2022 Home & Garden Show Master Gardener Garden Seminar Speaker Schedule March 4, 5, 6

Friday, March 4

11:00am Attracting Hummingbirds to your Garden by Master Gardener Sharon Matson

Aren't hummers wonderful? Come and learn fun facts about these sweet garden visitors. Sharon will discuss how to attract these wonderful creatures to your home garden.

12:00pm **Summer Vegetable Gardening by Master Gardener John Duran**

You don't need a large growing area to successfully grow summer vegetables. Come and join us to discuss summer vegetable planting techniques, container gardening, companion gardening, seed propagation and more. You can't fool Mother Nature, but you can trick her!

1:30pm Fundamentals of Irrigation by Master Gardener Timothy Sullivan

Most Central Valley gardeners over water their gardens. Learn about the two fundamentals of irrigation. Your garden will be healthier and more beautiful with proper irrigation. Plus, you will have a lower water bill! Effective spray irrigation, drip irrigation, and smart controllers will be discussed

3:00pm **House Plants for the Innocent, the Eager, the Curious** by Master Gardener Robbie Cranch

Do you think you have a purple thumb? You probably don't! Join us for a class on house plant selection, plant needs, and pest control. You will come away confident!

Saturday, March 5

11:00am **Moonlight Gardening by Master Gardener Marcia Rosenberg**

Learn to plant a moonlight garden, a garden that can be seen after dark and includes plants which are fragrant at night. Garden lighting to enhance this type of garden will be discussed. Water features, important in this landscape, will be described.

12:00pm The Secrets of Growing Tomatoes by Master Gardener Terry Freeto

Tomatoes are the crown jewels of the summer vegetable garden. MG Terry, our "Tomato Whisperer", will share the pitfalls and promises; best varieties and successful growing practices and even how to deal with those pesky pests and diseases.

1:30pm **Gardening with Herbs by Master Gardener Ann Edahl**

Are you looking to garden with drought-tolerant plants? Do you have a hankering for an edible landscape or kitchen garden? Do you want to bring more pollinators to your yard? Then join Ann and learn about the pleasures and benefits of adding herbs to your landscape!

3:00pm **Small Garden – Big Ideas by Master Gardener Charlie Hindes**

Make the most of your small garden. Explore the possibilities of every nook and cranny. Bring out the best of your limited space. The smallest garden can became your personal retreat.

Sunday, March 6

11:00am **Growing Vegetables in Containers & Integrated Pest Management by Master Gardener Maggie Boyajian Courtis**

Growing your own food can be done anywhere, even when all you have is a small patio. This presentation will include information on Integrated Pest Management with the latest techniques for battling unwanted critters in your home garden.

12:00pm Creating Succulent Arrangements by Master Gardener Patricia Alvarado

Succulent plants continue to expand in popularity. They are used as bridal bouquets, centerpieces, gifts, and in gardens. Plus arrangements can be made out of practically any container! Patricia will discuss everything you need to know to create a beautiful arrangement.

1:00pm **Boring to Beautiful Outdoor Pots by Master Gardener Brenda Ratzlaff**

Do your outdoor pots need a makeover? Brenda will demonstrate two gorgeous plant combinations, one pot for shade and one for sun. Come ready to get some great ideas.

2:00pm **Composting at Home by Master Gardener Dan Schara**

Learn how to quickly turn your garden clippings and kitchen scraps into valuable compost. Dan will discuss the "why & how" of starting your own compost pile and then using the finished product around your yard to enrich and improve your soil.