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## **Maple Ridge Celebrates Agriculture and Great Local Food at the Golden Harvest**

**Maple Ridge, BC:** It's that time again! The Maple Ridge Agricultural Advisory Committee proudly presents "Golden Harvest – A Taste of Maple Ridge and Beyond". It was seven years ago, when the Maple Ridge Agricultural Advisory Committee partnered with the Haney Farmers Market to present the first Golden Harvest celebration.

Since that time, the Golden Harvest has become a popular event for local food enthusiasts to connect with local farmers, food producers and some of the fantastic culinary talent that works in our community every day. This year's event will be held on Friday, October 14, 2016 at The ACT Arts Centre from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

The event pairs up local producers of agricultural products such as berries, vegetables, meats and cheeses with the culinary talents of some of our wonderful local restaurants. These professionals create hot and cold appetizers that reflect the offerings of their restaurant and the bounty of our community. There are always a few new faces every year, come and check it out!

Another great part of the event is the culinary arts programs from our local high schools and community college. Students will be cooking up some tasty bites as they kick off their fall programs. It's a great way for them to learn and connect with their community.

We are also featuring several very short workshops on food-related activities such as Seed Saving, Juicing, Food Waste and Preserves!

Tickets for the event are \$30 for adults, \$20 for youth and seniors and can be purchased at the Haney Farmers Market or from The ACT Arts Centre Box Office. You can contact The ACT Arts Centre at 604-476-2787. Tickets are limited, so make sure you get yours early!

You can learn more about the event at [www.facebook.com/MRGoldenHarvest](http://www.facebook.com/MRGoldenHarvest). This is the best source to see the great local chefs and establishments who will be participating in the event.

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