

## 2012 Winter Lecture Series : Do It Yourself Vegetables, Berries & Herbs



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### Ulster County BOCES

175 Rt. 32 North in New Paltz.

February 9 & 16, and March 1 & 22

#### February 9, 7:00pm to 9:00pm Composting - John McCormick

Everything you wanted to know about composting and then some! Whether you compost at home or just thinking about starting to compost, you will learn the best way to compost your kitchen and yard waste and turn it into beautiful soil using the best methods that fit your situation. We will cover the benefits, elements needed, different approaches that can be used and the practical uses of compost.

*John McCormick has been a Master Gardener since 2007. He is a retired HS Social Studies Teacher and Adjunct Professor School of Education at Marist College.*

#### February 16, 7:00 to 9:00pm Vegetables From Seed: Spring Through Fall Barbara Bravo

Every year we are inundated with seed catalogs and alluring displays of seed packets at our favorite garden centers. Learn to base your choices on proven varieties for our local area and basic information such as starting your own plants vs. buying, using coldframes, interplanting to maximize your garden space, the benefits of annual crop rotation and how to replace valuable nutrients to the soil through cover crops and green manures.

*Instructor - Barbara Bravo is a Master Gardener, Garden Coach and ceramic artist. She is a frequent speaker at Garden Day and local events. Barbara has planted and maintained ornamental and vegetable gardens at her home and studio for more than 25 years.*

#### March 1, 7:00pm to 8:00pm Part 1 Every Tomato Under The Sun - Teresa Rusinek

Over 100 varieties of heirloom, Cherry, Grape, Field and Plum tomatoes were grown on a local farm in 2011. Learn which were the favorites and why.

*Instructor: Teresa Rusinek is the Commercial and Community Horticultural Educator at Cornell Cooperative Extension in Ulster County where she provides oversight to the Ulster County Master Gardeners. She has had over 20 years experience in horticulture. Teresa works with vegetable farmers in Ulster County, helping them trouble shoot production problems.*

#### Part 2 March 1, 8:00pm to 9:00pm Herbs - Allyson Levy

Herbs are legendary; they play prominent roles in the culinary arts and enjoy a rich folkloric history. Their medicinal value is well known. In the ornamental garden they are easy to grow and mostly deer resistant. This class will introduce you to the history of herbs, their many uses and some practical tips about growing them.

*Instructor: Allyson Levy is a Master Gardener. She and her husband have an edible and decorative garden company, Hortus Conclusus. Allyson helped spearhead 2 edible gardens in the Rondout Valley School District, where she volunteers as a MG. Allyson and her husband are turning their 11-acre property into a botanical garden*

#### March 22, 7 to 9pm Small Fruits Explained - Steve McKay

This is a 2-hour intensive training class about cultivation practices, harvest and storage of berry crops including blueberries, currants, gooseberries, elderberries, and brambles as well as uncommon bush fruits such as honeyberry, aronia and saskatoon.

*Instructor: Steve McKay is a former Extension Educator for CCE HV in the commercial fruit program. He has a BS in International Agricultural Development and Entomology and a MS in Pomology, both from UC Davis. His expertise is in berries, grapes and processing.*

## 2012 WLS Registration Form

Space is limited / Pre-registration is encouraged

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- \_\_\_\_ February 9 - \$15  
\_\_\_\_ February 16 - \$15  
\_\_\_\_ March 1 - \$15  
\_\_\_\_ March 22 - \$15  
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