



ubcfarm

# COMMUNITY BOOKING GUIDELINES

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*Cover photo: A classic summer long table dinner in the poplar grove; photo courtesy of Farmacie*

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# INTRODUCTION

## Introduction

### ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Thank you for taking the time to read our *Community Bookings Guidelines*. It is a thorough document with lots of info relevant to booking a space at the UBC Farm. If you have questions beyond the document, please contact the events coordinator at the UBC farm: [ubcfarm.events@ubc.ca](mailto:ubcfarm.events@ubc.ca).

### ABOUT THE CSFS AT THE UBC FARM

The Centre for Sustainable Food Systems (CSFS) site at UBC Farm, is a unique research centre that aims to understand and fundamentally transform local and global food systems towards a more sustainable, food secure future. The centre is a living laboratory, committed to finding solutions to both the local and global challenges facing food systems sustainability and translating solutions to improve personal, community, and environmental health.

- Location: 3461 Ross Drive, Vancouver
- Mailing Address: 2357 Main Mall, Vancouver, BC V6T 1Z4
- Phone: 604-822-5092
- [ubcfarm.ubc.ca](http://ubcfarm.ubc.ca)

### HOSTING YOUR EVENT AT THE UBC FARM

The UBC Farm provides a beautiful and unique agrarian setting for events unlike anything else within the City of Vancouver. When considering the UBC Farm for your event, please keep in mind that we are a working research and production farm. This means there may be farm equipment and materials around, farm staff and students working in the fields, irrigation watering the crops, animals making noises (and smells), and other farm activities going on. Though we maintain cleared pathways, the terrain is generally bumpy and not manicured. This all adds to the uniqueness and authenticity of the site, but we strongly encourage you to visit before booking to make sure it's a good fit for your event.

In addition, with over 50,000 visitors each year, the Farm is a bustling hub of activity for the UBC and Vancouver community. On any given day, you may find undergraduate students touring the farm with their professors, graduate students doing research, a salmon smoke and indigenous community feast near the fire pit, school children on a class tour, customers shopping at our Saturday market, and a public workshop or lecture. This means it's highly likely you'll be sharing the site with others, especially if your event occurs during our open hours. We do our best to separate activities with time and space, but we cannot guarantee exclusive access to areas outside of your booked space.

# OUR VENUES

## Our Venues

### EVENTS FIELD AND ORCHARD

A large grassy field and orchard. Views of the farm fields. Easy access from front gates.

- 200-1500 capacity
- Suitable for weddings, seated dining, conferences, large festivals
- The grass field measures 60 meters by 55 meters excluding the orchard.
- The orchard itself includes 5 rows of apples (representing 70 varieties of apples).

### POPLAR GROVE

A quiet grassy area shaded by three rows of evenly spaced poplar trees. Views of the farm fields.

- Capacity: 120
- Suitable for weddings, seated dining, ceremonies
- On Saturdays between 3:30pm – 5pm, please expect noise and activity in the adjacent teaching site during this time.
- When renting the Poplar Grove, a one metre buffer must be maintained between any event set-up and the cultivated areas.

### YURT

A circular building with beautiful wood floors and a canvas roof.

- Capacity: 50
- Great for meetings, classes, workshops, small ceremonies, dinners etc.
- 10 tables and 50 chairs are available free of charge for site rentals in the yurt.

### ADDITIONAL VENUE INFORMATION

#### Grass Conditions

- The UBC Farm does not water any grassy areas on site. In the late summer/early fall, the Events Field and Poplar Grove can be quite dry and yellow. The Poplar Grove can also be quite soggy after multiple days of rain.
- The UBC Farm will ensure the Events Field and Poplar Grove are mowed and generally clear of brush in the week prior to your event. More refined trimming, weed whacking, etc. are up to the renter if desired, pending approval of Farm staff.

# BOOKING YOUR VENUE AT THE UBC FARM

## Booking Your Venue at the UBC Farm

### BOOKINGS: GENERAL INFO

Our field use is dynamic and the availability of some favoured event locations may change each year. Because of the UBC Farm's primary function as a teaching and research facility, we are constantly establishing and concluding projects and can only provide a realistic description of site conditions four months in advance of an event.

### BOOKABLE HOURS

The Farm's open hours vary through the year and are updated on our website. We are normally open Monday-Saturday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm during High Season and Monday-Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm during Low Season. Events can be scheduled outside of open hours into the evenings (see "Lock-up fees").

