

SPRING GARDENING TALK SERIES

presented by the

UC Master Gardener Program of Contra Costa County

March 12 **Seasonal Vegetable Gardening**, Jack Cortis

Successfully growing healthy, delicious fruit and vegetables in your garden is easier and less time consuming than you might think. Come join us for an informative presentation on how you can create a thriving edible garden using less space and less water than you may have thought. This presentation will cover a wide range of topics including: soil preparation; getting started with seeds and transplants; utilizing cover crops for soil health, fertilizing; irrigation; mulching; planting times and selecting the right crops. Attendees will leave the lecture with the knowledge necessary to create their own abundant garden!

April 9 **Saving Water In The Landscape**, Roxy Wolosenko

CCMG's Roxy Wolosenko will expertly guide the audience through a variety of practices that will help homeowners conserve water in their landscape. Learn about irrigation methods, plant selection and placement, water gardening and rainwater harvesting. Methods for creating rain gardens to capture rainwater onsite, rainwater harvesting, and other water conservation ideas will be discussed. Participants will also receive hands-on practice using irrigation components.

May 14 **Unseen World Under Your Feet**, John Fike

Do you ever stop and wonder about the soil we walk on? Soil is an amazing resource. Soil provides 95% of the foods we eat. It is an environment where the animal kingdom and the plant kingdom intersect to form a fascinating, synergistic ecosystem. Come learn from Biochemist and UCCE Master Gardener, Dr. John Fike how this world beneath our feet works.

6:30 P.M.

Second Thursday of each month

Talks are FREE

Talks will last about 1- 1 1/2 hours in total, including time for questions and answers.

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