Revisiting the Chicken/Duck Run in 2024

Updating my original Paris sewer model for a cleaner French Drain Model. Kid designed! Stay Tuned.

Nuisance and Willful Animals

What happened to all the leaves on my glorious sweet potato vines and why are there eight eggs in that raised bed? Find out here.

Tour of The Livestock Sheds

Welcome to the tour of the livestock shed at Mezzacello. We raise a variety of livestock and insects that are integral to the health of Mezzacello.

Next-Level Algae Collection

I have been cleaning biofilter sponges of their dried algae by hand. Today I repurposed my chicken feather plucker for algae.

Avian Flu and Sanitation

Avian Flu is deadly for chickens and ducks. When kids visit Mezzacello, I insist they sterilize the shoes in bleach. All feet covered!

The Foodist: Gnocchi with Creamed Eggs and Black Truffles

This is a sparkling and beautiful gnocchi, cream and egg dish with truffles and green chives.

The First Chick of 2022

Eight random eggs fertilized by a rooster and set into an automated incubator. The trick was a bath matte. I had to keep the eggs warm!

Robots, Chickens, and Ducks

A photo is from 2019, before I redesigned my coop system to sanitary specs. I should be in boots, The robots have always been here.

Chicken TV, Coop Tech, and Safety

Poultry monitoring using remote cameras and advanced tracking software and sensors. You know a futuristic chicken coop

Springtime, Chicks and the Truth About Ducks

Choose wisely when you are adding animals. to an urban farm. You need to know the pros and cons up front!