



## 2023 Home & Garden Show Master Gardener Association of Fresno County Garden Seminar Speaker Schedule March 3, 4, 5

### Friday, March 3

**12:00pm Irises – Create a Beautiful Colorful Garden  
by Master Gardeners Rose Pipkin & Carolyn Morishita**

*The world is a rainbow of color when you plant irises. These drought tolerant plants perform well with just a little care. Learn the best techniques for growing and maintaining them, including 'rebloomers' that will give you beautiful Spring and Fall color.*

**1:00pm The Magic of Microgreens  
by Master Gardener John Duran**

*Did you know you can grow a garden in just 10 days, without soil? You will learn all about Microgreen Gardening; how to plant, sow and enjoy a healthy harvest. MG John will teach you this amazing technique.*

**2:00pm The Thoughtful Gardener's Approach to Design  
by Master Gardener Richard Moats**

*Want to design or remodel your garden? This presentation is a massive brainstorm in question format to bring out your preferences and clarify what resources you are working with. This is the very first step in the design process.*

**3:00pm You Can Have a Water-Wise Lawn!  
by Master Gardener Timothy Sullivan**

*Good news! With the help of new research and technology, it is now possible to make your lawn water efficient even in the Central Valley. MG Timothy will discuss lawn management, smart controllers, irrigation, grass varieties, fertilization, and the positive effects turf has on soil in your garden.*

## **Saturday, March 4**

### **11:00am Glorious Cacti in Bloom by Master Gardener Roz Tampone**

*All cacti are succulents, but not all succulents are cacti. Do you think cacti are large plants and have spines that can only poke at you and create pain? Learn about the care of cactus and see the marvelous array of flowers cacti produce in the Spring. You will be amazed at their beauty!*

### **12:00pm Making the Most of Your Summer Vegetables by Master Gardeners Marie Antoniou & Gwen Olshove**

*Learn the basics of summer vegetable gardening to ensure a bumper crop in your own backyard. Creating your garden, growing from plants and seeds, companion planting, preventing problems and growing TOMATOES will be discussed.*

### **1:00pm All About Roses...and Pruning too! by Master Gardener Michael Harman**

Learn the history of roses and how to successfully grow them in your home garden. If you love roses, you will not want to miss this presentation. MG Michael will demonstrate how to prune your roses so you can get the best blooms possible.

### **2:30pm Get Inspired and Plant a Pot by Master Gardener Brenda Ratzlaff**

*Welcome Spring in your outdoor garden or patio with a fresh flower pot! MG Brenda will demonstrate planting a container for a shady area along with plant suggestions for pots in sunny areas of your garden.*

## **Sunday, March 5**

### **12:00pm Backyard Composting by Master Gardener Ann Edahl**

*MG Ann will show you how to turn your garden clippings and kitchen scraps into valuable compost. You will learn the benefits of starting your own compost pile and what you can or shouldn't add to your pile. Also, how to fit composting into your lifestyle and ways you can use the finished product around your yard to enrich and improve your soil.*

**1:00pm All About Citrus**  
**by MG Marie Antoniou**

*Learn how to keep your citrus trees in tip top shape, as well as, producing abundant fruit. Learn how to prepare the soil, plant and care for your trees.*

**2:00pm California Native Plants**  
**by Master Gardener Carol Giovacchini**

*Have you ever wondered what to plant after one of our searing hot summers? Why not choose a California native? MG Carol will discuss the advantages of choosing landscape plants that are native to our area. Various plants will be shown and discussed, along with resources for learning more about them.*

**3:00pm Creative Topiary**  
**by Master Gardener Joanie Finch**

*Learn how to choose the right plant to make topiary for table top décor or in your garden landscape. MG Joanie will discuss proper care and feeding to keep your topiaries looking their best. She will demonstrate just how easy it is to create your own masterpiece.*

