

Growing Blackberry Production and Sales in Missouri

2017 Blackberry Workshop Schedule:

April 26, 1:00—4:00pm
MU Southwest Research Center,
Mt Vernon.

June 21, 1:00—4:00pm
MU Southwest Research Center,
Mt Vernon. Hmong translation.

June 28, 1:00—4:00 pm
Jefferson College, Arnold, Mo.

July 26, 1:00—4:00 pm
MU Southwest Research Center,
Mt Vernon.

November 15, 1:00—4:00pm
MU Southwest Research Center,
Mt Vernon.



Blackberries offer huge potential for Missouri farmers. Though a challenging crop to produce, blackberries are in high demand for many markets. Join local and nationally known blackberry specialists and farmers to gain expertise on a wide range of blackberry topics, including:

- The blackberry shift trellis
- Establishing new blackberry plantings
- Blackberry production practices
- Blackberry weed management, including recent advances
- Update on blackberry insect issues, including spotted wing drosophila, broad mite, and brown marmorated stink bug
- Creative marketing strategies for blackberries
- Processing blackberries into value-added products
- Blackberry growers profiles
- On-farm tours of innovative blackberry producers

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Workshop registration is \$10 per attendee.

For registration information:

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2017 Workshop Information

April 26, 1:00—4:00 pm. MU Southwest Research Center, 14548 State Rd H, Mt Vernon, MO 65712—Spring management of the RCA trellis and blackberry culture. \$10 registration per attendee.

June 21, 1:00—4 :00 pm. MU Southwest Research Center, 14548 State Rd H, Mt Vernon, MO 65712—This workshop will be fully translated into Hmong. Blackberry production, blackberry harvest, spotted wing drosophila management and RCA trellis management. \$10 registration per attendee.

June 28, 1:00—4:00 pm. Jefferson College, 687 Missouri State Road, Arnold MO 63010 and Belleville, IL - Blackberry harvest, spotted wing drosophila management, RCA trellis management and a visit to a commercial blackberry farm.

July 26, 1:00—4:00 pm. MU Southwest Research Center, 14548 State Rd H, Mt Vernon, MO 65712—Transition of primocanes to the RCA trellis and blackberry insect and disease management. \$10 registration per attendee.

November 15, 1:00—4:00pm. MU Southwest Research Center, 14548 State Rd H, Mt Vernon, MO 65712—Fall/winter management of the RCA trellis and economics of blackberry production. \$10 registration per attendee.

Organizing committee for the Growing Blackberry Production and Sales in Missouri program:

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