



## UC MASTER GARDENERS OF PLACER COUNTY 2017 FREE WORKSHOPS AND OPEN GARDEN DAYS

These free workshops will be held outdoors at the Master Gardener Demonstration Garden, 11477 E Avenue in the DeWitt Center, Auburn (enter via Richardson Drive and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street). Come for one or stay for all!

**Rain will cancel.** Please dress for the weather. Registration is not required.

### **FEBRUARY 2017**

#### **Saturday, February 18 Workshops**

- 9-10 am "What's in That Bottle?"  
Learn the basics of reading pesticide bottles and how to decipher the information.
- 10-11 am "What's in That Bag?"  
Learn how to read and decipher the information on bagged soils and amendments.

#### **Wednesday, February 22 Open Garden Day**

11 am-1 pm Tour the Garden/Ask a Master Gardener

### **MARCH 2017**

#### **Saturday, March 18 Workshops**

- 9-10 am "Basic Composting and Composting with Worms"  
Learn the basics of backyard composting. Also, learn how worms can recycle kitchen scraps.
- 10-11 am "Starting Your Summer Garden"  
What you need to know to fill your kitchen with vegetables from your garden.

#### **Wednesday, March 22 Open Garden Day**

11 am-1 pm Tour the Garden/Ask a Master Gardener

### **APRIL 2017**

#### **Saturday, April 22 Workshops**

- 9-10 am "What's The Buzz?"  
Attracting and protecting our winged visitors. Come and learn what humming-birds, butterflies, native bees and other garden visitors need in our gardens.
- 10-11 am "There's Always Room for a Garden"  
Have a small space and want a garden? Learn how to get the most of the space you have.

#### **Wednesday, April 26 Open Garden Day**

11 am-1 pm Tour the Garden/Ask a Master Gardener

### **MAY 2017**

#### **Saturday, May 20 Workshops**

- 9-10 am "Good Bug? Bad Bug?"  
Learn to identify if that bug in your yard is a good guy or a bad guy.
- 10-11 am "Living with Our Native Oaks"  
How to garden under our oak trees.

#### **Wednesday, May 24 Open Garden Day**

11 am-1 pm Tour the Garden/Ask a Master Gardener

### **JUNE 2017**

#### **Saturday, June 17 Workshop**

- 8-9 am "Build a Pollinator Corridor"  
Learn to identify nectar and host plants attractive to your local pollinators.
- 9-10 am "Remove your Lawn and Create a Pollinator Paradise"  
Our speaker is the grand prize winner in the Regional Water Authority's "Rethink Your Yard Photo Contest."

#### **Wednesday, June 21 Open Garden Day**

11 am-1 pm Tour the Garden/Ask a Master Gardener

### **JULY 2016**

#### **Saturday, July 15 Workshop**

- 9-10 am "Harvesting and Preserving Your Summer Crop"  
Learn the basics of harvesting fruits and vegetables, and how to safely preserve them.

#### **Wednesday, July 19 Open Garden Day (canceled due to heat)**

### **AUGUST 2017**

#### **Saturday, August 19 Workshop**

- 9-10 am "Year Round Vegetable Gardening"  
How to grow more food than you ever thought possible during the fall/winter months. This workshop will cover the differences between growing in the summer and the winter, what you need to be successful, and what vegetable varieties do best in our area.

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## UCCE PLACER COUNTY MASTER GARDENER 2017 PUBLIC EVENTS CALENDAR

**Wednesday, August 23 Open Garden Day (canceled due to heat)**

### **SEPTEMBER 2017**

**Saturday, September 16 Workshop**

9-10 am "Lasagna Gardening"  
How to prepare your garden bed without tilling.

**Wednesday, September 20 Open Garden Day**

11 am-1 pm Tour the Garden/Ask a Master Gardener

### **OCTOBER 2017**

**Saturday, October 21 Workshops**

9-10 am "Basic Composting"  
Learn the basics of backyard composting.

10-11 am "The Benefits of Planting California Native Plants"  
Learn how planting a variety of California native plants can beautify your yard while also creating a vibrant garden alive with bees, birds, and butterflies.

**Wednesday, October 25 Open Garden Day**

11 am-1 pm Tour the Garden/Ask a Master Gardener

For details about these workshops as well as other master gardener events, visit the Placer County Master Gardener website at <http://pcmg.ucanr.org/> or call the master gardener Hotline at (530) 889-7388.

Placer County Master Gardeners are University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) ambassadors to the Placer County home gardening community. Master gardeners promote environmental awareness and sustainable landscape practices, and extend research-based gardening and composting information to the public through educational outreach. UCCE is part of the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR) of the University of California.