### **Special requests for Sunday bookings will be considered per case.**

Please ensure to allow for enough time when requesting your booking. If you realize closer to your event date you require additional time, this must be approved by your UBC Farm staff contact no less than 7 days prior to the event, and payment will be due upon confirmation of the additional time. Our site is in high demand, especially during the peak season (May-October), and a last-minute addition of rental time is often not possible.

### Quiet Hour

- Upon request, your rental can include a 1-hour time period within the booking time where the farm staff will make an effort to limit nearby noises and disruptions. This 1-hour time period should be requested and scheduled at the time of booking confirmation. We may not be able to accommodate changes with less than 7 business days' notice.

### Wedding rehearsal

- A 1-hour rehearsal time prior to your booking is included in a wedding booking. Please schedule this with your UBC Farm site contact at the time of your booking confirmation. The rehearsal must be scheduled during the Farm's open hours.

# BOOKING YOUR VENUE AT THE UBC FARM

## VENUE RENTAL RATES

The booking time includes total time on site, including all rental deliveries that restrict access to the site, set-up time and tear-down time. For example, if your event time is from 3pm-9pm and you would like to start setting up at 11:00am and leave at 11:00 pm, your booking time will be 12 hours. Some exceptions may be made for the timing of rental deliveries/pick-ups; see “Rentals” for details.

The minimum booking times are 4-hour or 8-hour periods. Additional hours beyond 8 hours may be added at the hourly fee indicated. Returning projects may

Non-UBC bookings are charged 5% GST in addition to the rates listed below.

### HIGH SEASON (MAY-OCT)

VENUE	4 HOURS	8 HOURS	ADDITIONAL HOURS
Events Field & Orchard	\$800	\$1500	\$150
Poplar Grove	\$600	\$1100	\$125
Children’s Garden & Cob Oven	\$300	\$500	\$50
Yurt	\$400	\$700	\$80
Children’s Greenhouse	\$300	\$500	\$60

### LOW SEASON (NOV-APR)

VENUE	4 HOURS	8 HOURS	ADDITIONAL HOURS
Events Field & Orchard	\$600	\$1100	\$125
Poplar Grove	\$400	\$700	\$80
Children’s Garden & Cob Oven	\$200	\$350	\$40
Yurt	\$400	\$700	\$80
Children’s Greenhouse	\$300	\$500	\$60

## UBC GROUPS DISCOUNT

Bookings made by official UBC-affiliated units for UBC events paid by internal transfers – including UBC courses, faculties, departments, student societies, residence halls, AMS clubs, etc. – receive a 20% discount on posted site rental rates and are not charged tax.

## UBC AFFILIATE DISCOUNT

UBC faculty, staff, students and alumni receive a 10% discount on their booking total for personal/family events at the UBC Farm.

# BOOKING YOUR VENUE AT THE UBC FARM

## NON-PROFIT/LOW-INCOME GROUPS DISCOUNT

Requests from non-profit groups and low-income organizations are encouraged. Please contact us for discounts on your group's space use, any booking fee will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

## AFTER HOURS LOCK-UP FEE

- All events that extend past the Farm's open hours are subject to a lock-up fee.
  - A \$50 fee applies to events ending between 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
  - A \$100 fee applies to events that end at 9pm or later
- Lock-up fees are payable by cheque or cash to the Farm's caretaker on duty and are required at the same time as the confirmation deposit. Please enquire with your staff liaison and ensure this fee is paid separately from your rental fee (paid to the caretakers directly not the UBC Farm).
- The site is monitored by our caretakers, who live in site. Please respect their homes and ask that your guests do the same.
- After the Farm is closed to the public, guests must remain in the vicinity of the rented event space to avoid confusion and alarm with the security patrols after our public hours. For example, if you have rented the Events Field you must remain within the perimeter of the Events Field except for smoking outside of the farm gates and in case of emergency.

## FILM & PHOTOGRAPHY FEES

- For shoots involving more than 5 people and commercial photography or filming, please email Arlene Chan, UBC Film Liaison, at [arlene.chan@ubc.ca](mailto:arlene.chan@ubc.ca) to arrange for your shoot at the UBC Farm.
- For personal shorts involving less than 5 people, please access the farm during public open hours. On a busy day, you will be required to work around site activities. We request that photographers exercise discretion and respect toward other site users. For your own safety and to prevent impacts on the site, please follow all site protocol and do not feed or handle our livestock, enter the production fields or climb on any equipment. If your photo shoot requires exclusive use of an area you must submit a booking request form and site use fees will apply.



