

Katherine and Victoria take site visit of Taylor Street Farm to see new Community Composting Hub

Introduction

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Week Recap

- First Initial Training Course! Now every Thursday 6:30-8 pm.
- Lee Moncton, Megan Marwede, and Victoria Mollo taught Compost Basics at Los Altos Library!
- MG Coordinator Katherine U and Victoria R visited Taylor Street Farm to see the site of a new community compost hub

Upcoming

<u>Upcoming Workshops Needing Volunteers:</u>

Wednesday 3/27/2024 5pm - 7pm	Worm Composting	Joyce Ellington Branch Library 491 E. Empire St San Jose, 95112	San Jose
Saturday 4/6/2024 10am - 12pm	Compost Basics	Lucie Stern Community Center, Community Room 1305 Middlefield Rd.	Palo Alto
Saturday 5/4/2024 10am - 12pm	Compost Basics	Poppy Jasper Room, Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center 17000 Monterey Rd Morgan Hill, 95038	Morgan Hill
Saturday 5/11/2024 10am - 12pm	Compost Basics	Cupertino Library 10800 Torre Ave, Cupertino, CA 95014	Cupertino

<u>Upcoming Workshops Needing Volunteers:</u>

Thursday, April 11, 2024	10:00 am to 2:00 pm	Earth Day Arbor Day	Santa Clara
Wednesday, April 17, 2024	2:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Cisco Compute Green Social	San Jose
Thursday, April 18, 2024	11:00:00 AM-2:00 PM	Eco Fair	Santa Clara





Upcoming: Kids Composting

Los Gatos Library

- · Presentation: vermicomposting with DIY worm bin build
- Class: Elementary/middle
- Date: April 2nd 4:00-5:30 pm
- Address: 100 Villa Ave. Los Gatos, CA 95030



Stratford School

- Presentation: vermicomposting
- Class: Kindergarten, 120 students
- Dates/times: *Need at leat 4 volunteers, had to reschedule
- School Address: 890 Pomeroy Ave., Santa Clara, 95051



Campbell School of Innovation

We have Worms to give them so please sign up to help!

- Presentation: vermicomposting
- Class: 2nd Grade 100 students
- Possible dates/times: Second week of April 8:30-9:00, 9:00-9:30 or 10:30-11:00, 11:00-11:30
- School Address: 295 Cherry Lane Campbell, CA, 95008



Blach Intermediate School

- Presentation: compost basics
- Class: 7th Grade 175 students, (periods 1, 2, 3, 4, 6)
- Possible dates/times: April 15th or 22nd 8:30-3:03 pm
- School Address: 1120 Covington Road, Los Altos, 94024



Composting Advice for Hester School

We are a special ed school for adults ages 18-22 years old. Most students are have severe disabilities. They attend weekly gardening classes.

-Seeking advice about their own backyard school composting system

Please sign up for a kids classroom activity by filling out your name on the <u>Kids Composting Google Sheet</u> under the Master Composters column and I will confirm with the schools that we have at the minimum two volunteers confirmed to teach

Important Resources

- Log your hours continuously throughout the year so you don't get stuck in the June reappointment slump!
- Log your volunteer hours here!

You can find previous
 recorded CE speakers on
 the private Master
 Composter website.

Watch the meeting recordings here

Looking for example
 presentations and other
 helpful resources? Check
 out our shared Google
 Drive.

Explore the Google Drive here

Bookmark & save the
 <u>Continuing Education</u>
 <u>Zoom link</u>

Composting Ed
Initial Training
Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm

• Rot Crew Calendar:

Rot Crew Calendar Link

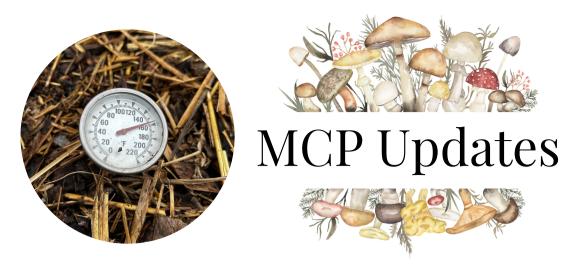






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EVENT SIGNUP





Third Saturday Work Day!

Work Day will Continue on April 20th

Wednesday Workdays

- Join us at Martial Cottle Park from 10-12
- Weather permitting
- check the rot crew google calendar for more information

Remember to post **scan the QR code by the worm CFT** any time you come to Martial Cottle Park to let us know what you've done there!

- (food scrap drop off, workday tasks, if you've taken compost, etc.)
- You can also do this <u>via the volunteer hours log</u> linked above
- Bring newspapers and unused bamboo chopsticks to Martial Cottle Park! (chopsticks are for worm demos)



COMPOST

in the

NEWS

*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

Opinion: How California's prized solution for methane gas is backfiring on farmers

The farm subsidies for a state program have skewed the market, making pollution as valuable as dairy in some cases

By: Darvin Bentlage

Mercury News

Oriental Fruit Fly Information

- Resident Fact Sheet:
- Resident FAQ
- <u>Interactive Map of the Oriental Fruit Fly Quarantine</u> (Residents can enter their address to see if their property is located in the quarantine area):

To learn more about fruit fly quarantines, please visit: <u>CAFruitFly.com</u>



