

Master Gardeners of Bergen County August 2020 – mid-month update

Webinars

Aug. 17, 6-8 pm: Wheaton Arts Virtual Eco Week sponsors Grow Natives (6 pm) and Exploring Your Watershed from Home (7 pm). Free. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Aug. 18, 7-8 pm: Bogota Public Library sponsors A Virtual Tour of Gardens Near and Far presented by MG Arnie Friedman, Class of 2004. Free. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Aug. 18, 7-8 pm: Jersey-Friendly Yards sponsors Plant This Not That: Deer Resistant Alternatives to Invasive Plants. Free. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Aug. 20, 1-2 pm: Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation sponsors Your Insect Allies: Meet the Beneficial Insects Controlling Pests in Your Garden. Free. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Aug. 26, noon-8 pm: Rutgers NJ Agricultural Experiment Station sponsors the Great Tomato Tasting at Home. Free. Activities include presentations, Q&A, and cooking demonstrations. Click [here](#) for the schedule and registration information as well as tomato resources.



Rutgers University photo

Aug. 27, 7-8 pm: Brick Township Municipal Utilities Authority sponsors Secrets of Low Maintenance Landscaping. Free. To register, contact Shari Kondrup at skondrup@brickmua.com.

Sept. 1, 7-8 pm: Jersey-Friendly Yards sponsors Attracting Birds to Your Jersey-Friendly Yard. Free. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Sign up for the 'Earth Day Every Day' fall webinar series

Rutgers Cooperative Extension will offer a once-weekly, fall webinar series Sept. 14-Nov 2. The free sessions include topics such as Winterizing Your Home, Fall Lawn Care, and Collecting Native Seeds.

Each one-hour session begins at 6:30 pm and is provided via WebEx. Click [here](#) for more information, the list of fall webinars, registration links, and a list of the webinars recorded during the spring series.

View these presentations at any time

Rutgers University presents Digital Photography for Plant ID and Problem Diagnosis. Click [here](#) for the introduction page. Then click on the link titled "Plant Photography Presentation Slides" to download a .pdf file of the slides.

Tour the [Delaware Botanic Gardens](#) with Lourdes Osorio, Passaic County MG, and Brian Trader, director of horticulture at the botanic gardens, as he explains the garden design, plants used, and the garden's environmental approach. The [tour](#) appears on Lourdes' Native Plant Channel on YouTube.

Message from Dr. Brian Schilling, director, of Rutgers Cooperative Extension

"We are not able to resume normal operations as of Aug. 15, nor would it be prudent to do so amid the ongoing uncertainties presented by COVID-19. Extension programs will continue to be offered in remote formats through the fall. Therefore, the directive dated April 3 remains in effect, that all in-person events, classes, programs, club meetings, camps, and other group activities organized by or under the auspices of Rutgers Cooperative Extension are suspended."

Share your finds

If you've discovered interesting gardening-type websites, webinars (free is preferable!), or related information that you'd like to share, please send to [Miriam Taub](#). Be sure to include the web address.