# PAYMENT TERMS AND CANCELLATIONS

## Payment Terms and Cancellations

### PAYMENT TERMS

Rental payments involve two deposits:

1. Upon confirmation of the booking, a deposit is required to secure the date. The non-refundable deposit is 25% of the rental fee for your event. The remaining balance of the booking fee is due 30 days prior to the event date and is paid towards your total booking fee.
2. A refundable damage deposit of \$500, post-dated to the day of your event, is also due at upon confirmation of the booking. We will deduct any costs from damages and overtime labour costs from the total refunded to you. This includes:
  - a. If damages are incurred to UBC property (e.g. broken trellises, trampled field areas), the cost of repairs and staff time will be charged to the renter
  - b. Unauthorized access to the farm's facilities and any associated damages
  - c. Any cleaning required as a result of incomplete post-event clean-up will be charged to the renter at \$50/hour
  - d. Unexpected administrative or labour required of Farm staff due to lack of coordination (for example, failure to request power access in advance, and requiring last minute staff assistance). This causes disruption in the regular functioning of Farm activities and will result in a \$25/hour charge.
  - e. Unauthorized use or misuse of farm equipment or infrastructure (e.g. turning the irrigation off or on) will result in a \$100 charge.
  - f. Excessive noise and/or music during the event and/or if the event organizer does not comply when asked to reduce volume (in recognition of the impact of noise on our caretakers, as well as our growing community of neighbours). Non-compliance will result in a \$100 charge.
  - g. Amplified sounds extending past the noise curfew (10pm) will result in a \$100 charge.
  - h. Failure to vacate the site by the agreed-upon lock-up time will result in a \$200 charge.

Small events may not require a deposit or damage deposit. Farm staff will make this determination. The renter is still financially responsible for damages incurred as a result of event activity, and a damage charge will be billed if necessary.

### PAYMENT METHODS

Fees are payable in cash or cheque made out to UBC Farm. We can also accept Journal Vouchers from UBC units. If you are paying with cash, please bring exact change. Sorry credit/debit cards or e-transfer is not available as a payment method.

# PAYMENT TERMS AND CANCELLATIONS

## CANCELLATIONS

If you cancel your event, we require a written cancellation notice (via mail or email). A cancellation fee will be assessed based on the lead-time of your cancellation:

- If the cancellation notice is received between 14-30 calendar days prior to the event, the UBC Farm will refund 50% of the total rental fee.
- If the cancellation notice is received between 7 to 14 calendar days prior to the event, the UBC Farm will refund 25% of the total rental fee.
- If the cancellation notice is received less than 7 calendar days prior to the event, the full booking payment is forfeited.

## INSURANCE

For private (invitation-only) events, general liability insurance is recommended but not required. For public events, whether ticketed or free, general liability insurance is **mandatory** in the amount of 1 million dollars for events under 200 people and 2 million dollars for events over 200 people. The policy should name UBC, its Governors, employees and agents and all others for whom it may be in law responsible as additional insureds. For public events, the UBC Farm will require proof of insurance **no less than 14 days prior to the date of the event**.

# SITE USE REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## Site Use Regulations and Recommendations

### WHAT CAN ME AND MY GUESTS DO AT THE UBC FARM?

If your event takes place during the Farm's open hours, some activities you can take part in include:

- Take a walk along the mowed paths around the farm and see what's growing.
- Visit the **chickens and bees**.
- Check out the **Children's Garden** and our **cob building and oven** near the Farm Centre.
- Stroll through our **heritage apple orchard**.
- If your event is on a Saturday OR Tuesday evening, visit our **markets** and pick up some tasty produce!
- Follow the **Agroforestry Trail**, a 45-minute leisurely walk that leads around the farm and through the forest.
- Take lots and lots of photos!

