**2022 SERA – 47 Virtual Annual Meeting Agenda**

**“Best practices for local food systems” December 14– 16, 2022**

# \*All times are EST\*

Zoom information for the meeting will be provided to all those registered to attend the meeting.

The **SERA-47 Local & Regional Foods Collaborative** annual meeting allows colleagues that are engaged in research and outreach activities in the Southern region to come and share the great work they are doing and explore how it might be expanded throughout the region. The objectives of the 2022 Annual Meeting are:

* Learn what is happening across the nation and region.
* Learn how colleagues can better collaborate across disciplinary and state lines.

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|  | **Wednesday, December 14** | |
| 10:00AM EST  **Welcome and Introductions** | | **Welcome & SERA-47 Overview**  Dr. Marcus Coleman, Tulane University, Chair  **Minutes from 2021 Annual Meeting**  Drs. [Marcus Coleman](mailto:mcoleman3@tulane.edu) and Jayesh Samtani  **Administrative Advisor Updates**  Dr. Scott Senseman, Oklahoma State University |
| 10:20AM  **SRDC Updates** | | **Southern Rural Development Center Updates**  Dr. John Green, Director, SRDC |
| 10:35 AM  Speaker 1 | | **Virginia’s Community, Local, Regional Food Systems Team**   * French Price, Eric Bendfeldt, and Dr. Jayesh Samtani, Virginia Tech. |

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| 11:10 a.m.    Speaker 2 | Dr. Ashton Potter Wright, The Food Connection, University of Kentucky |
| 11:45 a.m. | Dr. Tim Woods, University of Kentucky |
| 12:20 p.m. EST | Adjourn |

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|  | **Thursday, December 15** | |
| 1:00 - 3:00 PM | | Dr. Marcus Coleman, Welcome |
| **1:05 p.m.** | | **Local Food Systems Practice: *Strategy & Planning Matter***  Dr. Brian Raison, The Ohio State University |
| **1:40 p.m.** | | **Southern Heritage Crops initiative**  Dr. Dave Lamie, Clemson University |
| **2:10 p.m.** | | Dr. Leonard Githinji, Virginia State University |
| Adjourn 2:45 p.m. | | Meeting adjourn |

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|  | **Friday, December 16** | |
| 9:00AM EST | | **Welcome**  Marcus Coleman, Tulane University, Chair |
| 9:15 AM  Storytelling, Best practices for local food system | | Based on the theme of best practices for local food systems, we would like to invite scholars and practitioners to tell their story through pictures, oral presentations or videomaking.  Suggested time for each story is 10 minutes.  **“Title”**  Goodiel Yvette, University of Florida, Extension  **How to Grow a Local Coffee Brand from Scratch: The Umble Coffee Case**  Dr. James Barnes, Mississippi State University  **“Title”** Carolyn Gahn, Aramark |
| 10:15AM | | **The Future of Extension**  Dr. Edwin Jones, Retired Extension Dean and Professor, Virginia Tech. |
| 11:15AM | | **Word of thanks to Dr. Ed Jones,** by Dr. Marcus Coleman |
| 11:25AM **2022 SERA-47**  **Close Out** | | **Reflections**  Dr. Marcus Coleman, Tulane University, Chair  **Nomination/Election of a Vice Chair & Secretary**  Dr. Marcus Coleman, Tulane University, Chair  **Moving Forward**  Dr. Jayesh Samtani, Virginia Tech, Chair |
| 11:45 AM EST | | **Adjourn** |