

Hi All!

It's time for us to let you in on 2018's exciting plans: like wild mycelium, we're expanding!

Our home-grown Oyster and Shiitake mushrooms have been a hit, and this year we're looking to take production to the next level. In order to bring more fresh and delicious mushrooms to the weekly Annapolis Royal Farmers and Traders Market, we are growing our infrastructure and making other necessary improvements to our production methodology.

To achieve our goal, this month we are engaging our community (that's you!) to find 50 "Spore'ters" who will each pledge \$100 to our project in exchange for some excellent mushroom-related perks.

That's right: from April 1-30 we are aiming to sign up 50 folks who can each **claim a 24" Grow-Your-Own Shiitake Mushroom Log (a 'Spore'ter exclusive for 2018!)** and **attend one of our 'Walk on the Wild Side' mushroom walks!** Not only can you enjoy the experience of cultivating your own delicious (and highly beneficial) Shiitake mushrooms, and join us on a joyful excursion into a local wild area to make friends with the fungi, you'll also **Save 10% on all purchases from Fundy Spores in 2018!** And there's more! Check out the attached page to get a full rundown of all the awesome benefits of being a Fundy Spores 'Spore'ter!

Whether you're in a position to become a 'Spore'ter, to give a membership as a gift, or are able to help us out by spreading the word about this campaign, we appreciate you as part of our growing community! Like you, we know it's important to 'shore up' local food independence and believe in cherishing and protecting the wild spaces. Just as mushrooms disperse their spores, we can propagate these ideals; **together, we'll connect even more people to healthy local edible and other beneficial mushrooms!**

How to become a Fundy Spores 'Spore'ter, you ask? You'll find the details on the attached page, along with more info about the excellent benefits of joining this fantastic group of folks (Bonuses! Optional alternate perks for out-of-towners!). Still have questions? Drop us a line at fundyspores@gmail.com -- we'd be glad to hear from you.

Time is of the essence to claim your spot and secure your exclusive 2018 'Spore'ter perks -- we thank you for helping us make our plans to grow a reality!

All the best,

- Patty & Lindsay
(the folks at Fundy Spores)

A special note: Social Media as we know it is in turmoil right now, and many people have been choosing to remove their accounts from Facebook or to restrict their activity on the site — if you have other means by which to share this posting, please do! We truly believe in 'real world', face-to-face organizing, and we'd greatly appreciate you telling your neighbours, friends, community groups (garden clubs, art collectives, health/support groups...), and other people in your lives about the benefits of being a 'Spore'ter!



Fundy Spores Community of 'Spore'ters 2018 Membership Details and Sign-Up Form

Benefits of Membership

Grow your own Shiitake Mushrooms!
Walk on the Wild Side!
Save 10% on Everything!
& Bonus Mycomania Digital Omnibus!

The Details:

Grow-Your-Own Shiitake Mushroom Logs: Bigger and better than before, 2018's crop of 24" GYO Mushroom logs are freshly inoculated with a Shiitake strain known to prosper under a wide range of temperature and moisture conditions. In exchange for some patience and a little care, you can experience the beauty and deliciousness for which log-grown Shiitake mushrooms are treasured. First fruitings can be expected in Autumn 2018 or Spring 2019.

Logs will be available for pick-up at the Annapolis Royal Farmers and Traders Market in late May and June. We will contact you by email to schedule your pick-up. Care instructions will be provided.

Fundy Spores **'Walk on the Wild Side'** mushroom walks are an opportunity to join with other mushroom enthusiasts to discover and learn more about the incredible diversity of local fungi. We choose low-medium intensity hikes on public trails to maximize inclusion and encourage folks to return to these spaces throughout the year, empowered to experience a range of mushroom activity and species.

Note: Members can choose to bring a friend on their Walk on the Wild Side in lieu of a GYO Mushroom log.

Members also **Save 10% off any purchase from Fundy Spores in 2018!** Applicable to all Fundy Spores products, walks, and workshops.

Live outside of the area for all or part of the year? Members-at-Large can get Free Shipping on their first order of up to three tinctures (on which of course, you'll save 10%) in lieu of a GYO Mushroom log or Walk.

As a special Thank-You, All 'Spore'ters also receive a special **Mycomania Digital Omnibus Edition**. Features all-original content created by the folks at Fundy Spores, including mushroom ID guides, culinary tips and recipes, essays, and other articles of interest to those who are mad about mushrooms!

Never before available in gorgeous full colour, this Omnibus collects the Spring ("It Came from Beneath the Trees!") & Summer 2017 ("Bevvies with Benefits" prohibition theme) issues and is presented in PDF format.

Lastly, **Good Vibes!** Feel great knowing your membership is making a direct impact on the vitality of your community. By helping us grow to meet our goal of producing a consistent supply of affordable top quality mushrooms, **you're part of making nutritious, health-promoting local food more abundant.**

How to Sign Up:

There are three easy ways to become a 'Spore'ter:

1. Bring a printed version of this form along with your registration fee to our table at the Clare Seedy Saturday event at the Université Sainte-Anne on April 7, 2018 (10am-2pm).

2. Fill out and send this form electronically, along with an Interac e-transfer for your registration fee, to fundyspores@gmail.com.

3. Fill out this form (printed or electronic) and **Contact Us** to arrange a meeting to pay your registration fee. A digital copy of your Membership Card will be sent electronically and you can pick up your physical card at the Annapolis Royal Farmers & Traders Market (2018 opening day is May 19th).

Note: We can accept registration fees as Interac e-transfers (send to: fundyspores@gmail.com) or cash only.

Please provide some basic info

Name

Email

Sign-up Date

I would like to receive all Fundy Spores email updates

I would prefer to receive ONLY Fundy Spores Community 'Spore'ters emails

I'm purchasing this membership as a gift. Please use the email address provided below to send Perks and other Community 'Spore'ters emails.

If buying this membership as a gift, please provide the name of Gift Recipient

Contact Email for Gift Recipient:

Choice of Perks (Select 2 Options)

- 24" Grow-Your-Own Shiitake Mushroom Log
 - Walk on the Wild Side
 - Bring a Friend
- Lunenburg - August 26
Deep Brook - October 8
Digby County - October 14
Annapolis Royal - October 21
- Member-at-Large Special Offer: Purchase up to 3 Health-promoting Mushroom Tinctures (at %10 off) and receive free shipping on your first order within Canada.

We value your input! Please provide any additional comments below.

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