What's New at the 2024 PA Farm Show?

In every barn and arena, around every corner, on every stage, and in every exhibit, you can connect with a new adventure, or a fun new twist to a time-honored tradition! 2023 PA Farm Show Candid - Thursday, January 12, 2023 | Flickr

New in '23, but back by popular demand, start your day in Main Hall snuggling up to a baby goat, courtesy of the **Friends of Farm Show Foundation**. While you're giggling with goats, you're helping support future Farm Show fun and youth scholarships. <u>DSC_1264 | Senator Vogel holds a goat | PA Farm Show | Flickr</u>

In the **Food Court** from **PA Cooperative Potato Growers** – Connect with PA Polish and Russian roots with a delicious potato pancake or pierogie. Or connect with PA Dutch culture with a **Daily Dose of Dutch** on the Main Hall Stage. Learn what Willkum means, how to read a hex sign, or bake a shoo fly pie!

Ever thought of a career in cow cosmetology? Connect with some bovine (and goat and sheep) beautification in new **Fitting Competitions** on Jan. 6-7, to see teams of three compete to fluff, dry, groom and clip their animals to show off their best features. Or check out a fitting clinic for your favorite species to learn what it takes to make livestock shine in the show ring. <u>2023 Dairy</u> Goat Show | Peyton Cox of Centre County smiles as... | Flickr

Connect with pure fun and silliness at Farm Show's first **Mullet Contest**. Learn what it takes to grow a prize **Purple Sweet Potato** or **Ludacrisp** apple, a champion **Czech Frosty** rabbit, or see what youngsters' imaginations can produce for the new **Veggie Decorating Contest** – all among new classes and competitions this January.

Connect with culinary inspiration at the **PA Preferred® Culinary Connection** stage every day, every hour, for an all-star line-up of celebrity chefs led by Philadelphia's own Chef Chris Scott. Scott has served as Executive Chef for CNN and Time Warner, finalist on Bravo's Top Chef, Author of *Homage*, competitor on OWN's The Great Soul Food Cook Off and Judge on Beat Bobby Flay, Bobby Flay's Triple Thread and more on the Food Network. Through three restaurants and a cookbook, he connects new audiences with African-American culture, traditions, and cuisine. Visit Culinary Connection to connect with culture, sample the celebrity recipes prepped by future stars from PA culinary schools, grab a cookbook, and begin your own PA farm-to-table culinary adventures!

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Whether you're a backyard dabbler, established family farmer, or entrepreneur looking to expand, you'll find new info on how to sustain and grow your business, get funding, combat climate change and bump up your production. Visit GIANT Expo Hall's **Conservation Exhibit** to learn how farmers are working for cleaner air and water in your county, see the popular rainfall simulator and innovative equipment, and visit the expanded **So You Want to Be a Farmer** exhibit in Main Hall for interactive info and fun for all ages. Pick the brains of professionals from the new PA Agriculture Business Development Center, PASA Sustainable Agriculture, Rodale, PA No-Till Alliance and more – connect to conservation!

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