

THE FARM AT PROPHETSTOWN



A 1920's Farmstead Highlighting Sustainable
Agriculture, Homesteading, Heirloom
Gardening, and Farm to Table Cooking



2022 EVENT SCHEDULE

For more information on The Farm, call 765-567-4700 or email events@prophetstown.org

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Located on 100 acres inside the beautiful Prophetstown State Park



Farm to Table dinners have become a popular addition to our programming. Private dinners at The Farm by Chef Lauren Reed are also now available. Please call 765-567-4700 or email events@prophetstown.org for more information.

Events run rain or shine. Please check our Facebook page [FarmAtProphetstown](#) or our website prophetstown.org for programming updates.

3/19/22 Seed Saving - Join us for information, tips, and FREE heirloom seeds from our seed library. Learn about the importance of saving seeds and how you can get involved! Find out when and how to plant your seeds. *FREE with park admission.* Stop in anytime between 12:00pm-3:00pm. **If you missed this event, come in anytime during business hours to pick out available seeds.*

3/5/22 Planting Seeds with Kids - Explore our seed library and take seeds to start your garden. Children will have the opportunity to plant and take seed starters while learning how to care for the plants. A coloring activity will also be available for those who would like to participate. Planting will take place in the barn, so please dress appropriately. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-2:00pm.

4/9/22 Class-Quick Pickling on The Farm - The practice of pickling has been around for thousands of years, dating back to 2030 BC. Chef Lauren will be teaching you how to make her favorite quick pickles and other pickled veggies. Take home your work to enjoy with your family. \$20 per person. Registration required. Call 765-567-4700 to book your spot. Includes park admission. 1:00pm-2:30pm.

4/16/22 Class- Raising Chickens: The Basics - Chickens were a common animal to find on a 1920's family farm and are still common on small farms all over the world. Poultry breeder and judge, Wyatt Burnside will be on The Farm teaching this class. Learn the basics, benefits, and expectations of raising laying hens. Interact with our flock, in this hands-on class. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-1:30pm.

4/23/22 Class- Exploring Heirloom Apples - Professor Bill Hoover will provide an overview of the Apple Orchard at The Farm. He will review the importance of apples to the food supply and sanitation of farm households in the 1920s. The heirloom apple varieties grown in the orchard will be listed along with how they are being produced. The need to compromise between the cultural practices used in the 1920s, and the objective of maximizing the production of apples of acceptable quality will be defended. He will also discuss the challenge of producing apples on droughty-sandy soil in a livestock pasture subject to deer browsing. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-1:00pm.

4/23/22- Agriculture in History - The Dust Bowl The Dust Bowl-years on the Southern Great Plains from 1932-1940 have been called the worst environ-

mental disaster in American agricultural history. This presentation will discuss the causes and consequences of the Dust Bowl, its effect on farming and daily life, and the federal programs designed to help farmers gain control of their blowing lands. The footprint of the Dust Bowl remains on the Southern Great Plains as evidenced by terraces, strip cropping and irrigation, as well as the creation of the National Grasslands. *FREE with park admission.* 1:00pm-2:00pm.

4/30/22- Puzzles, Puzzles, and More Puzzles - A growing popular indoor diversion in the 1920s was the assembling of picture puzzles. View a display of the children and adult puzzles from the turn of the century in the Gibson House. Try your skill and luck in assembling a puzzle without the aid of a picture! *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-3:00pm.

5/7/22 Preorder Heirloom Vegetable and Herb Plant Sale - The Farm will be selling heirloom vegetable plants and herbs grown in the DNR greenhouse. Your entire purchase supports The Farm at Prophetstown. This will be a preorder event only and will be held at The Farm. Call 765-567-4700 to learn more about the sale and what is available. *FREE with park admission.* 9:00am - 4:00pm.

5/7/22 Native Wildflower & Plants Sale - Sponsored by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, buy straight out of the greenhouse! Over 40 native plant species of wildflowers and grasses to choose from. For more information call 765-567-4919 or email JParks@dnr.IN.gov. *FREE with park admission.* Join us from 9:00am-4:00pm at the DNR Visitor Center.

5/14/22 Class - Crafting Treats for Farm Animals- Everyone loves treats and toys! Animals are no different. Let your creativity go wild and help us build interactive treats for our animal residents. The chickens, horses, JJ the donkey and several other animals, will be happy taste testers! Join us for this fun activity, and watch the animals enjoy your work. *FREE with park admission.* 11:00am-12:30pm.

