# 2019

Upcoming Master Gardener Classes & Workshops

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UCCE Master Gardener Program

## March 2019 UCCE Master Gardener Classes & Events Presented by UCCE Master Gardeners Serving Amador and El Dorado counties 530-621-5512 \* For our class schedules, visit http://cecentralsierra.ucanr.edu/Master Gardeners/

## **Amador County Classes**

## 3/2 Planting a Kitchen Garden - Gardening for Great Eating

Gardens come in all shapes and sizes. What is your personal idea of a garden? Do you plant from spring into summer, harvesting most of your garden's bounty for the table and preserving some for the winter months? Or do you prefer harvesting year-round for your family's table with very little set aside for preserving? UCCE Master Gardeners of Amador County Susan Port and Noreen Goff will share information and techniques for planning and harvesting a typical American Harvest Garden and a French Kitchen Garden, potager or soup garden at their Public Education class, "Planning A Kitchen Garden- Gardening for Great Eating" on Saturday, March 2, 2019. Guidance on planting dates, methods, appropriate plants for various settings and uses and their care and maintenance will be provided. Handouts will be available. The class is free and open to the public. No reservations are required.

#### 9:00 am to Noon

Location: Amador County GSA Building, 12200-B Airport Road, Jackson

## 3/9 Pruning and Grafting a Home Vineyard

Do you enjoy growing grapes in your own vineyard, but you're not sure how to prune them? Thinking of trying a few grafts to vary or improve your grapes? Join the UCCE Master Gardeners of Amador County for a Public Education class on Saturday, March 9, 2019 for information, guidance and experience. This will be a hands-on, interactive class. Both spur and cane pruning will be demonstrated and practiced. Bring your bypass pruning shears and learn how to prune under Master Gardener supervision. Grape grafting will also be covered. Handouts will be provided. The class is free and open to the public. for the location.

#### 9:00 am to Noon

**Location:** It will be offsite. Please call 223-6838 or email <u>mgamador@ucanr.edu</u> after February 23, 2019 for the location. Please leave your name and the number attending and the Master Gardeners will contact you with directions.

For More Amador Classes Click Here:

## El Dorado County

## 3/9 Second Saturday Open Garden Day

Open Gardens include Vegetable, Succulent, and Orchard. There will be hands-on straw bale gardening in the vegetable garden and a pruning demonstration in the orchard.

#### 9:00 to 11:00 am, \$2 parking

Location: Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville

### 3/13 Back to Basics for Gardeners

Come and learn the basics of gardening from the beginning. Know your soil, proper tools and technique, how to read a nursery plant label and buy healthy plants, irrigation methods, what does "full sun" really mean and more.

#### 9:00 am to Noon

Location: Cameron Park Community Center, 2502 Country Club Drive, Cameron Park

## 3/16 Pests and Pollinators

An ecologically-sustainable garden is both beautiful and able to attract and sustain pollinators and beneficial insects, reducing the need for pesticides. Plant selection directly affects beneficial insect populations, those insects that can provide ecological benefits such as biodiversity and natural pest control. This concept of "habitat management" provides a refuge for the insects during winter, and nectar and pollen resources, leading to increases in pollination and populations of other beneficial insects that help control pests in the garden.

#### 9:00 am to Noon

Location: Government Center Hearing Room Building C, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville

## 3/23 Tomatoes from Seed to Table

In this combination Master Gardener and Master Food Preserver event, Master Gardeners will show you how to choose the right varieties, deal with insects and diseases, care for, and harvest your tomatoes. Master Food Preservers will talk about what you can do with your tomato harvest: canning, dehydrating and freezing.

#### 9:00 am to Noon

Location: Government Hearing Room Building C, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville

## 3/30 Grow n' Show Your Plants at the Fair (Kids' Class)

Grow n' Show is designed for kids ages 5 to 12 and will cover the basics of growing plants. After the budding young gardeners learn the fundamentals, they will be encouraged to demonstrate their new skills by entering their plants in peer competition at the upcoming county fair. Interested students are encouraged to pre-register online at <u>http://ucanr.edu/uccemg-edccountyfair</u> or by calling Master Gardeners at 530-621-5512.

**10:00 to 11:00 am, \$2 parking Location:** Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville

See more Classes in El Dorado County.



El Dorado County: April 20, 2019 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville

Amador County: April 27, 2019 - 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at American Legion Hall, 12134 Airport Road, Jackson

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