

Welcome to the 2017 Maine Permaculture Day Events!

This is a decentralized and distributed event, with open houses and events offered by volunteers and permaculture practitioners from across the state. Remember that there is no one “version” of permaculture expression and every site is different, both in approach as well as in aesthetics. There is something to learn at every site, especially if you can speak with the host(s) and find out about their permaculture journey.

IMPORTANT FOR VISITORS:

Please know that this is not a “manicured garden tour” type of event! These are often working landscapes and works-in-progress. Your hosts may be only a year or two into implementing a 5 or 10-year (or longer!) plan for their site. The idea here is to stimulate connection and conversation. What are the goals of the site? What elements are supporting that? What has worked well? What was challenging? What was surprising?

In some cases, event hosts and organizers have given parking guidance for you to follow (in the directory listings if applicable).

The open house hosts may or may not have their bathrooms available for use so the best approach would be to attend to those needs prior to arriving at someone’s place.

DIRECTORY (SORTED BY ZIP CODE, ROUGHLY SOUTH TO NORTH)

Eden Acres Organic Orchard Open House

Early Season Apple Tastings

Rural

Bryan Quincannon

Organic Heirloom Apple Orchard

www.EdenAcresFarm.com

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

255 Ossipee Hill Road

East Waterboro 04030

207-200-7473

Educational orchard tours and early season apple tastings offered at the farm store.

Tree Crops, Livestock, Beekeeping, Composting (any kind), Annual Veg Production, Compost Tea Making, Crops Grown for Market.

Farm store is accessible. Orchard property is located alongside a mountain with uneven/rocky terrain.

We will show how to brew compost tea at 12 noon. Orchard tours will be conducted as necessary.

Apple tastings will be on-going.

Social Permaculture Fireside Chat

Rural

Rachel Lyn Rumson

George Perley House

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

8 George Perley House

Gray, Maine 04039

Guests at this event will gather for a light pot luck meal, roam gardens and circle up for a fireside chat about relationship and place as it pertains to social permaculture design, strategy and application. Rachel Lyn Rumson will facilitate the conversation.

The location is at George Perley House B&B where Rachel Lyn and her family are running an established bed and breakfast in a colonial farmhouse. The B&B serves a full, locally raised and farmed country breakfast. They are expanding on-site food and fuel production, and adding classes in cooking, gardening, fermentation, and canning to their community offerings.

This location features permaculture food gardens that are three years in the making, a mature orchard and flower gardens, chickens and ducks, a small greenhouse, composting, rain catchment and sit spots are emerging throughout.

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Season Extension Methods, Rainwater Collection, Livestock, Beekeeping, Plant Propagation / Nursery Techniques, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Composting (any kind), Annual Veg Production, Compost Tea Making, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property), Shrub Crops, Vertical Growing

Lots of parking on site. Landscape is mostly flat.

There will be a grounds tour at 6:00pm. Fireside chat at 7:00pm.

Bring your favorite camp chair and beverage, a dish to share. We are booked that weekend for rooms come back another time to enjoy the waking hours.

Forest Keep Open House

Rural

Michael Dunn

8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

352 Bolsters Mills Rd

Harrison 04040

207-583-6746

A few thousand square feet of two year old permaculture planting plus fruit orchard (15+trees, year 6) plus nut orchard (15+ trees, year 3) Tree Crops, Renewable Energy, Livestock, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Hugelkultur, Composting (any kind), Annual Veg Production, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property), Shrub Crops.

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Drive down 400 foot driveway and park. Wheelchair will be so-so on grassy paths in youngest area. Other areas very difficult.

Tours scheduled ad-hoc

We said "livestock" but that means four chickens right now! PV grid-tie system, radiant heat powered by woodstove. Young pawpaw trees!

Open House

Urban / Suburban

Jesse McAvoy

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

35 Libby Ave, Westbrook 04092

207-228-4444

Basically an open tour of the .49 acre project in progress. This is its fourth year. See the awesome, huge herb spiral, a hazelnut hedge, tons of new fruit trees (11) added in the past couple years), a pond we dug 4 years ago with beach plums and highbush cranberry surrounding it, as well as fish and lilies. Probably more we're not remembering!

