

From Blight to Bright:

Reimagining vacant land to support people and biodiversity in cities



Vacant land can be viewed as blight, yet there are many exciting activities underway to transform these habitats to promote conservation and community goals! This tour and workshop will focus on the benefits vacant land can provide in cities.

Join us at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History on August 19, 2018!

Agenda

9:00am - Meet at Cleveland Museum of Natural History

9:30am-11:30am Board bus, tour a vacant lot, pocket prairie, and urban farm site

11:30am Return by bus to Cleveland Museum of Natural History

12:00-2:30pm Buffet Lunch and Presentations

12:00pm-12:45pm Mary Gardiner (Professor of Entomology, The Ohio State University)

The Balancing Act of Vacant Land Conservation Initiatives

12:45pm-1:00pm – Break

1:00pm-1:30pm Carrie Vollentine (Summer Sprout Program Coordinator, Cuyahoga County Extension)

The Summer Sprout Program

1:30pm-2:00pm - Dave Riddell (Operations Manager, Ohio Prairie Nursery)

The Process of Making Pocket Prairies

2:00pm-2:30pm - Chris Riley (Graduate Research Fellow, The Ohio State University)

Understanding the Ecology of the Urban Forest

Cost: \$40 including lunch, parking and tour

Paste link in browser to register : <https://web.cvent.com/event/65add0cd-87c5-45fc-bab8-46f7697b3c45/summary>