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Check out our new Website: [www.smartgardening.org](http://www.smartgardening.org)  
Great work by Christina Kriedt!

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*Mark your calendar!*

**Please!** Reserve Saturday, September 9 for the Master's Tour of 2006! Five outstanding gardens in Carmel, Carmel Valley, Pacific Grove, and Monterey. Tell your friends - tickets are on sale at various localities.

To schedule Hotline email [martyel@Prodigy.com](mailto:martyel@Prodigy.com) or call 831 633-6435

## Additional Information

**Cooper Adobe Garden Workdays:** We will meet from 10:00-noon on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Contact Marcia Smullen if you are interested in this project. (831-626-3519) If there are other hours you can work, let her know as well.

**Seaside Green Team Project:** Every 3rd Saturday 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. contact Mary Wilson, 393-0193, bluespud@pacbell.net and ask to be placed on her e-mail reminder list.

Friday, September 8, 12 - 6 & Saturday, September 9, 10 - 2, **UCSC Fall Plant Sale.** The region's best-suited varieties of organically grown winter vegetables and landscape plants will be available. Proceeds support the Apprenticeship program. Friends' members receive 10% off all purchases. Barn Theater Parking Lot, corner of Bay and High Streets. Call 831-459-3240 for more information.

Thursday, September 28 at 7:00 pm: **The Fine Art of Vermicomposting.** Join Greg Fimby-Dukart as he describes his 20-year practice of worm farming. Greg's efforts result in superior soil as well as a constant supply of worm tea to benefit his organic garden. You may be surprised to learn that this beneficial activity, if done properly, is clean, easy and odor-free! Held at the Wild Bird Center in the Del Monte Center. We are located near Whole Foods Market. Reservations are required at (831) 373-1000.

Fall 2006 Horticulture Lecture Series, **Sustainable Landscaping** Thursday Evenings, 7 to 8:30 pm. Cabrillo College Environmental Horticulture Center, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos CA 95003 Room 5005 "Top of the Campus". Presented by The Horticulture Department at Cabrillo College. Join us for this five lecture series on Sustainable Landscaping. The objective of this program is to enlighten you, excite you, and help you transform your garden into a sustainable landscape you can be proud of. There will be time in some of the sessions for participants to break up into small groups and brainstorm about individual landscape issues. The goal is for you to complete the series with a design and maintenance plan for your site. The series of five lectures is \$40 when purchased as a group; or \$10 per lecture if attended individually. **September 28th: Sustainable Landscapes:** What they are, and how you can have one. Speaker: Owen E. Dell. Licensed Landscape Architect and owner of County Landscape and Design of Santa Barbara. **October 5th: Designing Sustainable Landscapes.** Speaker: Susan Wyche. Landscape Designer and owner of Green Perspectives. **October 19th: Hardscape Materials for Sustainable Designs.** Speaker: Ken Foster. Owner of Terra Nova Ecological Landscaping in Santa Cruz. **November 2nd: Planting Plans and Selecting Plants.** Speaker: Lisa McAndrews. Licensed Landscape Architect, co-owner of Madrone Landscape Group, and faculty member in the Cabrillo College Horticulture Department. **November 16th: Maintaining your Sustainable Landscape.** Speakers: Ken Foster of Terra Nova Ecological Landscaping, and Carol Kraft, owner of Natural Gardens in Redwood City.

Please Note: Parking is free only in the designated spaces at the Horticulture facility. Overflow parking on the lower campus is \$2 (eight quarters).

### Advanced Training

Saturday, September 16, 1-3 p.m., **Free Hands on Wormshop**, Junction Park, Boulder Creek (Intersection Railroad and Middleton). Learn how worms can eat your food scraps and make beautiful vermicompost for your garden. The County of Santa Cruz makes it easy for you to learn how and get started. Attend a Wormshop, where Master Composters will teach you everything you need to know and help you set up your own worm bin. If you wish, you may set up a worm bin to take home (\$20 materials fee for worms and bin or \$10 for worms only). Call Santa Cruz County's Worm Doctor, Karin Grobe to reserve materials, (831) 427-3452. Or go to [www.compostsantacruzcounty.org](http://www.compostsantacruzcounty.org) to sign up.

Send all calendar announcements to Paul McCollum at [pulpitpaul@razzolink.com](mailto:pulpitpaul@razzolink.com) or phone (831)726-1319 no later than the 22nd of each month.