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Plenty of street parking. Its pretty rough terrain, so I'd keep that in mind if you have a mobility issue (wheels definitely wouldn't work, except what you could see from the driveway!)

Street Family Residence Open House

Open House

Suburban

JoAn Street

2:00 PM to 6:00 PM

435 Bayview St., Yarmouth 04096

207-939-0103

We are in the first year of implementing a permaculture design done by Shana Hostetter of the Resilience Hub. The residence includes an orchard, berry and nut groves, a kitchen garden and a chicken coop. In the future we will have cultivated shiitake mushrooms, solar power and water catchment on the house.

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Season Extension Methods, Rainwater Collection, Mushroom Production, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Composting (any kind), Annual Veg Production, De-Paving Techniques, Compost Tea Making, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property), Shrub Crops.

**Bancroft Street Permaculture
Open House
Urban / Suburban
Ian Johnson
Signature Sustainability
www.signaturesustainability.com
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
79 Bancroft Street, Portland, 04102
201-788-7963**

The house had no landscaping upon purchasing the home in December 2016. In a matter of weeks we installed raised beds, cut a swale, added 10 yards of compost and sheet mulched much of the front yard. Early this spring, the beds were sheet mulched and we planted: Apples (3 varieties), blue berries(3), raspberry bushes(5), chokeberries, elderberries(2), asparagus, strawberries, grapes (2), hardy kiwis (3) and many bee and insect friendly flowers. There is still a lot to be done, but already many neighbors have stopped to comment on the incredible progress they see already!

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Rainwater Collection, Composting (any kind), Swales and/or Other Earthworks, Annual Veg Production, De-Paving Techniques, Vertical Growing
You are welcome to park on the street. Please be mindful of neighbors.

I'll be around to talk about the process and discuss the design. There may be potential for a specific workshop.

**Open House
Urban / Suburban
Carol Karlsen
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
26 Caleb St., Portland 04102
207 899 0686**

This is a self-directed walk through the front, back, and side areas of a property that has been taking shape as a permaculture garden since 2012. Carol Karlsen, who is a PDC graduate and the property's owner, and David Homa of Post Carbon Designs, who is largely responsible for the garden's design and implementation, will be on hand for questions and conversation about how the garden has grown and changed over the past five years. Handouts, plant markers, drawings and detailed posters show the garden's evolution from the initial pre-permaculture site through a 2013 community permablitz and more recent transformations into a food forest in an urban, off-peninsula Portland neighborhood.

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Plenty of street parking; driveway is available for anyone with mobility challenges

Bramblewood Urban Homestead Open House

Suburban

Mihku Paul

Bramblewood Urban Homestead

8:30 AM to 1:30 PM

1603 Westbrook St, Portland, 04102

207 899 5192

I have established a small urban homestead in Portland, with integrated fruit trees, berry brambles, perennial vegetables and aesthetic landscaping. I have a composting operation, greenhouse and box beds for annual veggie production. I also have a small flock of laying hens, and have raised organic meat birds. There are at least 15 fruit trees at Bramblewood. Apples, plums and peaches are now fruiting. Site is less than 5 years old. Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, Season Extension Methods, Livestock, Plant Propagation / Nursery Techniques, Composting (any kind), Annual Veg Production, Shrub Crops

My driveway will fit up to 5 cars. There is also off street parking in front of the house.

At 10:00 I will give a short talk on how I grow vegetables right through the winter in an unheated greenhouse.

I will have some berry plants to share for early arrivals. Cultivated, virus-free raspberries and thornless blackberries. All grown organically.

Ecosystem Demonstration Site Since 2007

Open House

Suburban

Elaine McGillicuddy

www.elainemcgillicuddy.com

10:30 AM to 2:00 PM

62 Avalon Road, Portland, 04103

207.653.7004

My 8,000 sq ft lot includes varieties of fruits incl. grapes, berries, a mature Paw Paw Tree, an Air Potato Cinnamon Vine, a chicken coop and solar hot air and hot water systems.

