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**UCCE MASTER  
GARDENERS  
OF  
RIVERSIDE COUNTY  
FEBRUARY 2020  
EVENTS eBLAST**

**We appreciate your interest in our program and look forward to seeing you at our events!**

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# Fruit Tree Grafting

Larry Dodson, Master Gardener  
February 1 • 10 am

Larry Dodson is a Riverside County Master Gardener and is the past president of California Rare Fruit Growers Riverside Chapter. He has a home orchard with a large variety of fruit trees and has given talks on the care, maintenance and propagation of fruit trees throughout Riverside County.



## ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Do you have questions about gardening? Get them answered by UCCE Riverside Master Gardeners.

**First Saturdays: 9 am - 12 pm**



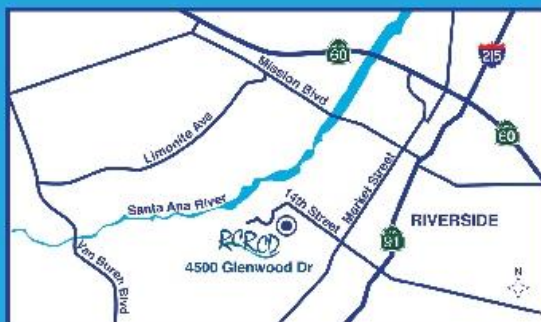
## Learn about sustainable Native Habitats, Urban Areas, and Agriculture:

Tour the **LandUse Learning Center**, a 3-acre demonstration garden of sustainable practices. Pick up plant lists for each area, and find the waterwise plants that you might like to have for your yard.



**Open Daily, 8 am to 4:00 pm**  
**4500 Glenwood Dr., Riverside**

Free. For more information, please contact Erin Snyder at (951) 683-7691 ext. 207 or [snyder@RCRCD.org](mailto:snyder@RCRCD.org) or [www.RCRCD.org](http://www.RCRCD.org)



# RCRCD

Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District



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**An Invitation From  
WMWD and UCCE Riverside County Master  
Gardeners**



## Join Us For a Free Gardening Workshop



### “Shade Trees for the Inland Empire”

Choosing the right tree for the right place. Take away the guessing game of what trees will survive in the Inland Empire. Our Guest Speaker, Pam Pavela Certified Arborist, will share with us how to properly care for your trees. Including, watering, mulching and pruning! The presentation will be followed by a question and answer session.

**WHEN:** Saturday, February 8, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Western Municipal Water District  
14205 Meridian Parkway, Riverside, CA 92518  
Just off the 215 Freeway at Alessandro Blvd., on Meridian  
Parkway between Alessandro and Cactus Ave.

**RSVP:** [bit.ly/mggarden](https://bit.ly/mggarden)

Presented by WMWD and UCCE Riverside County Master Gardeners



Follow the Master Gardeners on Facebook

## REMINDER:

Please RSVP for this workshop at the link below.

Seating is limited. Walk-ins are welcome if space is available.

Please arrive early to check in and get your seat.

UCCE Master Gardeners are in the lobby to answer your gardening questions and share research-based information on an array of gardening and landscaping topics.

[PLEASE RSVP HERE](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS and RSVP to  
RESERVE YOUR SEAT FOR THE  
MARCH WORKSHOPS:

Saturday, March 14: "***The Down-Sized Organic Vegetable Garden***" presented by Kathy Swanson,  
UCCE Master Gardener

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**IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!**

Fun for All!

*Please Look for the UCCE Master Gardeners at the  
**Riverside County Fair and Date Festival***

***FEBRUARY 14-23, 2020***

Click [here](#) For More Information



**Home Gardening Basics --- Designed for the Home Gardener with the Experience and Expertise of UCCE Master Gardeners!!!**

**REGISTER NOW----DON'T MISS OUT ON THE CLASSES IN MARCH**



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**HOME GARDENING BASICS**

On FRIDAYS in March, the UCCE Master Gardeners of Riverside County will offer a series of gardening classes for members of

**the public.**

Register early as the space is limited to **25** students. The cost for all 4 classes is \$50, and will include all materials. (The tuition will go towards expenses and supporting the Master Gardener Program. Master Gardeners are volunteers and are not paid for their time.)

**Classes are held on Fridays in March**

**Class time is 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**3/6/20 - The Basics:** Soil, water, sun, vocabulary, tools, safety

**3/13/20 – Putting It All Together:** Gardening design, preparation, irrigation & resources

**3/20/20 - Garden to Table:** Vegetables, fruits & herbs, integrated pest management (IPM)

**3/27/20- Best Plants for Riverside County:** Drought tolerant & natives, firescaping

**Light refreshments will be provided, and each class will feature an opportunity drawing for gardening essentials.**

**Held at Eastern Municipal Water District--Perris**

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**NO WALK-INS PLEASE**

**For information contact the Class Coordinator, Linda Powell  
at [gardenbasics4u@gmail.com](mailto:gardenbasics4u@gmail.com)**





***CERTIFIED FARMERS MARKETS  
FEATURING  
UCCE MASTER GARDENERS***

These fun events combine shopping for fresh fruits and vegetables, gourmet foods, flowers, crafts, and many other interesting items with an "Ask the Master Gardener" information table. Master Gardeners are present to answer your gardening questions, hand out a wide range of materials on gardening topics, and present "how to do it" gardening demonstrations. This is where you can find UCCE Master Gardeners of Riverside County at farmers markets in February!

