



Master Composter

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NEWSLETTER

IT Field Trip to GreenWaste in Gilroy 5/11/2024

Introduction

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Week Recap

- Victoria Roberts taught at Old Orchard School and Capri Elementary in Campbell and Yew Chung International School in Mountain View
- Karin Hickey tabled at the 8th Annual "Be Strong, Live Long" Health & Wellness Fair
- Jenel led the 3rd Saturday Workday and gave tours to the MCP Partner Volunteers
- 3rd Saturday Monthly meeting
- Terry Andre and Victoria Roberts taught a workshop at the Mountain View Public Library

Upcoming Workshops Needing Volunteers:

Saturday 6/1/2024 Help Mint!	Worm Composting	Everett N. "Eddie" Souza Park 2380 Monroe Street	Santa Clara
Saturday 6/22/2024 10am - 12pm Help Jennifer!	Compost Basics	Lucie Stern Community Center, Community Room 1305 Middlefield Rd.	Palo Alto
Saturday 7/27/2024	Compost Basics	Lucie Stern Community Center, Community Room 1305 Middlefield Rd.	Palo Alto

Upcoming Tabling Needing Volunteers:

Saturday, June 15, 2024	9:00 am to noon	3rd Annual Plant & Pollinator Day	San Jose
Open to Mon, Tues, or Thurs after June 10th and before August 7th	12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch at the Library - Composting Program for Families	Morgan Hill

Upcoming: Kids Composting

Thursday, May 30th, morning (?)	Rod Kelley School	3rd Grade	Gilroy
Wednesday in Summer (TBD)	Gilroy Gardens	4th-8th Grades	Gilroy



Important Resources



- **Log your hours** continuously throughout the year so you don't get stuck in the June **reappointment** slump!
- You can find previous **recorded CE speakers** on the private Master Composter website.
- Looking for example presentations and other helpful resources? Check out our shared **Google Drive**.
- Bookmark & save the **Continuing Education** **Zoom** link
- Rot Crew Calendar:



Log your volunteer hours here!

Watch the meeting recordings here

Explore the Google Drive here

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

Rot Crew Calendar Link



Signup Sheet Links



WORKSHOP SIGNUP

CLASSROOM SIGNUP

EVENT SIGNUP



MCP Updates



Next Third Saturday Work Day! June 15th

- **9 am- 11 am**
- **Monthly Meeting will be held in person! 11:15-12:15**
- **Bring your Greens!**

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!

- **Bring newspapers Martial Cottle Park!**



Interested in joining a Master Composter/Master Gardener Book Club?

- Check out books from our library here at 1553 Berger and discuss them with your volunteer peers!
The first book series to discuss will be a choice of one of Doug Tallamy's 5 books.
- Please rsvp to Ingrid Graeve at: ingridg210@yahoo.com. Indicate whether you prefer in-person or zoom meetings and which Doug Tallamy book you will be reading.

Thanks for your participation in our book club pilot program!





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NEWS

*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

San Jose enlisting the help of its residents to improve recycling rates

SAN JOSE -- It's a head-scratcher: Only 37 percent of recyclables get recycled but 95 percent of Californians have recycling. Most of it ends up in landfills, but one Bay Area city is hoping to remedy that situation with the help of its community.

By Anne Makovec, Molly McCrea

CBS news

How to compost at home, according to expert composters

If taking care of the planet is one of your goals for 2024, there are many things you can do on an individual level to be more sustainable. You can use eco-friendly products like Swedish dishcloths, reusable bags and bidets attachments. You can drive less or switch to more sustainable fashion brands and shoes. But if you still want to reduce your impact on the planet, there's another simple solution that everyone can do: composting.

By Kai Burkhardt

CNN



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