

New York Sea Grant Hosts 6th Annual Seafood Summit

New York is a large, diverse state with a rich history in seafood production and processing. The seafood industry's geographic distribution and diversity can result in siloed efforts by the different sectors. Creating a space for coastal producers to effectively communicate, share, and learn can help to foster growth in the industry through the identification of common goals and opportunities for collaboration.

New York Sea Grant (NYSG) develops and organizes an annual Seafood Summit with industry and agency collaborators to provide an opportunity for the different sectors of New York's seafood industry to network and learn from each other.

The 2022 Seafood Summit focused on "Seafood and Health" and expanded efforts to different regions in the state. New partners with Cornell Cooperative Extension on Long Island and the Culinary Institute of America allowed NYSG to host events in Riverhead and Hyde Park in addition to the traditional event in Manhattan. Speakers for the 2022 Seafood Summit included representatives of New York's fishing and aquaculture industries as well as culinary professionals and nutritionists.

To foster opportunities for collaboration and informal interactions among the various sectors of New York's seafood industry, New York Sea Grant hosts and has expanded annual Seafood Summit events to engage a more diverse audience of seafood professionals across New York State.



Students from the Culinary Institute of America (CIA) shucked and tasted Oysterponds Shellfish Co.'s Oysterponds Select oysters during the 2022 Seafood Summit at the CIA. Photo: Michael Ciaramella/NYSG

*Seafood Summit and resources:
<https://www.nyseagrant.org/seafoodsummit>*

Partners:

- Center for Aquatic Animal Research and Management (CFAARM)
- GrowNYC
- Green Rabbits
- New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets
- Cornell Cooperative Extension Suffolk County

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