



Day 1 – Friday, October 2nd

 **FED Office (500-765 Broughton St, Downtown Victoria)**

 **8:30am – 4pm** * Please note, presentation times are subject to change

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- **8:30 – 9:00 am | Registration & Coffee**
 - **9:00-10:30 am | FED Urban Ag & Sandown Centre for Regenerative Ag**
Intro to Catalyst Program
 - **10:45-12pm | Ari Westhaver– Young Agrarians**
Land Access & Land Matching
 - **12pm | Lunch Provided by Old Farm!**
 - **12:45 – 2pm | Katie Underwood – Peas n’ Carrot Farm**
Farmer Case Study
 - **2:30-3:30 pm | Jill Doucette – Synergy Foundation/Synergy Enterprises**
Business Models and Grant Writing
 - **3:45pm | Closing & Wrap Up**
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Day 2– Monday, October 5th

 **FED Office (500-765 Broughton St, Downtown)**

 **8:30 am – 4pm**

- **8:30 – 10 am | Ice Breaker -Coffee, Tea & Collective Art Activity**
- **10 – 11 am | Emily Harris- The Plot Market Garden/Sandown**
Crop Planning
- **11:15 – 12:15 pm - | TBD!**
Farmer Case Study - Selecting & Marketing Your Produce



- **12:15 – 1pm | Lunch Provided by Old Farm!**
 - **1 – 2:15pm | Jesse Honkanen and Kristi Reynolds -Island Savings**
Financial Literacy
 - **2:30 –3:30pm | Hannah Gentes**
Restoration of Indigenous Ecosystems in Urban Regions
 - **3:45| Closing**
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Day 3 – Tuesday, October 6th

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 **Tod Inlet, Wallace Dr, North Saanich, BC**

 **9:00am – 12:00pm**



Join us in visiting the SNIDCEĻ Resiliency Project, an Indigenous-led land and village restoration project in Tod Inlet, Gowlland-Tod Provincial Park. Take part in healing work on the land in combination with sharing cultural and ecological teachings with the team from PEPÁKEN HÁUTW Foundation.

This will include hands-on invasive species removal – please come prepared with sturdy shoes, gloves, weather appropriate layers and protection, and your own food and water for the day.

*Please take some time ahead of this gathering to read the-protocols of engagement and ensure you are prepared: <https://pug-plums-rkh6.squarespace.com/protocols-for-engagement>

Sandown Centre for Regenerative Agriculture

 **1810 Glamorgan Rd, North Saanich, BC**

 **9:00am – 12:00pm**

Join us for a tour of Sandown and Lou Hoo Farm, where we will hear from a young farmer, Alanna Wyllie, who will share about their wins and challenges of starting their own farm. Alanna is a former participant of the 2025 Catalyst Program, and is finishing up their first year of running their own farming business in Sandown's incubator program!





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Day 4 – Thursday, October 8th

Farmer/Food Security Panel and Mixer

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🕒 **12:30pm – 4:00pm**

- **12:30pm – 2:30pm | Panel - Food Systems Careers**

- Alex McArdle - Lifecycles Project Society
- Colleen Popyk - South Island Farm Hub
- Lisa Willott - Farm Folk City Folk

- **2:30pm – 4:00pm | Mixer and Wrap-up**

Connect with champions and leaders in the local food system as well as your Catalyst cohort as a final wrap up for this learning series.