



## DECEMBER 2021 CONSERVATION UPDATE

*Your Source for Conservation News in Washtenaw County*



### **Spring Tree & Shrub and Native Plant Sales** **Online pre-orders open on January 3rd, 2022**

If you'd like a paper form, you can request a mailed copy of the WCCD 2021 Annual Report from [our website](#). Paper form preorders deadline: February 18th. Spring online sales close March 18th, 2022.

#### **Upcoming 2022 Tree & Shrub and Native Plant distributions:**

- **April 22-23** - Spring Tree & Shrub Distribution
- **June 4** - Native Plant Expo & Marketplace and Spring Native Plant distribution
- **September 30** - Fall Tree & Native Plant Distribution

Events are held at the [Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. Ann Arbor, MI 48103](#)

[See more Spring Sale details](#)

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## WCCD's 74th Annual Meeting

**Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Robin Hills Event Center, 20390 Stockbridge Chelsea Rd. (M-52),  
Chelsea, MI**

Dr. Asia Dowtin, Assistant Professor of Urban and Community Forestry at Michigan State University, will present on trees and green infrastructure in urban spaces. Conservation awards will be presented for outstanding commitment to applying conservation on the ground. 2021 highlights will be presented by the WCCD staff and partners. Dinner will be provided by Wesley's Catering. The district director election will be held and results will be announced.

Doors open at 6pm for a meet & greet and hors d'oeuvres. Dinner served at 6:30pm, with vegetarian options available. Catering by [Wesley's Catering](#).

Tickets are required. Each ticket is \$15 and they are available to [purchase from the WCCD online store](#).

[Event Details](#)

## Director Candidate Information

Director Elections are now open! Washtenaw County residents 18 years of age and older may request an absentee ballot by contacting our office at [info@washtenawcd.org](mailto:info@washtenawcd.org) or [734-302-8715](tel:734-302-8715). An absentee ballot will be mailed to you with instructions.

Residents may also vote at the WCCD office during business hours (705 N. Zeeb Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103).



## THANKS to all who participated in the 2021 Soil Drive



179 SAMPLES



96 residents

[Learn more about soil testing](#)



## WCCD Career Opportunities

**Conservation Specialist & Administrative Assistant Position  
Announcements**







ZOOM WEBINAR

## Winter Woody Plant Identification

WITH MARTHA HOLZHEUER

Tuesday, January 11th  
6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Webinar, registration opens December 10th

### WEBINAR: Winter Woody Plant Identification with Martha Holzheuer

January 11th, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Registration opens December 10th

Join us for a virtual talk on winter identification of common invasive and native shrub species that can be managed over the winter months, followed by a Q&A session with special guest, JLW Cisma Coordinator, Dr. Shikha Singh.

**Register for this event!**



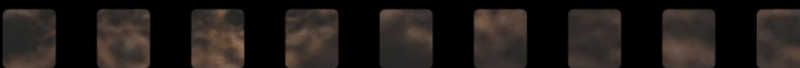
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LIVE SHOWING OF THE DOCUMENTARY...



JANUARY 14TH, 6PM TO 8PM



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ACORN FARMERS MARKET & CAFÉ

455 W. MAIN ST.  
MANCHESTER, MI

HOSTED BY:



**'Kiss The Ground' Movie Live Screening!**

Friday, January 14th, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Acorn Farmers Market & Cafe

455 W. Main St, Manchester, MI

We are partnering with Acorn Farmers Market & Cafe for a live showing of "Kiss the Ground" the movie narrated by Woody Harrelson. Released in September of 2020 on Netflix, this full-length documentary sheds light on a "new, old approach" to farming called regenerative agriculture, a practice with the extraordinary ability to balance our climate and feed the world.

**Register for Event**



2022 Tree & Shrub and Native Plant Sales

### **Volunteer with us!**

The plant sales and distribution events are supported by the efforts of many volunteers. Volunteers help set-up, plant sorting and prepacking orders, and getting orders to customers. It's a fun way to learn the plants and meet the community of growers.

Would you like to volunteer with the WCCD distribution events?

[Sign up to Get Involved](#) to receive updates on opportunities.

### **Volunteer BONUS:**

Volunteers get early access to sales and can pick up their orders early.

**Sign-up!**

## Upcoming Events

**Facebook Live:**  
**Agronomist**

**Ag Tire Drop-Off**  
**Saturday,**  
**December 18th**

**Webinar: "Winter**  
**Woody Plant**

**Presentation with  
Ron Doetch**

**December 11th  
from 10 a.m. and  
11:30 a.m.**

Join us virtually!

Speaker Ron Doetch, owner of Solutions in the Land, will be discussing his experience in working with the farming community in Washtenaw County. Join us on Facebook Live.

**from 9 a.m. to 12  
p.m.**

Freedom Township Hall,  
11508 E Pleasant Lake Rd.,  
Manchester, MI 48158

A partnership with the Washtenaw County Public Works Department. RSVP will be required with a tire limit per resident. Please call 734.302.8715 to reserve a time slot.

**Identification" with  
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## Local Government Updates

- Salem Township Land Preservation & Conservation Board will be meeting on **Monday, December 20th at 7 p.m.** at the Salem Township Hall, 9600 Six Mile Road, Salem, MI 48175
- Ann Arbor Township Farmland and Open Space Preservation Board will be meeting on **Monday, January 3, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.** at the Ann Arbor Township Hall, 3792 Pontiac Trail, Ann Arbor, MI 48104
- Agricultural Lands Preservation Advisory Committee (ALPAC) will be meeting on **Tuesday, December 28th at 7 p.m.**
- Dexter Township Open Space and Land Preservation Committee will be meeting on **Tuesday, January 18th at 7 p.m.** at Dexter Township Hall, 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd, Dexter, MI 48130.

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