**Corona Farmers Market** - Saturday, February 1, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, North Main Street, Corona

**Banning Farmers Market** - Tuesday, February 4, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, 600 N. Highland Springs Ave. (San Geronio Memorial

Hospital), Banning

**Kaiser Permanente Medical Center Farmers Market** - Friday, February 7, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, 10800 Magnolia, Riverside

**Palm Springs Farmers Market** - Saturdays, February 8 & 22, from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm, at the Camelot Theater parking lot, 2300 E. Baristo Rd., Palm Springs

**La Quinta Farmers Market** - Sundays, February 9 & 23, from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm, 78100 Main Street, La Quinta

**Temecula Promenade Farmers Market** - Wednesdays, February 12 & 26, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, in the JC Penney parking lot, 40820 Winchester Road, Temecula

**Palm Desert Farmers Market** - Wednesdays, February 12 & 26, from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm, in the parking lot between Palm Desert Chamber of Commerce and the Art Museum, 72599 CA-111, Palm Desert

**Moreno Valley Farmers Market** - Thursday, February 13, from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm, 14075 Frederick St., Moreno Valley

**Downtown Riverside Farmers Market** - Saturday, February 15, from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm at Main Street between 5th and 6th in downtown Riverside

**Vail Ranch HQ Farmers Market** - Tuesday, February 18, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, 32115 Temecula Parkway (between Ross and Kohl's), Temecula



## **FEBRUARY GARDENING TIPS**

*for Sunset Zones 18-23*

Know Your Sunset Zone for Gardening Success

[FIND YOUR SUNSET ZONE HERE](#)

- **Maintenance**
- Above 2000 ft.: prune deciduous fruit trees, cane berries
- Below 200 ft.: prune grapes, roses, crepe myrtle.

- Paint trunks of bareroot and young fruit trees to prevent borers and protect from sunburn. Use interior white latex paint with equal amounts of water and apply generously.
- Control earwigs and sow bugs with bait or traps.
- Remove and discard old flowers from azaleas and camellias to reduce petal blight.
- Divide asters, lilies, perennial phlox, chrysanthemums.
- **Fertilize**
- Daphne after bloom.
- Asparagus and strawberries.
- Cane berries: split yearly recommended amount into three applications, just before new growth, mid-spring and mid-summer.
- Feed mature bloomers and fall-planted perennials with a slow-release fertilizer.
- **Spray**
- Apply pre-emergent for invasive Yellow Starthistle
- All fruit and nut trees: Diazinon and Volk Oil if not done in January and before bud swell.
- Apricot trees with a fungicide containing copper to prevent brown rot. Spray at bud swell, full bloom, and petal fall.
- Check the garden for fungus. Spray with sulfur or copper if needed.
- **Plant**
- **Trees, shrubs, perennials**

- Bare-root deciduous shrubs and trees are available now.
  - Roses, grapes, blackberries, raspberries, rhubarb, strawberries, asparagus, chives, onion sets, green onion plants.
  - Below 2000 ft.: shallots, lettuce, parsley, cabbage family.
  - **Cover Crops**
  - Cover crops like Fava beans can be planted if not planted earlier.
  - **Lawns**
  - If rains haven't come, irrigate lawn once or twice this month.
  - **Vegetables**
  - February is a good month to start planting in the ground, salad greens and lettuces, carrots, beets, parsnips, radishes, spinach, purple beans. You can start in containers early tomatoes, cucumbers, and summer squash.
  - **Flowers**
  - Lobelia, verbena, vinca rosea, catharanthus. Start begonia tubers.
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## **Advice to Grow By... Ask Us !**



The primary purpose of the UC Master Gardener program is to provide the public with research-based information about home horticulture and pest management that has been verified by UC experts. We do this through many volunteer activities, including our free MG Helpline. The Helpline enables anyone with a home gardening question or problem to contact a Master Gardener directly by phone or email. You can reach a Master Gardener at the Riverside Helpline by calling 951 683 6491, ext. 231, Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to noon. Email questions can be sent to the Riverside Helpline at [anrmgriverside@ucanr.edu](mailto:anrmgriverside@ucanr.edu) or to the Desert area Helpline at [anrmgindio@ucanr.edu](mailto:anrmgindio@ucanr.edu). Including pictures of your issue is helpful. A Master Gardener will respond to your email within a few days. We look forward to hearing from you!

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**To find out more about these and other upcoming UC Master Gardener of Riverside County events and projects, check out our**

**Facebook & Twitter pages by clicking on the links below. If you know of others that would like to receive this or future Events Eblasts, please feel free to forward it to them or provide their email address through this email link so we can add them to our mailing list:**

**[rivctyucmcp@gmail.com](mailto:rivctyucmcp@gmail.com)**



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