### WHAT CAN ME AND MY GUESTS NOT DO AT THE UBC FARM?

The following protocol is observed by visitors of the UBC Farm at all times. **It is the responsibility of the event organizer to communicate these site rules to your guests.**

- Please do not walk in any cultivated areas (crop fields) or disturb any plants, equipment, or research apparatus.
- **Do not harvest any produce or other plants.** It may seem harmless to pick a few raspberries or apples, but the UBC Farm depends on the sale of these items. Please keep an eye on little hands (and mouths) if you have children at your event.
- **No smoking on site.** Smoking is permitted outside the gate in the main entrance parking lot. You must provide a receptacle for cigarette butts if your guests plan to smoke. Signage is the responsibility of the renter and is recommended.
- The farm has live-in caretakers who look after the site. Please respect the caretakers' privacy, as this is their home. Avoid walking through the grassy area in front of the trailers.
- **Dogs must be kept on a leash at all times.**
- Look at but don't touch any livestock or beehives and **watch out for electric fences.**
- **All cars must be parked outside the Farm gates.**
- The site must be left in the same state as you found it so it can continue to be enjoyed by others.
- Consider the weather and wear appropriate outdoor attire and footwear.

### SUPPORT SUSTAINABILITY

Please choose environmentally friendly vendors – such as solar power energy, reusable dishes, and local food. If you would like to include organically-grown, local produce or flowers from the farm please have your caterers contact our sales team at [ubcfarm.wholesale@ubc.ca](mailto:ubcfarm.wholesale@ubc.ca) and [ubcfarm.flowers@ubc.ca](mailto:ubcfarm.flowers@ubc.ca) respectively.

# SITE USE REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## SITE LIAISON

For the day of your event, a staff liaison and/or caretaker contact will be provided in case of emergency or problems on site. Please ensure that you have arranged all details prior to the event date to reduce the need for any last-minute coordination. The site liaison will check the set-up of your event beforehand in order to ensure that it complies with these guidelines. A caretaker name and phone number will be provided for after-hours events in case of emergencies.

We require a site contact name and cell phone number from the renter to give to our staff liaison/caretaker, in case they need to get a hold of someone during the event. **The contact person must be at the UBC Farm for the duration of the rental period; for wedding bookings, this person cannot be the bride or groom.**

## DELIVERIES & PICKUPS

Rental equipment such as tents, stages, tables, chairs etc. are permitted but the renter must inform the UBC Farm staff of all equipment that will be brought on site prior to confirmation of the booking or 28 days prior to the event at the latest.

- You must have someone **on site to receive all rentals** and direct the delivery staff to the correct location. Farm staff are not responsible for receiving deliveries. Please ensure that the rental companies have the mobile number of the person receiving the rentals.
- Rental equipment must be delivered and picked-up within your booking time.
- If delivery or pick-up is required outside of these hours, please consult your UBC Farm staff contact. We will do our best to accommodate this if necessary, however there are other site users and ongoing activities that may need to be worked around (for example, large delivery trucks are not a welcome sight during our Saturday Farm Market which runs from 9am-1pm). Day-after pick up may not be possible if other events are booked in the space. Please ensure to plan ahead with your rental companies and the Farm.
- Saturdays:
  - If rental equipment is being dropped off on a Saturday, the renter must coordinate with Farm staff and the rental company to ensure the delivery does not interfere with the Saturday Farm Market.
  - For Saturday events, rental equipment must be picked up either on Saturday post-event (but before the lock-up time) or Monday morning because the farm is closed on Sunday.
- It is the responsibility of the renter to ensure this information **and the approved drop-off and pick-up times, the site open hours, and any relevant site policies to the** all vendors/planners associated with your event, including the caterer's rentals (as they often arrange their own rentals).

# SITE USE REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- There is no indoor storage at the Farm for rental equipment in case of inclement weather. We cannot assume responsibility for your events' rental equipment.

## PARKING

All vehicles must be parked outside the Farm gate. Because of continued construction in the area, the availability of parking will be significantly constrained for the foreseeable future. The parking options outlined below may have changed since the updating this guide; please consult your farm staff contact.

For all events, we strongly encourage guests to take transit, cycle or walk. Please check our [website](#) for transit options. If your guests are driving, carpooling is strongly recommended. If you will need to drive on site to drop off equipment or guests of limited mobility, this can generally be arranged. Please check with your farm staff contact at least 14 days prior to the event.

- There is a small pay lot just outside the gate that can accommodate 10-12 vehicles. During our open hours, this lot is often full. This lot is free for the first 2 hours, after which you will be charged \$2 per hour.
- There is ample street parking in Wesbrook Village near the Farm; watch for parking signs.
- There is a large construction lot on Birney Drive, free parking is available on weekends and it can accommodate up 100+ vehicles.
- University Hill Secondary, on the corner of Ross Drive & 16<sup>th</sup> Ave, has paid parking, and is a 5-10 minute walk from the Farm.

