



Soil Sisters Share: A Buffet of Resources, Support & Inspiration for Women Farmers

10:00: Welcome & logistics

Lisa Kivirist
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Soil Sisters Network Start-Ups & Toolkit

My Farm Story:

Advice, Ideas, Tips & Resources to Share

Katy Dickson, Christensen Farm

Farm Tour with Katy

On the tour of Christensen Farm, Katy will share her vegetable operation, hoop house (with NRCS EQIP funding), animals (pigs, layers, meat birds, cows). See how Katy runs the farm with low key and small-scale equipment.

11:30 - 1:00 Networking lunch

After going through the buffet line, please grab a seat at a table based on generally you are on their farming journey:

First Ag event attended; Looking for land, Homesteader looking to start selling, Farming 1-5 years, Farming 5+ years, Etc.

Organizations represented:

Green County Soil & Water Conservation/NRCS:
Tonya Gratz & Meaghan Rafferty
Farm Service Agency/FSA: Katie Demrow & April Prusia/Dorothy's Range
Wisconsin Women in Conservation & Michael Fields Agricultural Institute: Esther Shekinah
Midwest GRIT & Artisan Grain Collaborative:
Christine Johnson & Alyssa Hartman
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Resource Market & Dessert

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Agritourism 101: Farmstays, B&Bs & On-Farm Food Service -- and more!

Hosts: Shelia Everhart (Wisc Agricultural Tourism Assoc) & Lisa Kivirist (Inn Serendipity)

All Things Fiber

Host: LindaDee Derrickson (Bluffwood Landing & Heartland Threads Fibershed)

Working towards Balance in a Business during a Start-Up

Hosts: Bethany Storm & Danielle Weder (Driftless Tannery)

Looking for Land?

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