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Get Inspired: Create a Sustainable, Beautiful Garden that Helps You with Food Security  
Tour Love's Gardens Demonstration Garden for Ideas!

Santa Cruz, CA: Golden Love, the President and CEO of Love's Gardens, is opening the demonstration garden for a free virtual tour on Saturday, June 20, from 10:00–11:00 a.m. Pacific Time. Features highlighted on the tour include dozens of edible plants, rainwater catchment, laundry-to-landscape greywater system, and drought-friendly landscaping. Additionally, the property exemplifies three of Love's Gardens newer initiatives: climate restoration gardens, national parks campaign, and healing gardens. In the current context of COVID-19 and violence in our country, healing, restorative, food-producing gardens can provide respite from the many stressors we face. The tour is free, but people need to register in order to get the join link: <https://loves-gardens-virtual-tour.eventbrite.com>.

Golden Love is a noted authority on Water Neutral Gardens: landscapes that thrive on abundant but little-used water resources such as rainwater and greywater, rather than relying on drinking water from wells or municipal water systems. He began his career by pulling his neighbor's weeds at 6 years old. Almost 7 decades later, he's still playing in the dirt, but today he brings more than just enthusiasm. He is a trained horticulturist, licensed landscape contractor, permaculture designer, community college instructor, greatly sought-out consultant, and certified rainwater and greywater specialist.

Love owned a successful business that designed, built and maintained landscapes for businesses from San Francisco to Monterey for almost 30 years. He started Love's Gardens in 2003 in order to focus more fully on ecologically friendly approaches to landscaping. In the midst of climate change, species extinctions, habitat loss, and drought, Love is especially excited about helping customers maintain the vibrancy of their gardens through environmentally sustainable and cost-effective methods. That's why Love's Gardens specializes in rainwater harvesting, greywater, drought tolerant gardens, Climate Restoration Gardens, healing gardens, co-creative projects, and

edible landscaping. Satisfied customers regularly recommend Love's Gardens on Yelp and Nextdoor. Although Love's Gardens has historically served the Santa Cruz area and nearby areas, Golden Love is now available to consult with people about their gardens virtually, regardless of where they are located.

The Love's Gardens demonstration garden has been under development since 2004. Initial challenges of the site included poor drainage, extensive flooding during rains, low soil fertility, widespread Bermuda grass, and a lack of beauty, cohesiveness, or clear intent and function in terms of plant selection and placement. Now, 16 years later, the garden is alive with beauty, abundant produce, beneficial insects, birds, playfulness, and vitality. There are many surprises, for instance edible mushrooms, semi-tropical fruits, planting beds made from salvaged materials, and more. Golden Love will lead a tour of selected elements of the garden and will be available to answer questions.

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