



# Ohio State Organic Grains Conference

*January 9-10, 2025*

Kalahari Conferences & Resorts, Sandusky, Ohio



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agenda.  
Updates  
and more  
details  
online.**

## **Our Organic Grain Journey: Keynote Organic Farmer**

Damon DeSutter, DeSutter Farms and Hoosier Grassfed Beef, Attica, Ind.

## **Setting Up Weed Control Equipment for Success**

Sophie Rivest-Auger, Centre for Expertise and Transfer in Organic and Local Agriculture, Quebec

## **Row Spacing and Interseeding Cover Crops into Organic Corn**

Erin Silva, University of Wisconsin-Madison Organic & Sustainable Cropping Systems Specialist

## **Market Signals from End Users**

Moderated by Ashley Adair, Purdue, with Shagbark Seed & Mill, Miller Poultry, and Simmons Grain

## **Alternative Crops for Rotation**

Farmers Tim Schacht, ancient grains; Justin Helt, industrial hemp; and Miles von Stein, alfalfa and rye

## **Organic Grain Grower Practices, Trends, and Attitudes**

Douglas Jackson-Smith, Director of OSU Agroecosystem Management Program

## **Economics, Experiments, and Extras**

Eric Richer, OSU Field Specialist, Farm Management

## **Ohio Organic Corn Performance Trials: A Four-Year Summary**

Osler Ortez, OSU Corn and Emerging Crop State Specialist

## **Biologicals for Practical Use in Organic Grains**

Connor Sible, Assistant Professor, University of Illinois

## **Let the Sparks Fly! Strategies for Flame Weeding**

Farmer Panel: Eli Dean, Doug Yoder. Moderated by Eugene Law, OSU Weed Ecology

## **Nitrogen Credits from Cover Crops and Manure**

Sarah Noggle, OSUE-Paulding County and Manbir Rakkar, OSU Soil Fertility State Specialist

## **Where's the Money? TOPP, 823, and Other Funds**

Ben Lehman, Rodale and Casey Brooks, OEFFA

## **Farm Success: Getting Your Farm and Affairs in Order**

David Marrison, OSU Field Specialist, Farm Management

## **Strategies for Organic Farm Management in a Down Year**

Farmer Panel: Gary Cooper (IL), Noah Schlabach (OH), Bucky Ziegler (PA). Moderated by Bruce Clevenger, OSU



## **Registration Rates & Dates**

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