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No sidewalks on this street. Park where you can.

I will be waiting at the rear of my house - sitting under the grape vine - to give visitors a tour.

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To view photos of past work parties held here since 2006, go to the “Permaculture” section of my website - 1/3 of the way down where a photo of my late husband Francis has been posted. And use the hyperlinks I created there: <http://www.elainemcgillicuddy.com/about/about-us/>

Open House

Urban

Liz Newman

Elizabeth Newman Architect

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

32 Sawyer Street, Portland, ME, 04103

207.615.6564

This is a .2-acre urban single-family property four years after we hosted the first permablitz of 2013. In not very much space, we have peach, pear, apple and cherry trees, blueberry bushes, a strawberry barrel, elderberries, hazelnuts, a grape arbor, and a growing number of raised (and non-raised) beds, while having left the dog run alone and keeping a grassy area for our son. We are overwhelmed with an abundance of fruits, herbs, and vegetables, including many perennials, and have also been adding in pollinator attractors and companion planting, comfrey, etc. Compost bins from recycled fence parts, worm bin. An example of how much can be done on a smallish amount of land on an urban site with only moderate sun exposure, and because the garden is exposed to the street on two sides, it offers dog-resistant decorative plantings outside the fence and is designed to look nice.

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Rainwater Collection, Composting (any kind), Green or Natural Building Techniques, Annual Veg Production, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property), Shrub Crops.

Park on Sawyer and come into our garden from Bryant Street. The driveway on Sawyer is not ours! Doorbells are useless; if nobody is outside, yell in the back door (from deck)! Well-behaved dogs welcome.

Rain Garden Open House

Urban

Sally Moon

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

98 Wellington Rd., Portland 04103

207-233-6578

If we are around we can answer questions and chat. If not, feel free to come take a look anyway. No-Dig Methods, Season Extension Methods, Rainwater Collection, Water Features, Composting (any kind), Swales and/or Other Earthworks, Annual Veg Production, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property), Shrub Crops, Raingarden or other stormwater re-use

Parking on the side of the road is fine.

Winslow Farm- Permaculture Food Forest tour

Open House

Rural

max boudreau

Winslow Farm

www.winslow-farm.com

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

291 Gray Road

Falmouth 04105

207-807-0000

A walk around our farm property with highlights on permaculture elements
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Please try to arrive at these times for a thorough tour and discussion: 1:00pm and 3:00pm

Thank you:)

Edgewood Nursery Open House and Tour

Open House

Suburban / Rural

Aaron Parker

Edgewood Nursery

<http://www.edgewood-nursery.com>

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

4 Cruston Way, Falmouth, 04105

207-65-32065

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Come check out our forest garden, nursery and homestead. Open house from 9-1, with a guided tour of the garden starting at 10:30.

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Plant Propagation / Nursery Techniques, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Hugelkultur, Composting (any kind), Annual Veg Production, Shrub Crops
Please park at the end of the driveway or along the right hand side.

Garden Tour at 10:30

Open house at October 2014 Permablitz Site

Open House

Suburban

Toxtli Melloh

Flow Acupuncture

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

47 Sprague St

South Portland 04106

207-754-0635

See what can be done on a tiny 1/10th acre lot with lead in the soil. Learn how some things might have been done differently with 2 1/2 year hindsight, including lessons around building a small pond. Future plans on burner, including a de-pave. Your suggestions welcome.

Tree Crops, No-Dig Methods, Rainwater Collection, Water Features, Hugelkultur, Composting (any kind), Annual Veg Production, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property), Vertical Growing
On street parking - avoiding parking right in front of the lot will give better access for all. Tiny lot with small passageways, but much can be seen from the street, sidewalk and driveway.

Will be available to answer questions and give tours as desired. Handout available with summary of design wishes and challenges, lessons learned, and future steps.

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED AT MY BLITZ! Hope you can come by to see the results of your work. Will have some refreshments for all.

Food Forest Exploration

Open House

Suburban

Rocky Crockett

Alan Day Community Garden

alandaygarden@wordpress.com

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

26 Whitman Street

Norway 04268

346-0708

We will spend a day in the Community Garden Food Forest giving tours, tending the plants, learning about perennial polycultures, and discussing best-practices moving forward.

