

Seed Savers Exchange

3-day Seed Workshop

September 19-21

Tentative Schedule:

Friday – Introduction to Saving and Sharing Seeds

10am Registration and Welcome

10:30am Introductions

11:00am A Brief History of Seeds

12:00pm Lunch and Garden Exploration

1:00pm The Twin Valleys (Farm Tour)

1:00pm Orchard

2:00pm Seed Lab

2:30pm Commercial Building

3:00pm A Seed is a Plant, in a Box, with its Lunch (Seed Biology)

4:00pm Dismissal

Saturday – Flowers Exist to Produce Seeds

9:00am Flowers Exist to Produce Seeds (Flower Anatomy and Pollination)

10:00am Annuals and Annuals-in-Denial (Plant Lifecycles)

10:30am 30 Minutes of Genetics (Genetics)

11:00am OPs vs. F1s (Maintaining Open-Pollinated Varieties)

11:30am Lunch and Pepperfield Trip

2:30pm Managing Promiscuity I (Isolation Techniques)

3:30pm Managing Promiscuity II (Hand Pollination)

Sunday – Who, What, When, and Why to Harvest

- 9:00am (Population Selection)
- 9:30am Market vs. Seed (Growing Plants to Maturity)
- 10:00am Dry Seeds (Processing)
- 11:00am Seed Screen Construction
- 11:30am Lunch
- 12:30pm Wet Seeds (Processing)
- 1:30pm Cool, Dry, Dark (Seed Storage)
- 2:00pm Germ(ination) Test
- 2:30pm How to Share (Seed Swaps/Exchanges)
- 3:00pm Saving Seeds in Your Garden (Garden Planning)
- 4:00pm Farewell