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Greetings!

Vancouver Coastal Health, the Edible Garden Project and the BC Healthy Living Alliance invite you or up to 2 representatives from your council to an event called Table Matters...A Community Discussion about Food Security. We are inviting municipal staff, politicians, non-profit organizations, businesses and interested community members to gather on October 23 from 2:30-7:30pm at the West Vancouver Community Centre.

We have gathered a stellar cast of speakers to inform us about what is happening in other lower mainland communities to promote food security, planned opportunity for participants to discuss a wide range of topics with local and regional experts, and time to begin a conversation about how keep the issue of food "on the table" in our community.

Topics will include community gardens, community planning for urban agriculture, school gardens, Aboriginal food initiatives, agricultural potential of the North Shore, community education, local food purchasing, and food recovery.

Please find attached our official invitation and a registration form. Registration is required by September 16, 2009 for this free event. Forward registration to Dawn Lavender by phoning 604-904-6262, ext 4167; by faxing 604-904-6262, or by emailing dawn.lavender@vch.ca.

The invitation also provides information about Michael Ableman, celebrated author of "Fields of Plenty", photographer and farmer who will be giving a public presentation on October 21, 2009 at Centennial Theatre at 7:30pm. We hope Michael's insights on urban agriculture will inspire our discussion on October 23. This event is also sponsored by Vancouver Coastal Health, North Shore Neighbourhood House and the Edible Garden Project.

For further information about these events, please contact Margaret Broughton, Community Nutritionist, Vancouver Coastal Health at 604-904-6482.

Sincerely,

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# Table Matters...

a Community Discussion about Food Security on the North Shore

An event to engage North Shore government, community and business in a discussion about food security: awareness, advocacy and planning for action.



**When:** Friday, October 23, 2009 3:00—7:30pm.  
Registration and displays open at 2:30pm. A light meal will be provided.

**Where:** West Vancouver Community Centre, 2121 Marine Drive, West Vancouver

Registration and displays: Spirit Room, main level  
Program: Music Hall, basement level

It's time for the North Shore to put local food on the table...

- Learn about food-focused agencies and businesses in your community and around the Lower Mainland
- Regional and local experts will host round table discussions on topics such as community planning for urban agriculture, local food purchasing, community gardens and food recovery.
- A reception will feature a light meal and opportunity to network



Space is limited and registration is required for this FREE event  
**RSVP to Dawn Lavender at [dawn.lavender@vch.ca](mailto:dawn.lavender@vch.ca)**  
or (604) 904-6200 ext. 4167 by Sept 16



VCH and the EGP are pleased to present Michael Ableman, author, photographer and farmer:  
**Feeding the Future: Stories and Images from the New Frontiers of Food and Agriculture.**  
October 21, 2009, Centennial Theatre. Tickets are \$10. Contact the box office at  
(604) 984-4484 or [www.centennialtheatre.com](http://www.centennialtheatre.com)

# REGISTRATION FORM

**Table Matters ... a Community Discussion about Food Security on the North Shore**



**Please return Table Matters Registration Form to Dawn Lavender  
BY SEPTEMBER 16  
Email— Dawn.Lavender@vch.ca  
Telephone—604-904-6200, ext 4167  
Fax—604-904-6262:**

**PLEASE COMPLETE ONE REGISTRATION FORM PER PERSON**

<b>Individual/Organization/School/Business Name:</b>	
<b>Website:</b>	
<b>Name of Person Attending:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>	
<b>Contact Phone Number(s):</b>	
<b>Mailing Address (include city and postal code):</b>	

**Displays:**

Would you like to bring a display?

Yes

No

Please describe the subject of the display (sales/information).



Describe any requirements of the display (table space, etc).

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