

COLUMBINES & COLORS: A SPRING AWAKENING CELEBRATION OF FLOWERS AND MEMORIES AT FORT HILL FARMS

Thompson, Connecticut, May 2, 2011 – Come celebrate the warm spring days and beautiful colors of spring flowers at Fort Hill Farms' Columbines & Colors event in Thompson on May 14th and 15th from 8a-5p. In addition to the thousands of blooms at the farms' Quintessential Gardens, nature lovers, photographers and artists from all over are invited to come view and capture the landscapes and celebrate the riot of colors on display. Free guided Garden Tours by Kristin Orr will be given at 9a & 2p each day.

“By mid May all of our Columbines should be blooming along with our many other flowers including Species Tulips (seldom-seen in gardens), Fritillaria and our Lupine Meadow should be all budded out,” says Kristin Orr, farmer of Fort Hill Farms and head green thumb of the award winning Quintessential Gardens. “It’s been such a long, cold winter and there’s no better way to celebrate the awakening of spring than by walking among the beautiful and fragrant flowers on display at our farm and gardens. We encourage people to come by and see the beauty on display and capture the memory. Even if you do not have a camera, the vivid memories are worth the trip!”

Visitors are encouraged to submit their best photograph from the weekend which captures the essence of the destination farm. One lucky entrant will win a spring supply of The Farmer’s Cow ice cream – one pint of seven flavors - which is served in the farm’s Creamery. The Farmer’s Cow ice cream is made with milk and cream from Fort Hill Farms. Plus plants from Quintessential Gardens at Fort Hill Farms will be available for purchase as well as cut-your-own flower bouquets. Additionally the farm’s Discovery Barnyard and Fort Hill Farms Mining Co will be open for the kids.

For more information, visit the farm’s website at www.FortHillFarms.com, on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/forthillfarmsct, or call (860) 923-3439. The farm is located at 260 Quaddick Road in Thompson, Connecticut.

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