



Cornell Cooperative Extension
Orange County

Home & Garden Workshops 2019

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How to make Kimchi

Saturday, January 19 11 AM – 12:30 PM

Kimchi is a flavorful, sour, salty mix of fermented vegetables and seasonings that plays an important role in Korean culture. Kimchi has many health promoting features including vitamins, minerals, and phytochemicals as well as probiotics. Come learn about Kimchi, fermentation, and how to make it. This class is a demonstration. Sample tastings will be provided. \$25

Pickling

Saturday, August 24 10 AM – 1 PM

Learn how to pickle cucumbers and other vegetables using a brine or vinegar with the hot water bath method. Participants will get to take samples home. \$25

Dehydrating Fruits, Vegetables and Herbs

Thursday, September 12 6 – 8 PM

Dehydration is a great way to preserve your favorite fresh fruits and vegetables whether from your local farm or your own garden. This class will demonstrate basic dehydration techniques and equipment needed for fruit, vegetables, and herbs. \$25

Backyard Maple Syrup

Saturday, February 2 (snow date: 2/9)
9:30 – 11 AM

Learn how to make real maple syrup as we touch briefly on the history of syrup production, discuss tree identification, learn about tree tapping and the collection and processing of sap into syrup.

\$10 (\$8 GOC Subscribers)

Shiitake Mushroom Cultivation

Saturday, March 2 (snow date: April 6)
9 – 11 AM

This class will introduce the methods for growing Shiitake mushrooms on a small scale at home.

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Pruning Shrubs

Tuesday, March 5 (snow date: 3/12)
9 AM – 12 PM

Pruning can be easy when you can identify how a plant grows, the purpose for pruning, and pruning techniques. Avoid torturing and misshaping your lovely shrubs!

\$10 (\$8 GOC Subscribers)

Shade Gardening

Tuesday, March 19 6:30 – 8:30 PM

One of the most commonly asked questions is: "What can I plant in the shade?" In this presentation, you will see the myriad of choices that are available.

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Starting a Vegetable Garden

Thursday, March 28 9 AM – 12 PM

Learn the best, tried and true methods for selecting the best varieties, planting, maintaining, harvesting and sustaining a productive vegetable garden.

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Composting

Thursday, April 11 10 AM – 12 PM

Learn the basics about home composting including what, where, and how to compost and compost bin design.

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Make a Native Pollinator Hotel

Saturday, May 11 9 AM – 12 PM

In this family-friendly workshop you will learn about our native pollinators, including non-stinging solitary bees, and how to attract them with native plantings. You will learn how to create winter habitat "hotels" for beneficial pollinators, bats and other critters and construct your own native bee house using natural materials. (Suitable for children 8 & above) \$10

Container Gardening

Wednesday, May 29 6:30 – 8:30 PM

In this presentation and demonstration, you will learn how to select and arrange plants to make a unique and stunning container display.

\$10 (\$8 GOC Subscribers)

Landscaping with Native Plants

Tuesday, September 17 10 AM – 12 PM

Using native plants in our home landscapes can be a very effective and attractive way to provide wildlife with needed food and shelter. This workshop will provide guidance in plant selection, placement and care, as well as some discussion of hardscape choices.

\$10 (\$8 GOC Subscribers)

Homemade Creams, Lotions and Balms

Saturday, April 6 9 AM - 1 PM

In this workshop you will learn how to make homemade products using natural materials. Must be 18 years or older. \$45

Decorative BirdhousesFriday, April 26
10 AM - 12 PM

Learn how to create a beautiful birdhouse using bark, moss and other natural materials to add a unique touch to your home décor. (For indoor use only)

\$25 (\$22.50 GOC subscribers)

Garden PhotographyThursdays, May 2 & 9
10 AM - 12 PM

This is a two-part class.

Have you always longed to capture the beauty of the flowers you grow, but your photos are just not satisfactory? Then this is the course for you! Bring your cell phone, iPad, DSLR, or your "point and shoot" camera and discover tricks of the experts for capturing flowers, landscapes and so much more. Session 1: classroom time will introduce basic techniques of photography, and then we'll go into the field to practice our new tips. Session 2 held in a local garden to photograph flowers and landscapes. Suitable for any level of interest. \$10

Salvage Art Workshop

Friday, May 17 1:30 - 3:30 PM

One person's trash can become another's work of art. Come create a unique piece of art using salvaged materials. \$20.

Making Homemade Soap

Saturday, May 18 9 AM - 1 PM

Homemade soap making entails special ingredients, precise measurements and timing, as well as simple safety measures. Learn the basic techniques for making soap in this informative workshop. Participants will make soap to take home.

Must be age 18 or older. \$45

Creative Leaf Casting

Tuesdays, June 11 & 18 10 AM - 12 PM

This is a two-part class

Leaf casting is a wonderful way to preserve the shapes and textures of leaves. In this workshop we will explore the basic

technique, and then each participant can choose to do a simple leaf casting (beginners) or a deeper casting using larger or multiple leaves. In the second session, we will unweave the leaves and allow time for painting or finishing. All materials are supplied, but participants are welcome to bring materials to personalize their creations. Dress for a mess!

