



A Night at the SC Farmers' Market

Friday will begin with a BBQ and Awards Banquet at the SC Farmers' Market. The event will take place in the Phillips Market Center.

The Phillips Market Center, named for well-known South Carolina agribusiness advocate T. Ashton Phillips, is conveniently located in the heart of South Carolina. Near I-26, I-77, and I-20, the Market Center is just minutes from downtown Columbia.



Our entertainment for the evening will be an acoustic performance by country music star and McBee, SC native, Doug McCormick
Join us for a night of good food, awards, and entertainment.



The Columbia Marriott, a downtown Columbia SC hotel, is conveniently located, just two blocks from the SC State Capitol building and in a vibrant, bustling quarter of downtown. Cross the street to visit the Columbia Museum of Art, head to nearby neighborhoods to explore The Vista, spend the day at Riverbanks Zoo and Garden. With 28,000 square feet of event space, this downtown Columbia SC hotel provides the warmth expected of southern hospitality. Relax, enjoy dining at the City Center Grille restaurant or Garnet's Sport Bar, unwind in the fitness center and the indoor pool or simply retreat to plush, comfortable bedding.

Activities near our hotel:

- Riverbanks Zoo and Gardens
- The Columbia Museum of Art
- EDventure Children's Museum
- The Vista

ROOM RATES:

Room rates are \$89.00 per night.

Rates are good if reserved prior to Dec. 30, 2011.

This rate includes a FREE Parking and Breakfast on Saturday for up to 4 people per room

WEB SITE:

For more information on the Marriott and the State Convention, go to: www.SCAgEd.org
And click on the Young Farmer Logo.

RESERVATIONS:

Call the Marriott at **803-771-7000 or 1-800-593-6465.**

Be sure to identify yourself as being with the South Carolina Young Farmers & Agribusiness Association in order to receive the group rate.

FOR DRIVING DIRECTIONS GO TO:

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/fact-sheet/travel/caemh-columbia-marriott/>

SOUTH CAROLINA YOUNG FARMER And AGRIBUSINESS ASSOCIATION



64th Annual Convention January 20 -21, 2012

The Marriott Columbia, SC

Friday Awards BBQ at the Market – 7:00 PM

The following awards will be presented:

- **Energy Efficiency**
- **Farm Shop**
- **Horticulture**
- **Outstanding Service**
- **Conservation**

Saturday Luncheon – 12:00 PM

The following awards will be presented:

- **Corn**
- **Cotton**
- **Small Grain**
- **Peanut**
- **Soybean**
- **Beef**
- **Swine**

Saturday Banquet – 7:00 PM

The following awards will be presented:

- **Chapter of the Year Award**
- **Chapter Membership**
- **Convention Attendance Award**
- **Chapter President’s Award**
- **Advisor of the Year Award**
- **Agribusiness Person of the Year**
- **Farmer of the Year**

Saturday Evening Auction

Don’t miss some terrific deals. Come prepared to purchase everything from corn seed to garden tools. There will be both a silent and live auction. Great buys and all goes to a good cause. So come prepared to get a good deal while also supporting YOUR organization.

Workshops:

AGRICULTURE TEACHERS WORKSHOP

A workshop will be provided on Friday afternoon by Local Program Success staff member from the National FFA Organization for all agriculture teachers in attendance. The workshop will provide information on the new Ag Career Network which will be used to input FFA rosters. An update on the National FFA Organization will also be given and there will be time for questions and concerns.

AGRICULTURE ISSUES PANEL

A panel of key Agriculture leaders will discuss the Future of Agriculture in South Carolina and key initiatives affecting Agribusiness in the immediate future. During the workshop the panel members will have an introduction and discussion time and then the floor will be open for questions.

HORTICULTURE/PRUNING

Clemson University Horticulturist and Co-Star of *Making It Grow*, Amanda McNulty will provide a horticultural based workshop on the techniques of pruning and plant care. This workshop will be fun filled and full of excitement as Amanda discusses the horticulture field.

RISK MANAGEMENT & CROP INSURANCE

Custom Ag Solutions is partnering with the SCYFAA to present a program on risk management and the Federal Crop Insurance program. The program is designed to help ensure that farmers and ranchers effectively manage their risk through difficult periods, helping to maintain America’s robust food supply and the survival of small, limited resource, socially disadvantaged and other traditionally under-served farmers.

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PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Friday, January 20, 2012

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Registration Exhibit Set-up
3:00 – 5:00 PM	Ag Teacher Workshop
7:00 PM	BBQ at The Market

Saturday, January 21, 2011

7:30 - 8:30 AM	Business Meeting
9:00 - 10:00 AM	Agriculture Issues Panel
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Break
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12:00 PM	Awards Luncheon
2:00 – 3:00 PM	Workshops
7:00 PM	Banquet
9:00 PM	Auction