Would you like to be involved?

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A PIONEER PROGRAM





Practical guided experience in sustainable, organic gardening



Mission

Our mission is to encourage self-reliance, sustainable practices, regional food security, and ecological literacy by providing information, instruction, and practical experience in sustainable organic food gardening.

It is also our purpose to encourage sustainable farming, neighborhood gardening cooperatives and school gardening projects, as well as provide a venue for horticultural therapy and spiritual enrichment.

Cultivating a healthy, food-producing community

Open to Everyone through Shasta College Community Education



- Organic and Sustainable Methods
- Hands-on Experience
- Basic to Advanced Instruction
- Traditional to Innovative Techniques
- Reduction of Carbon Footprint
- Worksite Learning and Work-Trade Opportunities
- Horticulture Therapy and Spiritual Enrichment Programs

Planned 2010 Workshops

Basic Skills

Beginning a Garden Basics of Organic Methods Avoiding Common Mistakes Irrigation: How Much & How Often Composting & Sustainable Soil Fertility Requirements of Specific Edible Crops Fundamentals of Seed Saving Seed Selection and Sowing Timing: What to Plant and When Secrets of Transplanting Intensive and Companion Planting No-Till Gardening Season Extension Indigenous Cultivation Techniques Non-Toxic Insect Management Preventing and Managing Plant Disease Basic Permaculture Water Catchment & Management Cooking from the Garden Harvesting: Drying, Storage Care of Fruit Trees and Vines Gardening and Climate Change

Advanced Skills

Biodynamics - Four-Part Series Seed Crop Breeding - Two-Part Series Advanced Permaculture - Two-Part Series Gardening in Drought Conditions Gardening as a Spiritual Practice

Activities will begin on the garden site in **November 2009** with the sowing of a fall/winter crop.