

Topic	Grow Green Landscape Professional Training	Speaker	Time
	Wednesday, July 30, 2014 9:00 to 4:00 Asian American Resource Center 8401 Cameron Rd, Austin, TX 78754		
Doors open	Sign in		8:30 – 9:00
Welcome		Denise Delaney	9:00 - 9:05
Vegetable Gardening, Wicking Beds, and Hugelkultur	<p>Learn how to set up a vegetable garden for a client and about new techniques using ollas and hugelkultur. This talk will also include an overview of how to install a water-wise wicking bed.</p> <p>Meredith Gray works for the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department as the coordinator of the Sustainable Urban Agriculture and Community Gardens program and Wildlife Austin program. She holds bachelor's degrees in biology and English from Rice University and master's degrees in public policy and urban planning from The University of Texas at Austin. She is certified as a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP) and wants to see more nature in public spaces. She believes that more landscape gardens should be edible! Meredith.Gray@austintexas.gov (512) 974-9450</p> <p>Christopher Ryan Sanchez is with the City of Austin as the Culture & Arts Education Specialist at Zilker botanical Garden. He received his Permaculture Design Certification through Austin Community College and One World Permaculture. He has worked with a handful of local permaculture based non-profit organizations as a leader in designs, presentations, meetings, and installations. Currently he is developing educational programs at Zilker Botanical Garden based around the Historic Swedish Cabins as well as the Faerie Woodland Trail (spring season) and is planning on visiting the University of Hawaii this fall to look further into their Ethnobotany program. Chris.Sanchez@austintexas.gov (512) 477-8672 x 13</p>	<p>Meredith Gray Community Gardens Coordinator</p> <p>Chris Sanchez Zilker Botanical Garden City of Austin Parks & Recreation</p>	9:05 10:15
BREAK			10:15 -10:30
Edible Landscaping	<p>Interested in incorporating fruit and nut trees and other edibles into your landscape? Urban foraging and urban agriculture are more popular than ever in Austin, so you should know which native trees and plants work best for edible landscapes.</p> <p>Zach Herigodt is the owner and operator of YardFarm, LLC, an Austin business specializing in edible & native landscape construction, including beautiful veggie gardens, homestead elements, ornamental steel, low impact hardscaping, rainwater collection, and irrigation systems. Zach is an avid photographer, cyclist, banjo picker, and raises chickens, fruit & veggie starts on his East Austin farm. zachary@yardfarmaustin.com (541) 968-6213</p>	<p>Zach Herigodt Owner YardFarm</p>	10:30 -11:35
BREAK			11:35 -11:40

<p>Designing Landscapes for Life</p>	<p>Help landscapes come alive with birds, butterflies and other wildlife by providing the elements of habitat they need to thrive. Learn how to attract a diversity of expected backyard critters, using native plants, water features, supplemental feeders, and nest boxes.</p> <p>Jane Tillman is the current president of the Native Plant Society of Texas Austin Chapter. She is an active member of the Travis Audubon Society, a Capital Area Master Naturalist and a National Wildlife Federation Habitat Steward Host. Jane was recognized by the four-million-member National Wildlife Federation as the 2011 Volunteer of the Year for her work in helping create backyard wildlife habitat here in Austin. She was active in the effort to certify Austin as an NWF Community Wildlife Habitat in 2009. Jane teaches beginning backyard birding classes, leads field trips and gives talks about on wildlife gardening and birds to groups all over Texas. jtillman@utexas.edu</p>	<p>Jane Tillman Capital Area Master Naturalists</p>	<p>11:40 -12:45</p>
<p>LUNCH</p>	<p>On Your Own</p>		<p>12:45 - 1:45</p>
<p>Green Alleys and Rain Gardens</p>	<p>Presentation will cover the details of the recently constructed Green Alley project and the dos and don'ts of rain garden design, construction, and landscaping.</p> <p>Thomas Franke is a Civil and Environmental Engineer with the City of Austin, Sustainable Stormwater Solutions Section. His expertise includes Stormwater Management, Solid Waste Management, Engineering Design Criteria Development, and Construction and Project Management. His work over the last 25 years includes the management of numerous active municipal solid waste landfills, of a materials recovery facility, review of subdivision and site plan land development applications for engineering compliance, and the development, design, review, and project management of regional water quality treatment facilities Tom.Franke@austintexas.gov (512) 974-1882</p>	<p>Tom Franke City of Austin Watershed Protection Department</p>	<p>1:45 - 2:45</p>
<p>BREAK / Optional Zen Garden Visit</p>	<p>Please join us on a visit to the Asian American Resource Center's Zen Garden area, designed by City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department landscape architect Patrick Beyer.</p>		<p>2:45 – 3:00</p>
<p>Personal Protective Equipment (1 TDA Ceu)</p>	<p>Personal protective equipment is essential for many landscape professionals. Learn about new requirements.</p> <p>Daphne received her BA in botany from The University of Texas at Austin and her MS in horticulture from Texas A&M. Before joining the Travis County team in 2009, she served as the CEA-Hort in El Pas County for nine years. Her primary responsibilities include leading educational programming in the areas of home horticulture and urban agriculture. She also serves as coordinator of the local Master Gardener program, training and managing over 200 very active Master Gardener volunteers. She may be seen each week on KLRU in the award-winning television program "Central Texas Gardener" and her gardening articles appear monthly in the Austin American Statesman. You can follow her Tweets and "like" her horticulture information on Facebook. DRichards@ag.tamu.edu (512) 854-9600</p>	<p>Daphne Richards Horticulturalist Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service</p>	<p>3:00 – 4:00</p>