



Master Composter

August 5th, 2024

NEWSLETTER

Jay and Nathan teach Vermicomposting at the GRPC 8/3/24

Introduction

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Week Recap

- We finished off the Santa Clara County Fair!
- Jay and Nathan taught vermicomposting together for the first time at the Guadalupe River Park Conservancy!!
- Victoria Roberts and Michael Cohen submitted a proposal on writing a new Master Composter Handbook (feedback from MC's wanted)

Upcoming Workshops Needing Volunteers:

Saturday 9/7/2024	DIY Worm Bin Build & Hot Pile Demonstration	MCP Compost Demo Site	San Jose
Saturday 9/14/2024 Help Videhil!	Worm Composting	Elizabeth Gamble Garden 1431 Waverley St Palo Alto, CA 94301	Palo Alto
Saturday 9/28/2024	Compost Basics	Cupertino Library	Cupertino

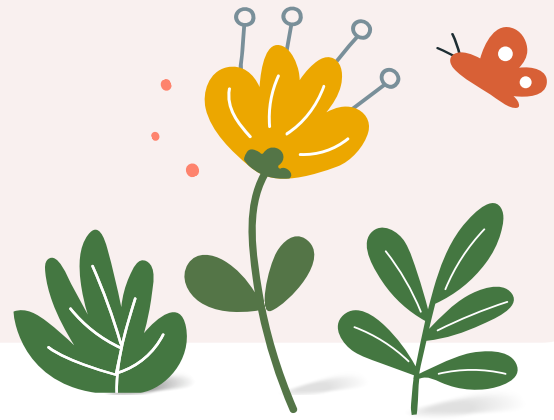
Upcoming Tabling Needing Volunteers:

Saturday, August 17, 2024	9:00 am to 1:00 pm	MC Park Volunteer Open House	San Jose
Saturday, September 14, 2024	10:00 am to 5:00 pm	Tiny Home Expo	San Jose
Saturday, October 5, 2024	9:00 am - 11:30 am	MG's Fall Festival Fall Garden Fair	San Jose

Upcoming: Kids Composting

Granada Islamic School Date TBD	K-12	Back Yard Compost	3003 Scott Blvd	Santa Clara
Russo/McEntee Academy 9/16-17	K-2 & 3-5	Vermicomposting	2851 Gay Ave	San Jose
Hellyer Elementary 9/30 or 10/14	K-3	Vermicomposting	725 Hellyer Ave	San Jose

AUGUST FIRST TUESDAY MEETING



Tomorrow! August 6th!



First Tuesday CE Link

Meeting ID: 919 3088 0896



KIDS GROUP

Come meet at 6:00 pm to discuss the upcoming school year!

Let's talk about:

- School Requests
- Updating the questions on the request form
- Updating the sign in sheet



CE MEET & GREET

All Master Composters please join! 6:30-7:30 p.m.

We wanted to discuss some program logistics and also open up the floor for you all to get to know each other and meet the new class of 2024!

I would really appreciate a good turnout so folks can connect and discuss their experiences with our program and hopes for the future.



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

First Tuesday CE Link
First Tuesdays each month

6:30-8:00 P.M

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Rot Crew Calendar Link

Signup Sheet Links

WORKSHOP SIGNUP

CLASSROOM SIGNUP

EVENT SIGNUP



MCP Updates



Third Saturday Work Day and Monthly Meeting August 17th

- **Please join us for a fun workday with the presence of the UCANR Strategic Communication Team who will be writing a story on our program**
- **Monthly Meeting will be held right after. Please join and log your attendance!**

Volunteer Appreciation Celebration Postponed Date TBD!!!

- **No Work Day but will be a potluck gathering**
- **Probably October or November**

Wednesday Workdays

- Join us at Martial Cottle Park from 9am -11
- Weather permitting
- Check the [rot crew google calendar](#) for more information
- **Come water our new trees! They need water at least twice a week. Get some volunteer hours by helping us water them.**

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!**



COMPOST

in the

NEWS

*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

Compostable plastic isn't the green alternative you think it is

Restaurants, hotels and schools are increasingly using single-use plastic products labeled as “compostable,” “biodegradable” or “Earth-friendly” as an alternative to traditional plastic. This would be great news — if those products did what they claim to do. Unfortunately, many are just as problematic as the plastic they’re replacing.

By Judith Enck

[SF Chronicle](#)

‘A good, green habit,’ How composting is making a difference in Sacramento and beyond

Composting is simple. All you need is a kitchen pail, food scraps and a napkin.

BY [ACSAH LEMMA](#)

[Sacramento Bee](#)



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