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We generally request that the majority of people park on the street, so that people who need to park inside the garden can drive in. However, not all areas of the garden are accessible to wheelchairs or other mobility devices.

Pennywood Acres Open House

Rural

Travis Sparks

Pennywood Acres

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

36 Penny Lane

Bowdoin 04287

207-666-3109

Rural homestead with: annual and perennial vegetable and flower gardens; early establishment (year 2) forest garden project; small shiitake yard; natural garden ponds (hopefully with water this year!); sheet mulching

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Rainwater Collection, Water Features, Mushroom Production, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Annual Veg Production, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property), Shrub Crops

Parking for a handful of cars in the driveway. Much of the site is easily accessible, though 100 yards or so from the parking area.

No dogs please

“This is an opportunity to share ideas, talk shop and cross-pollinate”

Rural

Randy Smith

Rocky Hill Farm & Adventures LLC

www.rockyhillfarmadventures.com

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Novelty Dr. , Carmel 04419

207-233-5338

randy@rockyhillfarmadventures.com

Rocky Hill Farm & Adventures is a professional guide service inspired by Permaculture and Ecopreneurship. We are off the grid, no running water, or electricity. This year marks our third in the development of our permaculture project and we are excited to see where the future will bring our site. Our primary goal for guiding adventures and expeditions is creatively develop active appreciation for the land with an emphasis on health, enjoyment, and the environment. We invite everyone to join us for a unique and healthy Maine adventure, and now we invite you to join us for an “opportunity to share ideas, talk shop and cross-pollinate”. The past three years have been mostly learning about soil fertility, what will grow for us, and water. At this time we are considering projects such as a pond, swales, and some Hugelkultur. Our site is unique, and non traditional. I see this as a chance to share experiences, ideas, and knowledge while getting out to meet people you would not have met otherwise.

No-Dig Methods, Renewable Energy, Green or Natural Building Techniques, Annual Veg Production, Natural Play Spaces, A Drawn Design for the Property (or some of the property)

To get to the site you drive to the end of Novelty Dr. past the last house until you find a distinct marker I will set out. From her you will walk a short distance through a wooded path to the site. If there are very serious mobility issues it can be arranged to drive the visitor in. Otherwise we ask you to walk in.

It would be wonderful if people could contact me ahead of time if they are interested. This way I am not up in the air rather I will have visitors or not. I do live a couple hours north of this Portland based group.

Foxgreen Farm

jiovi® brand Permaculture Nursery Open House

Rural

Thomas

Foxgreen Farm

www.jiovi.com

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

527 N HOWLAND RD

HOWLAND 04448

508-212-2468

We have established a thriving permaculture nursery with nation-wide recognition. Please stop by and visit. Potted plants available. On August 19th you can join us constructing our first 30x100 foot High Tunnel!



Directory assembled by **THE resilience HUB** from information provided by site hosts.



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Parking available.

Permaculture Inn AirBnB Open House

In-Town

Claudia Lowd

10:00 AM to 10:00 PM

42 Mill Street

ORONO 04473

2079495106

We will fire up the pizza oven at 5 pm, drinks on the porch as needed, Very easy to wander thru twelve year fruit forest compact yet abundant, Charles and Julia Yelton designed pond system, Goddess pizza oven made at an early permablitz, ten year Biodynamics flower garden and kick-ass lounging porch where you can lounge to view said garden in full bloom in Maine in August. If you schedule it correctly you can sip some Tree Spirit Maine made libations, this is a replicable business idea throughout the state, glad to share what I know :)

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Self guided 10am- dark, Cob Goddess Pizza oven started 5 pm, Screening permie videos throughout August, ask for updated schedule, Permaculture Inn closes its season August 28, 2017. Garden tours and libation sipping throughout early fall call Claudia 207-949-5106 for private tours

This Permaculture location housed multiple Charles and Julia Yelton early permaculture classes. Anyone reading this email will do themselves a favor to come to Orono to witness what twelve years later can be brought out with permaculture: abundant food and beauty, healing gardens and any space is a sacred place. I welcome drop by any permaculture visitors this August, tent at will and all housing is donation based from now till August 28, 2017. It feels like everything blooms in August in Maine, true beauty abounds.

