



Slow Food® Vancouver

Nominee: _____

ADOPT-A-FARMER **Terra Madre 2010** *Application of Nomination*

Criteria: A nominee must be a member of Slow Food Vancouver and a recognized food community. Preference will be given to youth (under 30). By accepting the funding, the recipient agrees to attend Terra Madre and upon return to their community, implement strategies designed to inspire, inform and/or educate both their immediate community and the broader community on lessons learned and their application to their local environment.

Nominee Information

Name: _____ Age: (>30) (<30)

Address: _____

Phone # _____ Email: _____

Name of your Food Community: _____

Note: Food communities are those people involved in the **production, transformation, and distribution of a particular food**, who are **closely linked to a geographic area** either historically, socially, or culturally. Food community members are **small producers** who make **high-quality products in a sustainable, traditional way** and may be defined by one product. The community is a network of farmers, fishermen, artisan producers, cooks, academics and youth who support this sustainable food production model

Additional Information to include:

- Member of Slow Food Vancouver**
- Minimum of one letter of support from a recognized member of your food community.**
*Please have name of nominee written at the top of the page
- A paragraph on why you want to go to Terra Madre? Identify possible strategies on how you propose to pass on the lessons learned at Terra Madre to both your immediate food community and to the broader community.**
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As one who is nominating the above stated nominee, I, _____, do officially state that the above information is true and accurate, to the best of my knowledge, as of this _____ day, of _____, 20__.



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Terra Madre's Seven Messages

There are seven key themes that are an integral part of Slow Food's philosophy:

1. Everyone has a right to food: Hunger is a major world problem and everyone should have the right to eat! One-billion people go to bed hungry while 1.7 billion suffer from diabetes, high blood pressure, cancer and other problems stemming from over eating.
2. Small-scale agriculture from our local communities is the future: We need to help small producers develop self esteem for what they have done. They should be "proud"ucers, according to Slow Food.
3. Food sovereignty is key to community: Slow Food's definition of food sovereignty is, "all people have the right to decide what they grow and eat." Food sovereignty describes our ability to act as a community to defend our food security.
4. Biodiversity is essential to a healthy food future.
5. Agriculture, food and cultural biodiversity, and local identities must be preserved: This includes the notion of preserving local know how relating to agriculture and the preservation of food.
6. Agriculture and the environment must be seen as being strongly interdependent: "Agriculture cannot be considered simply as an economic sector, producing the materials subject to the law of supply and demand." Present agricultural methods are considered to be an important cause of global warming, as stated in Slow Food's Manifesto on Climate Change and Agriculture, and they generate costs externalized in a market economy. Renewable energy communities and school gardens create some sustainable solutions.
7. Trade must be fair, supportive and local to be sustainable.



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