Summer is here, folks! Check out all the events, opportunities and announcements in store for Indiana Grown members below…

SAMPLE YOUR PRODUCTS AT THE INDIANA STATE FAIR

The 2017 Indiana State Fair will take place Aug. 4-20, and Indiana Grown would love to feature various member during this celebration of all things Indiana! If you’re interested in sampling your products or handing out information at the State Fair, contact Heather Tallman at HTallman@isda.IN.gov.
STATE FAIR STAGE

This year, Indiana Grown is sponsoring the Agriculture Horticulture Building stage at the Indiana State Fair! We are looking for props to use as stage decoration. If you have any containers or member logo products, please contact Heather Tallman at HTallman@isda.IN.gov.

DONATE INGREDIENTS FOR FARM TO TABLE CHEFS TASTE CHALLENGE

The second annual Farm to Table Chefs Taste Challenge will take place on Friday, Sept. 8, 2017 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans. Chefs and up-and-comers will use “farm fresh” ingredients to prepare delicious dishes featuring agricultural products from across the country. Indiana Grown members have the opportunity to donate ingredients that will be showcased to some of the nation’s most influential leaders and foodies in the farm-to-table movement. For those interested, click here and specify your level of support.

JOIN GINNFARMS FOR THE BEGINNING FARMER FILM SERIES

GinnFarms has partnered with Up Up! Film Festival to present a series of short films about the future of farming, featuring young farmers from around the world. This free event will take place from 6:30-8 p.m. on July 18, Aug. 8, Sept. 12 and Oct. 17 at the Lawrenceburg Library. The project aims to spread young farmer stories far and wide — to the eyes and ears of entire communities and into the hands of aspiring farmers. Dinner will be provided by The Friendly Bean Cafe for the first 20 reservations. If interested in attending, register here.
SEND INDIANA GROWN FOOTAGE OF YOUR FARMS AND PRODUCTS

Do you have video footage of your farms or products? We are looking to build a library of content featuring Indiana Grown farms and agriculture to share with media and at future events. If you've captured your look and would be willing to share that video, contact Suzi Spahr at SSpahr@isda.IN.gov.

SHARE YOUR STORY WITH INDIANA GROWN

Do you source ingredients from fellow Indiana Grown members? Let us know! Whether it is simply using byproducts or full-scale sourcing, we want to hear all about how our members are collaborating. Contact Heather Tallman to share your story at HTallman@isda.IN.gov.

SHOW YOUR INDIANA GROWN PRIDE

Place an Indiana Grown sticker or graphic on your product, website, or on social media. You can order Indiana Grown-branded items here. Members are also always welcome to print their own products.

BRING INDIANA GROWN TO YOUR FARMERS MARKETS

Our staff is looking to stop by farmers markets this summer to help answer questions, educate consumers about the program and meet potential new members. If you’re affiliated with a farmers market and believe it could benefit from an Indiana Grown table, please contact Heather Tallman at htailman@isda.in.gov.
JOIN THE 2018 FANTASTIC FOOD FEST EXHIBITORS LIST

After a successful 2017 showing, the Fantastic Food Fest will return next year from Feb. 10-11, 2018. Members are encouraged to mark their calendars and join next year’s exhibitor’s list. More details on the event coming soon.

APPLY TO YELP'S TOTALLY BAZAAR

Can you believe it's that time of the year, again? Bring on Indy's 6th Annual #yelpbazaar! Yelp's Totally Bazaar is a **FREE** holiday shopping party celebrating all things local featuring over 150 businesses. The Bazaar will be located at Central Library (downtown/St.Clair St.) on December 7, 2017. In 2016, Yelp had over 7,000 attendees and over $200,000 was spent by local shoppers during the 4 hour event. Businesses: please note that ALL Yelp Bazaar questions must be added to this talk page to be answered - this will help Yelp share information for all to see. All applications must be submitted by Sunday, July 16. Click here to apply!