



American Livestock Breeds Conservancy 2013 National Conference

"Sowing the Seeds of Conservation"

November 8-9, 2013 • Cary NC

Call for Presentations

ALBC is calling for speakers and presenters to submit presentation topics for the 2013 National ALBC Conference "Sowing the Seeds of Conservation." We are pleased to be collaborating with Seed Savers Exchange, and are encouraging people to submit proposals that apply to both heirloom seeds and heritage breeds. If you are interested in speaking at the conference, please review the following guidelines.

Presentation Formats

We encourage interactive programs that provide opportunities for audience participation. The two types of presentations are as follows:

- Pre-Conference Workshops – held on Fridays and can be half-day or whole-day programs. For topics requiring more time and in-depth discussion, an additional day may be added.
- General Sessions - can be a single presenter or panel discussion. They are one hour in length and occur throughout the day on Saturday, November 9.



Possible Topics (not limited to these)

- Meat processing
- Heirloom seed crops for forages
- Breeding rare breed livestock or poultry
- Farm-based education programs
- Business planning/financial management
- Multitasking rare breeds
- Urban agriculture
- Value Added Products
- Rare breed co-ops & CSA's
- Fiber production
- Marketing
- Rare breed cuisine
- Animal health related topics

Skill Level of Presenters & Selection Process

Presenters should have a thorough knowledge of their topic and experience to support their expertise in the subject. (This should be reflected in the presenter bio.) They must have the ability to express the presentation content clearly and concisely to the audience. Proposals will be evaluated based on their content and the programming needs of the conference. Programs should have a clear take-home message and practical information for participants. Submission of a proposal is not a guarantee of acceptance. Upon final review, proposal status will be provided by June 1, 2013.

Registration Fees & Compensation

All presenters will receive conference registration with access to all ALBC Conference events. Presenters will also receive a modest honorarium for their presentations that can be used to help cover travel expenses. Upon proposal acceptance, speakers will be required to make their own travel and hotel arrangements and will receive the honorarium within 30 days after the conference. Speakers not wishing to be compensated may choose to donate the honorarium back to ALBC.

Proposal Format

A proposal must include:

- The name, address, phone number, and e-mail address of the primary presenter
- A short bio of the presenter(s) of no more than 50 words
- A title of the presentation of no more than 10 words
- A description of the proposed presentation of no more than 150 words
- A description of the skill level of content (for beginners, intermediate, advanced)
- A list of objectives for the presentation and how the speaker(s) will engage and benefit the participants
- A list of audio/visual needs
- Other needs such as printed materials, live animals for demo, caging, etc.

Proposal Submissions and Deadlines

Please submit the following proposal to jberanger@albc-usa.org by **May 10, 2013**.

Presenter(s) Information

Name –

Address –

Phone # –

Email –

Presenter(s) Bio (50 word limit) –

Presentation Title (10 word limit) –

Presentation Summary (150 word limit) –

Audio/Visual & Printing needs –

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I, _____ have read this document and agree to the compensation available to speakers.

or

I, _____ have read this document and choose to donate the honorarium to ALBC.

Submission Deadline – After reviewing the agreement, submit the signed copy to: American Livestock Breed Conservancy, PO Box 477, Pittsboro, NC 27312 or e-mail to jberanger@albc-usa.org by **May 10, 2013** for consideration in the conference program.

Thank you once again for your interest in the ALBC National Conference. See you in Cary!