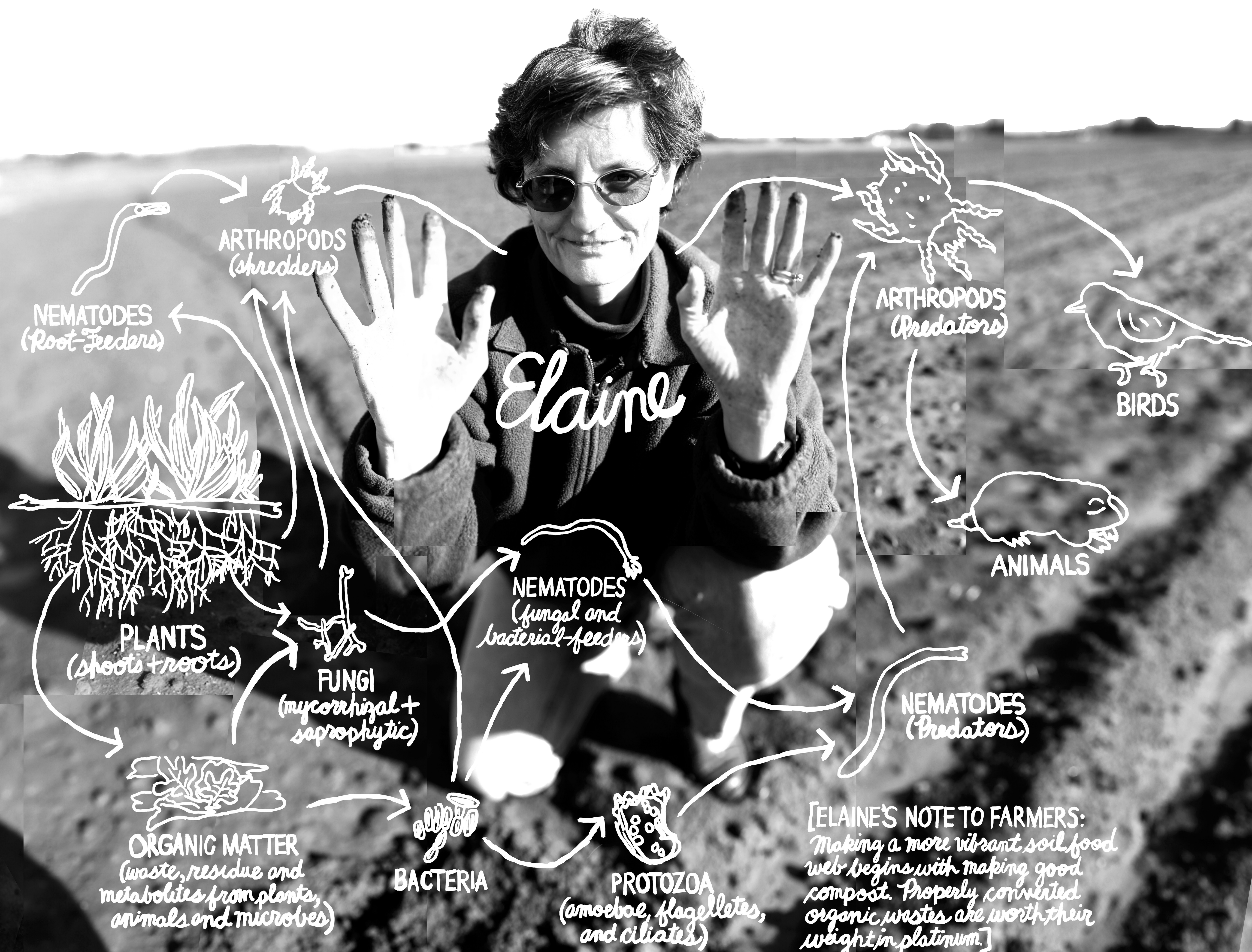


THE SOIL FOOD WEB

Our soil teems with a multitude of organisms which provide the necessary work for healthy plants to grow free from disease, pests and infertility. These interconnected interactions and feeding relationships (quite literally "who eats who") help determine the types of nutrients present in soil, its depth and pH, and even the types of plants which can grow.



[ELAINE'S NOTE TO FARMERS:
Making a more vibrant soil food
web begins with making good
compost. Properly converted
organic wastes are worth their
weight in platinum.]