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CountrySide Farmers' Market Celebrates 10th Birthday at Akron Summit-County Public Library and Akron Art Museum

CountrySide Farmers' Market will celebrate its 10th birthday with a special farmers' market on April 5, 2014 from 10am-1pm at Akron-Summit County Public Library's Main Library and Akron Art Museum. The market will feature more than 40 local farmers, food producers, and artisans providing seasonal products and handmade gifts. Customers can expect to find in-season produce; pasture-raised beef, pork, poultry, lamb, and bison; artisan cheeses, handmade breads, pastries, and pasta; and much more. Kelli Hanley Potts of the Agrarian Collective will provide cooking demonstrations, inspiring home cooks to try out new uses for their spring vegetables. Slices of the CountrySide birthday cake will be available to the first 200 interested attendees.

Akron-Summit County Public Library will have librarians discussing books of interest to market goers, farm-centric storytime for kids. Parker Bosley will present *The Home Front: The Challenges of a Local, Sustainable Food System* at 1:30pm in the Library auditorium. A panel discussion, *Home Cooking: The Last Link in the Food Chain*, moderated by Noelle Celeste, Publisher of *Edible Cleveland*, will follow at 2:15pm. Akron Art Museum will have *Butter Churning Aerobics* at 11am and *Farm-to-Press Vegetable Printmaking* from 11am-1pm.

Established in 2004, CountrySide Farmers' Markets are vibrant, producers-only farmers' markets managed by CountrySide Conservancy. CountrySide Farmers' Markets are held in three unique locations: Howe Meadow in Peninsula, nestled in the middle of Cuyahoga Valley National Park; Highland Square, a thriving, walkable community in West Akron; and Old Trail School, a private school within Cuyahoga Valley National Park that emphasizes sustainability throughout its curriculum.

For more information on CountrySide Farmers' Markets, visit www.cvcountryside.org.

About CountrySide Conservancy

CountrySide Conservancy connects people, food, and land. We manage three thriving farmers' markets; offer educational programming for farmers, backyard gardeners, and home cooks with our CountrySide U courses; and through our CountrySide Initiative program have reestablished working family farms in Cuyahoga Valley National Park. To learn more visit www.cvcountryside.org.

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