

SUMMER GARDENING TALK SERIES

presented by the
UC Master Gardener Program of Contra Costa County

June 13 - Mediterranean Climate and Plants, Dawn A Kooyumjian

A drought-tolerant garden need not be a lone cactus in a sea of rocks! Come learn about our unique climate and how plants in many parts of the world have adapted to growing with little to no summer rain. You will come away inspired and with a deeper understanding of gardening with limited water.

July 11 - Good Bug, Bad Bug, John Fike

Many of us consider all of the insects in our local environment to be pests and are quick to use rather noxious chemicals to eradicate them. Good Bug, Bad Bug will provide a snapshot image of the fascinating insect populations all around us. Insect pests (bad bugs) will be shown alongside the beneficial insects (good bugs) that prey on them. Nature has provided a safer and arguably better solution to insect control than using toxins in your environment!

Aug 8 - Edible Flowers, Pam Austin

We all know how beautiful flowers are in enhancing our gardens but many people are unaware of how flowers can enhance what we do in the kitchen. Join us for a fascinating discussion on the many types of edible flowers. We will show you fun ways to enjoy and enhance your culinary efforts with beautiful flowers year round!

Sept 12 - Planning a Winter Vegetable Garden, Jack Cortis

Believe it or not, this is the time to start planning your winter garden! Learn how growing vegetables in the winter has its advantages over summer vegetables and what allowances have to be made for the shorter days and less intense sunlight.

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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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