



Event Schedule for 2018

*Join us at the Orchard for cider pressings and other fun events!
 Located at the Edmonton Intercultural Centre 9538 - 107 Avenue.*

Sign up as a member to our organization at <http://operationfruitrescue.org> to get access to locally grown fruit. As a member you will have the opportunity to attend many fruit picks over the summer season.

- Learn how to utilize fruit grown in the city by attending a workshop
- Press your own apples and learn how to make cider.
- Meet like-minded individuals.
- Give back to your community (a portion of the fruit from each pick goes to local non-profits and charities to help give back to the community that supports us and those in need).

OFRE is volunteer-driven. In order to make these events happen, we need volunteers to assist us. Most events are only a few hours long and we will require at least one volunteer at most events. Want to help out? Let us know by sending us an email to info@operationfruitrescue.org.

OFRE is hosting or participating in the following events:

MONTH	DATE	DETAILS
ON-GOING		<p>Fruit harvests</p> <p>*Sign up as a member at operationfruitrescue.org to attend fruit picks around the city. Common harvests include: apples, crab apples, cherries (multiple varieties), apricots, saskatoons and pears.</p>
MARCH	Saturday the 10 th	<p>OFRE Orchard Design Charette Group2 Architecture Office 10150 100th Street NW (9th floor). 9:00 am - 12:00 pm</p> <p>If you are a permaculture enthusiast, planner, landscape architect, and/or a community member, we invite you to come participate in this half-day workshop on Saturday, March 10th. See our Facebook page for event details. Tickets available through Eventbrite.</p>
	Sunday the 18 th	<p>Seedy Sunday 11am - 4pm Lions Seniors Recreation Centre 11113 - 113 street</p> <p>Come get some seeds for your summer garden. Talk with local garden experts about their favourite varieties, maybe even try something new this year. There is free parking at the north end of the building and entrance is free or by donation. Accessible by ETS and walking/bike paths.</p>
APRIL	Sunday the 8 th	<p>Operation Fruit Rescue Edmonton Annual General Meeting. Edmonton Intercultural Centre</p>



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		<p>9538 - 107 ave. 1 - 3pm Want to get more involved in your community. Come learn about our organization and find out how you can help. We are now looking for new board members to add to our team as well as summer event volunteers. Bring a dish for the lunch potluck. Free parking outside the school.</p>
APRIL	TBD	<p>West Edmonton Mall Volunteer Fair OFRE will have a booth at the fair this year. Come learn more about our organization and others in the city. More details to follow.</p>
	Saturday the 28 th	<p>Resilience Festival hosted by the Edmonton Permaculture Guild Waldorf Independent School of Edmonton 7211 - 96a Ave NW OFRE will be cider pressing at the event again this year. Over 40 vendors and workshops! More details to follow.</p>
MAY	Saturday the 12 th	<p>Orchard Opening and maintenance Check out the orchard and see what taking care of it is all about! We will be planting new fruit trees to complete our orchard vision. Come and get your hands dirty with us and learn what can grow in the Edmonton area.</p>
	Sunday the 27 th	<p>Orchard Workshop - Planting Annuals & Perennials We will be doing some planting in the garden. Strawberries, raspberries, tomatoes and more. Want to learn what grows here and how to take care of it? Join us and find out. Bring a pair of gloves and closed toed shoes are mandatory.</p>
JUNE	TBD	<p>Rhubarb bike run 1 - 4pm Bring your bike and come pick some local rhubarb with us. Details will be emailed out or find out the information on our website and Facebook page.</p>
	Sunday the 10 th	<p>Bench Building 1 - 4pm Join us at the orchard to help us complete the table seating area by building some benches. Refreshments and pizza will be provided!</p>
	TDB	<p>Espalier Workshop 9am – 12pm Want to learn how to espalier your fruit trees? Join us at the orchard and learn how to do it yourself.</p>



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JUNE	TBD	<p>Apple Maggot Control Workshop 2pm – 3pm Join us at the orchard for an information session about the most prevalent pest that targets your apple trees. Learn how to take action and keep your apples and fruit healthy.</p>
	Sunday the 24 th	<p>Bench Building 1 - 4pm and orchard maintenance Join us at the orchard to help build some more benches. We will be checking up on our newly planted annuals and perennials too. Refreshments and pizza will be provided!</p>
JULY	TBD	<p>Training for volunteers on how to use the cider pressing equipment. Come learn how to use the presser and the crusher. Learn and volunteer for an event and you will receive a complimentary membership.</p>
AUGUST	Sunday the 12 th	<p>Cider pressing and orchard maintenance 1 - 4pm Bring your apples from the previous weeks' picks and go home with your own cider. Come see what taking care of the orchard is about.</p>
	TBD	<p>Potluck with Edmonton Permaculture Guild 6 p.m. Join us for an informal potluck in the orchard and learn about the Permaculture Guild.</p>
	Sunday the 26 th	<p>Cider pressing and orchard maintenance 1 - 4pm Bring your apples from the previous weeks' picks and go home with your own cider.</p>
	TBD	<p>Open Farm Days See, hear, smell and taste Alberta! From forest grains to berries to wine to fresh honey to jams and pickles, Alberta Open Farm Days will be a unique way to experience real farm life and see where your food comes from. Meet farmers! Taste local foods directly from the source. OFRE will be doing a press demonstration, please do not bring your apples.</p>
SEPTEMBER	Sunday the 9 th	<p>Cider pressing and orchard maintenance 1 - 4pm Bring your apples from the previous weeks' picks and go home with your own cider. Join us at the orchard.</p>
	TBD	<p>Permies at the Pub At the Yellowhead Brewery, details on the Permaculture Guild Facebook page or on Eventbrite. Show a fruit pick notification for a \$5 discount on your ticket. Highlights of the evening are harvesting the bounty, canning, preserving and fermentation as well as extending the growing season into the cooler months.</p>



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	TBD	Community League Day 1 - 4pm Join us at the Orchard for cider pressing.
	Sunday the 23 rd	Cider pressing and orchard maintenance 1 - 4pm Bring your apples from the previous weeks' picks and go home with your own cider. Join us at the orchard.
	TBD	Canning workshop 12:30 - 4pm Learn how to transform your fruit into jam in this hands-on workshop, and go home with jams and recipes. More details to follow.
	TBD	John Walter House Museum Pressing workshop from 10am - 12pm. 1pm - 4pm for continued demonstration.
OCTOBER	Sunday the 7 th	Cider pressing and orchard maintenance Bring your apples from the previous weeks' picks and go home with your own cider. Join us at the orchard.
NOVEMBER	Monday the 19 th	Volunteer appreciation party! Join us for an informal gathering to celebrate all the volunteers that make OFRE possible!

To get notifications for these events and for all the details, please join us at operationfruitrescue.org and follow us on Facebook: [OFRE - Operation Fruit Rescue Edmonton](#).