

Garden Talks on Sunday, May 7

Talks are organized by City and listed by Garden Number.



Richmond

- #1 2:00 “Native American uses of California native plants” by Dave Drummond

Berkeley

- #4 11:00 and 2:00 “How to create a wildlife habitat garden using local native plants” by Glen Schneider

Piedmont

- #6 11:00 and 1:00 “Replace your traditional lawn with a low-water use, sustainable, low-to-no-mow native sod. Come and hear about three kinds of turf replacement—bentgrass, Delta grassland, or “Native Mow-Free” by staff from the Delta Bluegrass Company

Oakland

- #10 12:00 “How to attract bees, birds, and butterflies to your garden” • 3:00 “Creating low-or-no water-consuming gardens” both by Michael Hogan
- #11 2:30 “Choosing beautiful, colorful and dependable native plants that please the eye and enhance habitat” by Michael Thilgen of Four Dimensions Landscape
- #12 11:00 and 1:00 “Medicinal uses of commonly grown California native plants” by Lauren Bennett

San Lorenzo

- #13 10:00 “How to attract bees and butterflies to your garden with native plants” by Sharon Horgan • 11:00 and 1:00 “How to replace your lawn with natives the cheap and easy way, and get paid for it, too!—includes handouts” by San Lorenzo High students, Sandra Nevala-Lee of Green Thumb Works, Steve Wiley, and a representative from EBMUD • 2:30 “Ten native plants needed to create a Native American school garden and curriculum—includes handouts” by Steve Wiley

Castro Valley

- #15 Alrie Middlebrook will be available all day to discuss how she and her staff worked with Dale to design the garden, review the challenges they encountered, and describe the merits of the plants that were installed. Bring photos of your own garden to obtain design advice and plant recommendations.
- #16 11:00 and 2:00 “How to make a gravity-fed drip fountain” by Mary Cooper

More Garden Talks on Sunday May 7

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Livermore

- #19 2:00 “Five easy design ideas to do your own front garden, using four rocks, one pot, and twenty one plants” by Kat Weiss
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San Ramon

- #23 12:00 “There are many benefits of retaining rainwater on-site! How to do it, and why” by Aisha Bouziane • 11:00 and 2:00 “Choosing and caring for the right manzanitas, California lilacs, buckwheats, and sages for your garden” by Pete Veilleux of East Bay Wilds

Lafayette

- #25 1:00 “Practical tips for installing drip irrigation in native plant gardens: Curious about how you can conserve water in your own garden? Bring your questions!” by Roxy Wolosenko

Moraga

- #26 11:00 and 12:00 “Gardening for native bees” by Elsa Zisook • 1:00 and 3:00 “Al’s best tips from forty-five years of planting and growing California natives: a sit-down discussion” by Al Kyte
- #27 11:00 “Catch it, save it, spread it: how to convert your swimming pool into a rainwater storage tank” by Roxy Wolosenko and Jeff and Kathleen Johnson

Orinda

- #28 11:00 and 2:00 “How and why to obtain local native plants for your garden” by Barbara Leitner
- #30 All day: Sheetmulching demonstration will be offered throughout the day in the back garden; find out how you can lose your lawn, get a garden, and receive up to \$2.00 a sq. foot in rebates! • 12:00 “How to garden for the birds and the bees” by Pat Rudebusch

Walnut Creek

- #34 11:00 and 3:00 “Gardening for the birds” by Nancy Wenninger

Concord

- #36 10:00 and 2:00 “How to receive lawn-to-garden rebates and design assistance” by staff from the Contra Costa Water District’s Water Conservation Program • 11:00 and 1:00 “No average front yards allowed! How to take the space you’ve got and make the most of it with native plants” by Kelly Marshall