All parking on campus is governed by the regulation of [UBC Parking & Access Control Services](#)

## DECORATIONS

Your plans for decorations and structures on site must be approved by your UBC Farm staff contact no less than 30 days prior to your event.

- You are welcome to decorate the centre pathway of the Orchard and in between the Poplar trees, but decorations cannot be hung on the wires supporting the trees and the trees themselves.
- If unapproved decorations or structures obstruct Farm activities any member of our research or field team may ask your event to remove these, please ensure all your vendors and catering team is aware of this.
- If you are interested in purchasing UBC Farm flowers for your event, please inform your UBC Farm staff contact upon confirming the booking or contact [ubcfarm.flowers@ubc.ca](mailto:ubcfarm.flowers@ubc.ca)

## WASHROOMS

There are two single-stall, unisex washrooms located in the Farm Centre. These washrooms are **not wheelchair accessible**. From June to October we have a single wheelchair-accessible portable washroom next to the Harvest Hut building (the site of our Saturday Markets near the main gate).

# SITE USE REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

In general, for events that are:

- Fewer than 75 people – the Farm Centre washrooms or any of our portable washrooms can be used.
- Over 75 people – renting event washrooms (trailers or standalone units) are recommended with a ratio of 1 washroom unit per 75 guests.

These are general guidelines; UBC Farm staff will make a final assessment based on the details of your event including length of time on site, whether your event occurs during our open hours, and based on the other activities that are occurring on site during your rental period. The Farm may require a certain number of portable toilets be rented based on the event size and length of time on-site. Please confirm with your farm staff contact.

## POWER AND WATER ACCESS

We are unable to supply power to our outdoor sites; we recommend using a solar generator (available for rent from most event/party rental vendors). For safety reasons (both as a tripping hazard and an electrical hazard), we cannot run an extension cord to the Events Field & Orchard, Poplar Grove or Fire Pit Area.

Cold-water spigots are available around the Farm. All water is city water. You must provide your own hose. Please ensure planners and caterers are aware of the water source location; on Fridays and Saturdays the Harvest Hut is a hub of activity at the farm and any misuse of taps in this area could cause a disruption to farm staff or our irrigation system.

## FOOD & CATERING

You are welcome to hire catering services for your event. Because of our unique setting, we generally recommend working with caterers who have serviced events here before and are familiar with the site. For a list of our preferred vendors, consult your UBC Farm staff contact.

- If you are interested in serving produce from the UBC Farm at your event, please have your caterer contact [ubcfarm.wholesale@ubc.ca](mailto:ubcfarm.wholesale@ubc.ca).

If you are planning to prepare and serve food at an event open to the general public, you must submit a Temporary Food Service Application to Vancouver Coastal Health. The form is found [here](#). This would include food preparation for items such as hot dogs, hamburgers, pancakes, etc. This application is not required if:

- You have contracted a caterer or mobile food service operator who possesses a valid health permit;
- Foods are limited to pre-packaged, non-perishable items such as chips, pop, or candy bars;
- The event is restricted to members of a particular group or society and their invited guests, and the food that is prepared and served is voluntarily made by that group. Volunteer food handlers are advised to follow the Vancouver Coastal Health food safety tips.

# SITE USE REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## ALCOHOL

A special event permit (SEP) must be obtained from BC Liquor in order to serve alcohol at your event, and someone must be designated as your SEP holder. The license must be printed and displayed where the alcohol is to be served. Alcohol must remain in the immediate vicinity of the booked spaces, and no alcohol is permitted off-site.

The SEP applicant/holder

- Is required to be in attendance for the duration of the event;
- Will have a legal duty of care for event attendees;

Applications are completed through the British Columbia Liquor Distribution Branch and can be found [online here](#). We recommend that you apply one month before your event for this process.

[Please see the BC Liquor Control & Licensing Branch website for details on Special Event Permit.](#)

## OPEN FIRES

If you are planning on having a fire during your rental at the Fire Pit Area, you will need to secure a burn permit ahead of time from the UBC Fire Department via the UBC Farm site coordinator. Fire permits are generally granted if the fire warning level in the nearby Pacific Spirit Park is posted as Low or Moderate. Because of dry conditions, permits are not often issued in July and August.

**The UBC Farm reserves the right to refuse fires even if a permit has been secured based on our assessment of conditions at the Farm the day of your event.**

If you would like to have a contained fire for your event, please let your UBC Farm contact know. The day of your event, you will have to call the fire hall 30 minutes prior to starting your fire and again after ensuring it's extinguished.