\$35 (\$31.50 GOC Subscribers)

Working with WillowThursday, June 13
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

In this workshop you will learn a little about the history and uses of the many varieties of willow. You will then learn the technique of weaving willow and craft a plate to take home that can be used as a trivet or as a decorative item.

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**Make a Flower Press**

Saturday, June 15 9 AM - 12 PM

In this workshop, participants will construct their own wooden 9"x12" plant press, and begin the process of preserving their own personal flower collection, or to prepare pressed plants for craft projects. All materials will be provided. \$25 (\$22.50 GOC subscribers)

Fall Leaf CastingTuesdays, September 10 & 17
10 AM - 12 PM

In this workshop, we will work with big leaves! Canna, Elephant Ears, and cabbage all have wonderful texture and scale for leaf casting. All materials are supplied, but participants are welcome to bring their favorite fall leaves as well. Dress for a mess!

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Gifts from Nature

Tuesday, September 10 10 AM - 12 PM

Driftwood, shells, pine cones, grape vines, leaves, and flowers are just a few examples of "gifts" from nature that can be transformed into wreaths, note cards, wall hangings and more. In this "make and take" workshop, you will learn how items found

in nature can inspire your creativity. \$20

Terrariums

Saturday, September 14 10 AM - 12 PM

Learn how to create a beautiful terrarium to take home and enjoy. We will supply all the materials.

\$30 (\$27 for GOC subscribers)

Autumn Wreaths

Tuesday, September 24 10 AM - 12 PM

Create a beautiful autumn wreath using dried flowers, seeds and other natural materials. \$20

Fall TablescapesFriday, October 4
1:30 - 3:30 PM

Fall is a wonderful time to entertain. Learn to make beautiful and simple centerpieces, napkin rings, table coverings and more to decorate your home. Many ideas will be shared, and participants will make and take home some items of their own. \$20

**Milk Soaps**

Saturday, October 19 9 AM - 1 PM

Enjoy the skin-smoothing benefits of soaps containing milk. In this informative workshop, you will learn simple safety measures, and the basic techniques for making milk-based soap. Participants will make soap to take home. Must be age 18 or older. \$45



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Botanical Drawing

Saturday, November 9 10 AM – 1 PM

Illustrate a holly shrub branch with color pencils. Your completed drawing of dark green leaves and red berries will make a nice holiday gift or decoration for your home. Review drawing basics: form, tone, color; become familiar with drawing materials; observe our subject; and do a tonal drawing before finishing it with color. \$20



Make a Snowman

Saturdays, November 16 & 23

10 AM – 12 PM

This is a 2-part class.

Learn how to make a beautiful and cheerful snowman, and decorate it using all natural materials. Your unique creation will surely become a family heirloom!

\$30 (\$27 for GOC subscribers)

Creating Wreaths, Tabletop Trees & Kissing Balls

Friday, December 6

10 AM – 12 PM,
1 – 3 PM, & 6 – 8 PM

Create your choice of one of these lovely holiday decorations to make and take home to display.

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Making Homemade Bread

Saturday, February 23 (snow date: 3/2)
9 AM – 1 PM

Bread is one of our oldest staple foods prepared from a dough using flour and water. Learn how to bake homemade bread and take a loaf home! This is a hands on cooking class. \$25

Homemade Dog Treats

Saturday, May 4 9 AM – 12 PM

Your furry friends will appreciate you learning how to make treats just for them to enjoy. \$20.

Lunch Box Treats

Thursday, August 8 6 – 8 PM

Learn how easy it is to make

homemade and healthy lunch box snacks including fruit leathers, raisins and more! \$25

Homemade Applesauce

Fall 2019 Date and Time TBD

Join us to learn how easy it is to make your own fresh applesauce! We will also sample and discuss a variety of apples found in the Hudson Valley! Participants will get to take home samples of their creations. \$25

Making Homemade Soup

Saturday, November 16 9 AM – 1 PM

It's getting cold outside and what is better than warming up with a nice bowl of homemade soup for lunch or

dinner? Learn how easy it is to make soup and how to freeze it to save time in the future. Participants will take some soup home. \$25

Holiday Icebox Cookies

Saturday, December 14 9:30 – 11:30 AM

Holiday baking does not have to be stressful! Come learn how to make icebox cookies and take a batch home! \$25

Cooking with Garden Vegetables

Saturday, September 14 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Learn how to create unique dishes using fresh vegetable and herbs. There will be many tasty recipes to sample! \$25



2019-2020 Master Gardener Volunteer Training

Do you love gardening and enjoy volunteering? Then maybe you should become a Master Gardener Volunteer. We welcome adults of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds to the Master Gardener Volunteer program. Anyone who enjoys gardening, has a desire to share knowledge and skills, and who is willing to provide community service are encouraged to apply. The 2019-2020 training will be held on Thursdays from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm starting in September 2019 and running through March 2020.

Applications will be sent out on March 1st, 2019 and are due April 19th, 2019.

To learn more about becoming a Master Gardener Volunteer contact Susan Nollay at sgn32@cornell.edu or call her (845) 344-1234.

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