2019

Upcoming Master Gardener Classes & Workshops



May 2019 UCCE Master Gardener Classes & Events

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Serving Amador, El Dorado, Calaveras & Tuolumne
counties

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Amador County Classes

5/4 Creative Composting

Composting is Nature's way of recycling. It is a satisfying way to turn your fruit, vegetable and green waste into a dark, crumbly, sweet-smelling soil conditioner. Composting saves money by lowering trash bills and replacing store-bought soil conditioners. It helps garden and house plants by improving the health of your soil as well as saving water by helping soil hold moisture. Learn how you can benefit your garden and the environment by recycling valuable organic resources by attending this class. Various home garden composting methods and materials will be discussed. Information about worm composting or vermiculture will also be included. Handouts will be available. This 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

5/18 Planting for Change

Healthy, beautiful, productive gardens need a balance of various natural conditions in order to thrive. As many gardeners have noticed, climate change is already having an impact on our gardening efforts and plans. Higher temperatures and changing rainfall patterns are causing changes in growing seasons and insect life cycles. Even warm weather plants like tomatoes and peppers are harmed by increased temperatures. Considering the connection between successful gardening, air temperature and rainfall, a changing climate will create some new challenges for gardeners. If you are interested in learning methods for managing the changes, join the UCCE Master Gardeners of Amador County for the Public Education class, "Planting for Change" on Saturday, May 18, 2019. Master Gardeners will provide information on various ways to plant and manage your garden and landscape for the future, including how to properly remove and replace your lawn. They will also discuss some of the Amador Master Gardeners' favorite landscape plants and techniques you can use to make your garden more sustainable over time.

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See more classes in Amador County.

Plant Sale - April 27 at the American Legion Hall in Jackson.

Plant Inventory List



El Dorado County

Fridays-Saturdays - Sherwood Demonstration Garden Open Days

Sixteen individual gardens are open to the public, Master Gardener docents are available for information and gardening questions. See beautiful plants, spring blooms, fruits and veggies that grow in our local climate. Open garden days this month are April 5th, 6th, 12th, 13th, 19th, 20th, 27th and 28th.

9:00 am to Noon, \$2 parking (look for kiosks), Location: Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville

5/4 Making Worms Work for You

Join Master Gardeners for their presentation on how to use these hard-working friends of all gardeners: the worms. Learn how worms can rapidly break down kitchen waste to

make worm compost, one of the best organic fertilizers possible. Also covered will be the types of worms needed, how to harvest the compost, and how to set up a worm bin.

9:00 am to Noon, \$2 parking (look for kiosks), Location: Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville

5/8 Houseplants

Join Master Gardener Sarah Robinson when she shows how to bring your garden inside! For those who love plants, but are unable to grow outside, Sarah will show various houseplants, and methods to keep them looking lush and lively. This will be an informative talk for all!

9:00 am to Noon, Location: Cameron Park Community Center, 2502 Country Club Drive, Cameron Park

5/11 Second Saturdays, Open Garden Day

Emphasis on square foot gardening; edible flowers and herbs; shade structures; and critter control. The Succulent Garden and Master Gardener Bobbie Handen will answer questions.

9:00 to 11:00 am, \$2 parking, Location: Sherwood Demonstration Garden, 6699 Campus Drive, Placerville

5/18 Water Resilient Gardening

Using water wisely is important for sustainable gardening, even in wet years! Learn how your plant choices, soil, irrigation and garden design can help you create a water resilient garden. Rain water harvesting and greywater use will also be covered, as well as practical insights and tips on this important subject.

9:00 am to Noon, Location: Government Center Hearing Room Bldg C, 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville

See more Classes in El Dorado County.

Calaveras County

5/11 Kid's Day

The garden will be open for kids of all ages. Kid's Day offers adults and children an opportunity to engage in the learning process while having a good time. We know that children learn through their senses; gardening and outdoors provide the perfect outlet to use each sense to its fullest. Activities this year include decorating a book bag, a free book, nature art, flower pots, kids cooking, worms, music, face painting, and much more!! The whole family is welcome.

10:00 am to Noon, Location: Demonstration Garden, 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas

5/25 Open Garden Day

This month, in the Learning Center, we will take some time to investigate the role of bees and other beneficial insects as well as how to identify the insects that share our appetite for the plants in our gardens.

PLANT SALE NOTE: Find a diverse selection of hardy and heirloom vegetables.

10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Plant Sale is from 10:00 am to Noon, Location: Demonstration Garden, 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas.

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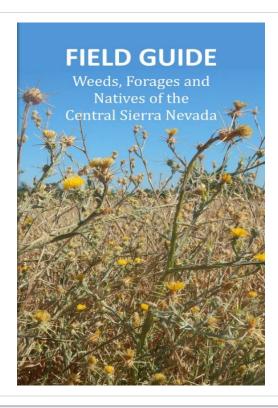
Tuolumne County

5/4 Open Garden Day & Plant Sale

This month we will discuss growing and caring for summer vegetables & the benefits of mulching.

We will also be having a Plant Sale. Here is your chance to start your garden right this year with Plants Raised Here to Grow Here! We will have vegetables, annuals, perennials and native plants available for purchase.

10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Location: Demonstration Garden, 251 S. Barretta Street, Sonora.



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