

BC URBAN CHICKENS



Some cities in British Columbia permit urban chickens and others don't. Some residents are lobbying their municipalities to change bylaws to permit chickens and the City of Kamloops has agreed to test it out for 6 months. If you are interested in urban chickens, this link is for you... www.farmfolkcitcityfolk.ca

MEET YOUR MAKER – CONNECTING LOCAL FOOD PRODUCERS AND BUYERS

Calling all food producers and food buyers... please join us for the 2nd annual Meet Your Maker event, Tuesday, February 10th in Vancouver. This event is modeled after Portland's Farmer-Chef Connection, but we expand it to include all types of food producers and food buyers. This 2009 agenda was created with input from last year's 150 attendees. The invitation, agenda and registration is all on the Get Local website at www.getlocalbc.org



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MEET YOUR MAKER
Where food producers and food buyers find each other
Tuesday, February 10, 2009. Vancouver, BC.

A LOOK AT LIFE ON THE FARM



"In 1931, almost one in three Canadians, or about 32 per cent, lived on a farm. In 2006, it was one in 46, or about two per cent.... " This is a very interesting and quick to read article, but what's as interesting are the Comments Posted under the article. These farmers tell it like it is.
<http://www.cbc.ca/canada/story/2009/01/06/f-farm-stats.html>

DINE OUT VANCOUVER – JANUARY 14 TO FEBRUARY 1

Vancouver's delicious celebration of BC food and wine is back! Enjoy a three-course dinner at over 180 of Vancouver's hottest restaurants for \$18, \$28 or \$38* per person, complemented by fabulous BC VQA wine pairing suggestions. For a list of participating restaurants, please visit <http://www.tourismvancouver.com/visitors/dining/dineout.php>



Presented by 

BC FOODSERVICE EXPO – JANUARY 25 & 26



BC Place Stadium, Sunday January 25 from 11-5pm and Monday January 26 from 10-5pm.

For more information, please visit
<http://www.crfa.ca/tradeshows/bcfse/>

VANCOUVER GRAIN CSA – COMING SOON



First there was the Kootenay Grain CSA...and now...Vancouver!

“Urban Grains is a community supported agriculture program based in Vancouver, B.C. Currently in the early stages of development, we hope to be the first ever CSA to provide local B.C. grain to people living in the Vancouver area. Our first year of operation (2008/2009) will be a pilot project, aimed at increasing the viability of grain farming for B.C.’s producers, while also broadening the options for local eating in our region.

Although we are not yet soliciting members, we encourage everyone interested in the program to join our mailing list. Not only will we keep you updated on the project’s development, but you’ll also be given priority when we begin the membership registration process. Keep in mind that, while no commitment is necessary, spots are limited, so we highly recommend that you sign up early.

To join our mailing list, simply fill out the form [on this website]”

<http://www.rocksandwater.ca/urbangrains>

CANADIAN CONSUMERS GUIDE TO G.E. INGREDIENTS

From Abra Brynne (Peeling the Onion)...January 2009: I am pleased to be able to announce that I have finally found the time to revisit and update my 2000 publication entitled “A Canadian Consumer’s Guide to ingredients which may have been genetically engineered: or, How to become a detective in your own food system.” The booklet is 18 pages long and contains detailed information on how to identify derivatives from genetically engineered crops in processed foods. Please feel free to download and circulate the Guide as widely as you wish. Visit <http://www.peelingtheonion.ca> and click on “What.”



CHICKEN & THE EGG DANCE



This is where farm folks and city folks kick up their heels together!

Organized by the Organic Friends of the Future

What time: 6:00-11:00 pm

Where: Capri Hall 3925 Fraser St., Vancouver (at King Edward)

Cost is \$13 (bakers' dozen) for Adults \$6 (half a dozen) for children under 12 years of age.

Tickets available at the Vancouver Farmers Markets. Visit the market booth on these dates: Winter Farmers Market on Jan 17, Jan 31, Feb 14. <http://www.eatlocalbc.org>

COABC AGM – FROM FIELD TO PLATE, BC ORGANIC!



Good for you, Good for the environment. February 20 to 22nd, 2009 at Tradex in Abbotsford. They invite COABC stakeholders, the public and agriculture enthusiasts to attend. For more information, please visit www.certifiedorganic.bc.ca

Happy New Year,
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