5/21/22 - A Revolution at The Table - During and after World War 1, Americans experienced a diet transformation. New ideas about nutrition and healthy eating took hold in the 1920s. Stop by the Gibson House to discuss the introduction of the new foods and the diet changes regarding calorie consumption, pick up recipes from the new General Mills spokesperson, Betty Crocker. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-3:00pm.

The Farm staff is dedicated to showing, sharing, and teaching about historic agriculture and the homesteading arts.

6/4/22 Square Dancing in The Barn - The Lafayette Fun Squares will be on The Farm sharing the joys of square dancing. Put on your dancing shoes and join us for this fun, interactive program. *FREE with park admission.* 1:00pm-2:30pm.

6/11/22 Family Day - Please join us for a fun filled day on The Farm! We will have demonstrations, music, vendors, games, food, plenty of animals to see and more. Scott Greeson has performed all around the Midwest and will be playing his unique Americana style folk music in our barn from 11:30am-1:00pm. Stop in and see a fabulous show! *FREE with park admission.* 11:00am-3:00pm.

6/11/22- Music with Rick DeSutter - Born and raised in the small town of Attica, Indiana, Rick grew up listening to his dad's favorite music - CCR, Beach Boys, and John Denver. At age 12, Rick got together with some buddies to form their first band. Ever since, it's been one band after another. Now Rick is taking it back to where it all began, playing his childhood favorites mixed in with his own original, vintage style pop songs. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-1:30pm.

6/12/22- Spinners on The Farm - Thelma, Louise, and Cocoa, the three sheep who live at The Farm, graciously provide beautiful fleeces each year. Discover how to spin their fleeces to create yarn that can be used to make wearable articles. This hands-on program teaches you to build a simple drop spindle (which you can take home after the event) and provides lessons in beginner spinning on that drop spindle. You will be able to investigate spinning on a spinning wheel via short lessons and/or demonstrations. In addition, you might choose to try hands-on experiences with fiber preparation that include flicking and hand carding the wool. Registration required, \$5 per person. Call 765-567-4700 to book your spot! 1:00pm-3:00pm.

6/18/22- Mushrooms in the Garden - Ian Thompson, avid garden and fungal enthusiast will present and discuss methods that nearly anyone can use to successfully cultivate delicious edible mushrooms in their yard or garden. *FREE with park admission.* 11:00am-12:00pm.

6/25/22- Women Farm Operators - How did the farmwomen help in the war effort of World War 1? Who were the independent women farm operators at the turn of the century? What challenges did these women face in the traditional male occupation of farming? Stop at the Tenant House to learn more about the inspirational stories! *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-3:00pm.

7/2/22 Family Picnic - Join us for a family friendly lunch on The Farm. We will serve a buffet lunch that will feature farm beef and pork. Enjoy live music by the Bum Ditty Barn Dance Band as you eat lunch. Picnic tables will be provided. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$7 kids 4-12 and children 3 and under eat FREE. *Park*

admission not included. Call 765-567-4700 for full menu and to book your spot. Reservations required. 11:30am-1:00pm.

7/2/22 1920's Family Fun - Head up to the barnyard for some old-fashioned outdoor games the whole family can enjoy! Enjoy the fresh air, and have a little fun on The Farm. We will have lemonade and popcorn while supplies last. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-3:00pm.

7/3/22 Farm Scavenger Hunt - Immerse yourself in 1920's history with a family friendly scavenger hunt on The Farm. Complete the hunt and receive a treat while supplies last! *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-2:00pm.

7/9/22 Iced Tea on The Porch - Tea has been a popular beverage for centuries and the 1920s was no exception. We will be serving up different teas for you to sample. Find out the many uses for tea and what common plants can make great teas! *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-3:00pm.

7/16/22 Percherons on The Farm - Kris Acheson-Clair will be at The Farm to show off her beautiful Percheron horses. Learn about these gentle giants, and have your photo taken with them. Watch a demo as the horses show how they would have worked on a 1920s farm. *FREE with park admission.* 11:30am-2:00pm.

7/23/22- Neapolitan Ice Cream Social - In the 1870s, ice cream was a popular treat enjoyed by those lucky enough to try it. Neapolitan, also known as Harlequin, was a popular flavor that was all in the rage in 1885. Join us in the Gibson Farmhouse Kitchen for a scoop of nostalgia and to learn about this cool summertime treat. \$3 per cup, while supplies last. *Park admission not included.* 12:00pm-2:00pm.

7/30/22 Concert: American Folk Music on The Farm - Folk music first appeared as early as the 1920s, slowly gaining popularity during the Great Depression. Head up to The Farm and enjoy a family friendly concert by Scott Greeson. Scott and his band have performed all around the Midwest. Enjoy his unique Americana style folk music in our barn! *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-1:30pm.

