuyahoga River Area of Concern on the Cleveland Metroparks water taxi. The journey will start at Merwin's Wharf, a Metroparks-owned pub located on the river in the heart of the city, and wind up the 'Crooked River' pausing to observe areas where river restoration actions have been implemented. Examples include areas where fish habitat has been installed within the shipping channel, erosion has been remediated along the river banks with best management practices, and public

access points have been established. Members of the Cuyahoga River Area of Concern Advisory Council will serve as our guides. Total time of the tour (not including lunch) will be approximately 2 hours. Includes a waterfront buffet lunch at the Cleveland Metroparks' Merwin's Wharf restaurant. Minimum: 10, maximum: 15.

For more info: <https://clevelandmetroparks.com/parks/visit/parks/lakefront-reservation/merwin-s-wharf>

Cleveland Neighborhood Progress*

Cleveland Neighborhood Progress is a local community development funding intermediary with nearly thirty years of experience investing in community revitalization work in the city of Cleveland. It serves a unique function as the only local intermediary in the region and is proud to be a nationally recognized as a leader for engaging the best practices in various facets of nonprofit programming. Through a network of locally based Community Development Corporations, CNP provides funding, service, training, capacity building support to all neighborhoods in the city of Cleveland.

Join us for a tour of Cleveland neighborhoods – Slavic Village, Old St. Luke's Hospital area, Gordon Square Arts District and Battery Park/Edgewater Park - to learn about CNP's success and engage with local stakeholders and CDC staff. Minimum: 20, maximum: 35.

For more info: <http://www.clevelandnp.org/>

Urban Agriculture Innovation Zone*

Urban agriculture is a fundamental thread that connects the tapestries of the Cleveland neighborhoods together. Cleveland is nationally known for its support of urban agriculture through policy, zoning, and funding; this is an opportunity to experience successful urban agriculture businesses that promote social equity, inclusion, and innovative business ventures. First stop will be at The Vineyards and Bio-cellar of Chateau Hough: an urban vineyard devoted to growing quality produce and revitalizing Cleveland, while utilizing innovative educational and entrepreneurial strategies to assist at-risk youth, veterans, and previously incarcerated individuals. Continuing on the tour, the second stop will be Rid-All Green Partnership – Growing Food, Jobs, and Green Neighborhoods. Hear about the innovative farming techniques Rid-All is utilizing and their success in growing healthy communities, relationships, and food. Lastly, ranked as the largest food-production greenhouse in an urban core in the US, Evergreen Cooperative prides itself on quality, sustainability, and transforming the lives of local neighborhoods through green jobs. Explore the Evergreen Cooperative facilities and experience a unique urban agriculture experience unlike any other. Lettuce show you Cleveland, you can't *beet* this tour! Minimum: 20; maximum: 35.

Revitalization in the Historic Warehouse District

Deemed Cleveland's first neighborhood, take a walk through the Warehouse District in the heart of Downtown Cleveland. Guided by the Gateway District Staff, the tour will begin at Constantino's Market,

an urban fresh market located at the bottom floor of a renovated warehouse building. While walking, tour attendees will encounter historical actors that portray local, change makers in Cleveland's history who will explain the city's importance during the industrial revolution era and current efforts in historic preservation. Included in this tour is the opportunity to stop into buildings, small boutiques, and learn more about current development projects in the Warehouse District and the Flats. Minimum: 20; maximum: 30.

Bike the Emerald Necklace*

Join us for a guided bike tour of the Cleveland Metroparks recent development projects including Rivergate Park and Edgewater Beach. Cleveland Metroparks owns and manages 18 parks and the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, which together contain over 23,200 acres, hundreds of trail miles, seven nature/science visitor centers, eight golf courses, over 50 picnic areas, and other high-quality park infrastructure. By providing park areas and access to an array of outdoor activities, Cleveland Metroparks generates numerous economic benefits within the local community. The 6-mile round trip bike tour will make stops in various neighborhoods to explore the community impacts of park and trail projects and hear from other critical community partners. A \$40 charge covers bike/helmet rental and a waterfront buffet lunch at the Cleveland Metroparks Merwin's Wharf restaurant. Minimum: 20; maximum: 30.

For more info: <https://clevelandmetroparks.com/parks/visit/parks/lakefront-reservation/merwin-s-wharf>

Cleveland Rocks! Or Great Lakes Science Center (self-guided)

Located on Cleveland's North Coast, participants can spend their Tuesday afternoon visiting the world's foremost museum devoted to the celebration and preservation of rock and roll music. As one recent visitor noted: There is so much to see—a sensory overload. Great displays and a mixture of things to see and read, along with hands-on activities. We're already talking about going back within the year.

If you prefer science instead of music, a visit to the Great Lakes Science Center is a must: invent, design, tinker and create! Home of the NASA Glenn Visitor Center, makes science come alive through hundreds of hands-on exhibits, special traveling exhibitions, and the six-story Cleveland Clinic Dome Theater.

Lastly, perhaps you would like to go back in time and see what life was like on board a working Great Lakes freighter and tour the William Mather Steamship, a restored 618-foot historic flagship. Visitors can explore the 1925-built Mather from stem to stern and see its huge cargo holds, brass and oak pilot house, elegant guest quarters and four-story engine room. Walk the decks and marvel at the "engineering firsts" that helped transform Northeast Ohio into a great industrial center. Experience the golden era of steamships on one of the best. Steamship tour is included in either the Rock Hall of Fame or Great Lakes Science Center. No participation minimum or maximum.

All tours are self-guided.

For more info: <https://www.rockhall.com/> <http://greatscience.com/>
<http://greatscience.com/explore/exhibits/william-g-mather-steamship>

Wednesday/Thursday Post-Conference Workshops

Collaboration for Extension Programming in Community Development

Communities face a variety of external and internal factors that influence their choices of how to identify, plan for, and organize community responses to critical issues. However, as state Extension budgets adjust to new and changing conditions, many states do not have the capacity to develop and adapt programming or potentially provide the breadth of programming that a given community may need to respond adequately to the issues they face now and in the future. Thus, CD program leaders in the north-central region are establishing a framework, plan and process for collaborating across the region to allow sharing, collaborative developing, training, and cross-state programming to benefit more communities. This NACDEP post-conference workshop will be the first national effort to organize this framework and plan and to start this collaboration. NOTE: Includes Thursday morning breakfast buffet. Minimum: 15, maximum: 50.