“Tomorrow” Movie Screening

Barbara Russell

MID MAINE PERMACULTURE Film Screening

Railroad Square Cinema

12:00 Noon

17 Railroad Square

Waterville 04901

207 397-2007

We will share in watching the movie “Tomorrow” which addresses ways in which we can change the direction of some of the activities man has got himself caught up in. There is a typical movie ticket charge at the door. Afterwards, we will meet in groups to discuss some of the ways we can initiate the changes needed in our communities.

social and community actions for neighbors to take part in to reverse some of the ‘not so great’ directions our society has been moving in. Topics cover environmental, economical, educational, agricultural.

ample parking available

Movie from 12 -2pm discussions 2-3ish.

We also have a permaculture demonstration garden in place outside of the theater for people to tour.

Maine Apple Camp

A workshop or other educational event

Anna Mueller

Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association (MOFGA)

Registration required for this special event:

<http://mofga.org/Events/MaineAppleCamp/tabid/3325/Default.aspx>

9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

219 Trotting Park Rd., Montville, 04941

(207) 568-4142

This first-ever event will bring together folks who are excited about the future of heirloom fruit varieties: How to save them, what to do with them, how to make great cider, and who to work with. Held at a traditional Maine lakeside camp in Liberty, participants will check in for 2-1/2 days and 2 nights of immersive learning and community building. All participants will stay in cabins (or camp), eat in the cafeteria and have lots of time to swim and reflect on how to take what they learned home.

Tree Crops, Hugelkultur, Composting (any kind), Swales and/or Other Earthworks, Compost Tea Making, Crops Grown for Market

A schedule of events will be listed on our website.

Open House

Rural

Nick Jackson

Jackson Regenerational Farm

<https://m.facebook.com/jacksonregenerational/>

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

881 Lincolnville rd

Belmont 04952

207-702-1705

Farm open house. Come see our farm in its beginning stages. We have 200 pastured chickens fertilizing our hilltop pastures, 12 American guinea hogs renovating our woods and our silvopastured egg layers and family cow. See our fruit and nut tree nursery beds and hear about our plans for all the trees we plan on planting. We will give guided tours as needed.

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Water Features, Livestock, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Composting (any kind), Swales and/or Other Earthworks, Crops Grown for Market, Foraging Systems

Park by garage at 881 lincolnville rd. Look for signs for further information.

Many Hands Farm Open House Tour

Open House

Rural

Nyla Bravesnow

Many Hands Farm

manyhandsfarm.weebly.com

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

269 Files Hill Rd. Thorndike 04986

207-568-3261

Visitors will be welcome to walk around our gardens and visit our animals. We will be around to answer questions! We LOVE questions!

Tree Crops, Perennial Vegetables, No-Dig Methods, Season Extension Methods, Rainwater Collection, Livestock, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Hugelkultur, Composting (any kind), Green or Natural Building Techniques, Swales and/or Other Earthworks, Annual Veg Production, Natural Play Spaces, Shrub Crops, Raingarden or other stormwater re-use, Crops Grown for Market, Foraging Systems

Our farm is not very accessible for people who are using canes, walkers, and wheelchairs. The terrain is steep and bumpy. We apologize for this inconvenience. Please park in our lot to the left halfway down the long driveway.

Maine Axe & Saw Day

A workshop or other educational event

Rural

Anna Mueller

Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association (MOFGA)

<http://mofga.org/Events/MaineAxeandSawDay/tabid/3192/Default.aspx>

10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

294 Crosby Brook Rd.

Unity 04988

(207)568-4142

Connecting people to our tool manufacturing heritage and passing down skills for the proper use and care of traditional forestry hand tools.

Tree Crops, Forest Gardening / Food Forest Techniques, Learn to effectively use hand tools in your woodlot and have the opportunity to buy some vintage axes, saws and more!

A schedule is posted on our website with specific workshop times.