



Vertical Farming Summit

This weekend in Berkeley, experts from a variety of disciplines including architecture, structural engineering, aquaponics, greenhouse growing, composting, alternative energy, aquaculture, hydroponics, integrated biological systems, sustainable farming, and urban agriculture are meeting for the first summit on vertical farming in urban areas, also rather inelegantly known as building-integrated sustainable agriculture.

The summit's co-organizers are Keith Agoada and James Kalin, founder and technical director, respectively, of Sky Vegetables, whose [website](#) will feature webcasts from the event, starting Friday at 8 am PST. Sky Vegetables originated as Agoada's plan to build hydroponic greenhouses on the rooftops of grocery stores. Kalin introduced the concept of collaborative brainstorming for an open-source prototype for rooftop farming. Their prototype system is featured on the website.

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