A burn permit will generally require you to have the following on-hand for the duration of your fire; please refer to your particular burn permit for exact requirements:

- 5-gallon bucket of water
- Charged hose
- Fire extinguisher
- Shovel
- First aid kit
- Cell phone (number which is on the burn permit)

These items (excluding the cell phone and burn permit) can generally be supplied by the UBC Farm and must be requested no less than 28 days prior to the event date. **The UBC Farm does not supply firewood.** Please bring your own wood and fire starting materials (matches, kindling, paper etc.).

# SITE USE REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The fire pits near the indigenous hub at the UBC Farm are ceremonial sites stewarded by our elders that lead the indigenous garden initiatives. These fire pits must not be used for your event without the presence and authorization of the Medicine Collective. Please take extra care to leave this site in the same state as it was found if you and your guests should pass through this area (including arrangement of the benches).

A cob bread oven is also available with rentals of the Yurt/Children's Greenhouse area. A burn permit is also required to use this oven; please inquire for details.

## SAFETY PLAN

UBC requires submission of a Site Safety and Emergency Response Plan for an outdoor event with 100+ people OR and indoor event with 60+ people, where alcohol will be served. This plan will need to obtain approval from the campus Fire Department. A link to this form is available in Appendix A, if your event requires submission of this plan.

Please make sure your guests get home safely. **Ensure that a generous supply of food and non-alcoholic beverages are readily accessible and reasonably priced or free. We recommend organizing designated drivers, a shuttle service, or having taxi service phone numbers on hand at the end of the night.**

Based on the details of your event, Farm staff will determine if your event requires security. If required, the renter must arrange the security service.

## EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In case of an emergency during your event, please have the following information available:

- In an emergency call **911**
- **UBC Security** can be reached at 604-822-2222
- The UBC Farm is located at **3461 Ross Drive**
- Fire extinguishers and first aid kits are located in the Harvest Hut and Farm Centre (these buildings are locked after hours).

## CLEAN UP & WASTE DISPOSAL

Please clean up thoroughly after your event and leave the site as you found it. We encourage all organizers to strive for a zero waste event in light of our efforts toward environmental stewardship at the UBC Farm. If you need recommendations on vendors capable of servicing a zero waste event, please contact your staff contact.

- If your event goes into the evening, plan ahead to have proper lighting (flashlights, head lamps) for your clean-up as there are no outdoor lights in most parts of the farm.
- For weddings, we strongly recommend hiring a day-of coordinator to ensure everything is packed up.



# SITE USE REGULATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Any cleaning required after a rental may result in full or partial forfeit of the damage deposit (see “Payment and cancellations” for details).
- All garbage and recycling must be taken off site for disposal. Small events (fewer than 50 people) may dispose of compost, recycling and garbage on-site with prior approval and arrangement with your staff contact.

## CURFEW AND NOISE

- The latest event curfew time (i.e. event finished, bar closed) is **11:00 p.m.**
- The latest lock-up time is **midnight 12:00 a.m.**
- The event area must be cleaned up and the site vacated by the agreed upon lock-up time of your rental. Failure to do so will result in a charge payable to our caretakers (see “Payment & cancellations” for details).

Music is a welcome addition to events at the Farm, and we have hosted both live bands and DJs. However please respect our on-site caretakers and growing community of neighbours by keeping noise at a moderate level. All amplified sound must be off by 10pm at the Events Field and Orchard.

- Any excessive noise and/or music during the event, or after the curfew time is not allowed. Excessive noise is at the discretion of the caretakers or staff on site. If we receive a call from the local RCMP and a staff member or caretaker asks you to turn down your music and you do not this will result in a charge (see “Payment and cancellations” for details).

# BOOKING PROCEDURES

## Booking Procedures

### INQUIRIES

To book your event at the UBC Farm:

1. Review this document thoroughly as the document may help answer any questions you have. If you have further questions that are not answered by our event guidelines, please contact us at [ubcfarm.events@ubc.ca](mailto:ubcfarm.events@ubc.ca) or by phone 604.822.5092
2. To submit a booking request, please complete the online [Event Booking Request Form](#) and arrange for a site visit.

Hosting events provides an important source of funding that supports the continued growth and operation of the academic and community programs at the Centre for Sustainable Food Systems. Thank you for supporting the UBC Farm!