

North American Center



For Saffron Research & Development

A Workshop for Growers, Marketers & Researchers



The How's and Why's of Growing and Selling Saffron *7th Annual Saffron Workshop*

Dedicated to the memory of Fari Gheshm, a long-time saffron researcher

Thursday, March 23 and 30, 2023 11:00 to 15:00 Eastern Daylight Time

University of Vermont (UVM), Burlington, VT USA VIA ZOOM

Thursday, March 23, 2023 11:00 to 15:00 EDT THE HOW'S		
11:00 – 11:10	Introductions and Instructions	Margaret Skinner & Cheryl Sullivan, UVM
11:10 – 11:20	Welcome	Opening remarks
11:20 – 11:30	Tribute to Fari Gheshm	Arash Ghalehgalabbahani, Rodale Institute
11:30 – 12:15	The ABC's of Saffron Cultivation	Leyla Hoseinzadeh, Univ. of Tehran & UVM
12:15 – 12:30	Lunch & Research Quicky: Corm Planting Orientation	Richard Bamford, UVM
12:30 – 13:00	Crop Rotation for Sustained Saffron Production	Gladis Zinati, Rodale Institute
13:00 – 13:30	Disease Management for Good Corm Hygiene	Vijay Choppakatta, BioSafe Systems
13:30 – 14:00	The ABC's of Saffron Post-Harvest Handling	Arash Ghalehgalabbahani & Margaret Skinner
14:00 – 14:30	Marketing Your Saffron Products	Parker Shorey, Lemonfair Saffron
14:30 – 15:00	Grower to Grower Exchange	Open discussion to chart the Future of North American Saffron

Thursday, March 30, 2023 11:00 to 15:00 EDT THE WHY'S		
11:00 – 11:10	Introductions and Instructions	Margaret Skinner & Cheryl Sullivan, UVM
11:10 – 11:20	Welcome	Opening remarks
11:20 – 12:15	Saffron Irrigation and Flowering	Mustapha Haidar, Amer. University of Beirut
12:15 – 12:45	Lunch & Research Quickies: Corm Size & Saffron Yield	Richard Bamford, UVM
12:45 – 13:45	Medical and Nutraceutical Applications of Saffron	Margrit Mikulis, Living Natural, Inc.
13:45 – 14:30	Saffron Breeding to Improve Crop Yield and Quality	Alireza Salami, Univ. of Tehran
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