8/6/22 Gene Stratton Porter - Gene Stratton-Porter (1863—1924) was a farm-raised Hoosier author, widely popular in the 1900's. Many of her books were adapted into films, popular in the 1920's. Stratton-Porter was also a lover of nature and avid supporter of wetland protections in Indiana. Join us at The Farm at Prophetstown to learn more about this Indiana author, her literature, legacy, and her connection to modern-day conservation. *FREE with park admission.* 1:00pm-2:00pm.

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8/20/22- Class- Drying Flowers - Drying flowers is a great way to save flowers and extend their life. Come to The Farm to learn some different methods for drying and see some examples of varieties that make excellent bouquets. *FREE with park admission.* 1:00pm-2:30pm.

8/27/22- A Trip to The Movies - Motion pictures, like the radio, encouraged the breakdown between rural and urban life. Movies pushed Americans closer to a national community with a set of shared experiences. A major transformation in the movies, however, took place in the 1920s. Silent films gave way to "talkies." Visit the tenant house to discuss the changes in the movie experience and the impact of the movies on rural life. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-3:00pm.

9/3/22 Living History on The Farm: The Gibson Kitchen - Feel the heat of the wood stove and smell the fire as it warms the house. Meet a 1920's farm wife as she works in her kitchen, preparing to feed her farm family. Try your hand at making fresh butter and learn just what it took to prepare food in a 1920's kitchen. *FREE with park admission.* 12:00pm-2:00pm.

9/10/22 Country Fair - Join us for our annual Country Fair! Enjoy a fun day on The Farm for food, games, demonstrations, the Gibson Farmhouse, the I. Floyd Garrott Tenant House, plus lots of family fun. Battle Ground Saddle Club will be on hand to show off different horse breeds. We will have our annual pie eating contest at 12:00pm. \$5 per car, plus park admission. 11:00am-3:00pm.

9/18/22 Class - Crochet Basics with Dani - The twenties and thirties saw crochet make the move from a decorative embellishment to a method for producing entire garments. Head over to the Gibson Farmhouse to try your hand at the art of crochet. \$15 per person, registration required. Includes park admission. Call 765-567-4700 to book your spot. 1:00pm-3:00pm.

9/24/22 Class - Wreath Making - Use natural materials to construct a seasonal wreath. Learn weaving and wreathmaking skills from our gardener,

Susan Wilson. Decorate and take home your work. \$10 per person. Registration required. Includes park admission. Call 765-567-4700 to book your spot. 1:00pm-3:00pm.

10/8/22 A spooky Evening in Film- Nosferatu - Join us in the barn for this silent horror classic. Originally released in 1922, Nosferatu is considered one of the best and most influential horror movies of all time. FREE popcorn and cider will be available while supplies last. Feel free to bring your camper chair. *FREE with park admission.* 7:45pm- 9:45pm.

10/15/22 Fall Funfest - Throw on your costume and celebrate Fall Funfest weekend on The Farm! We will have fall themed crafts and activities for kids. Try your hand at our fall scavenger hunt and receive a treat bag. Music by Scott Greeson 12:00-1:30pm. Food will be available for purchase. Decorate a mini pumpkin for \$3 each. *FREE with park admission.* 11:00am-3:00pm.

10/15/22 Halloween Tenant House Tours - Hoosier families in the 1920s incorporated harvest and Halloween themes in their fall gatherings. Games and decorations included traditional, homemade, and commercial products. Tour the I. Floyd Garrott Tenant House, and step back in time to see what a 1920's Halloween party may have looked like. *FREE with park admission.* 11:00am- 3:00pm.

10/22/22 Apple Dumplings and a Trolley Ride - Join us for a special evening on The Prairie, complete with a warm, homemade apple dumpling. The Percheron horses will be at The Farm to pull the trolley, as you learn information about the prairie from a DNR guide. Space is limited and you must preregister by calling 765-567-4700. We will do two rides. 5:45pm and 6:45pm. \$10 per person. Includes park admission.

10/29/22 Trick-Or-Treating with the Animals - Come dressed in your costume and share this festive weekend with our animals. Find each station on The Farm and receive a treat. Several of our animals will be in costume, so don't miss this fun event! Rain or shine. *FREE with park admission.* 1:00pm-3:00pm.

The Farm accepts cash, checks, credit and debit cards



Come to the Gibson Farmhouse to purchase beef, pork, eggs, seasonal produce and other items.

See more at: prophetstown.org

Want to get involved?

Volunteer applications available on-line or on-site.

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