

MEET YOUR URBAN FARMER,

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How did you get into the world of agriculture?

Way back when in high school, I founded the Garden club. I had always been invested in environmental studies, particularly botany, and I fell in love with agriculture when I started working the small field that had been donated to the club. From there, I obtained a degree in Environmental Studies, and during the summer between academic years, I worked on organic farms in Washington State and North Carolina. I moved to Chicago after I graduated school and began working on urban farms in the city, integrating ecologically minded agricultural practices in my community.

1 Ultimate gardening tip:

Sharpen your tools! Maintaining your shears, hoes, knives etc.. will not only extend the life of your tools, it makes the work **SO much easier** when the tools are in tip-top shape.

Sharp tools = less blisters and sore hands.

If you were a vegetable, herb or plant which one would you be and why ?

I would be purple cabbage. I'm colorful, and tangy when fermented.

