

# University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources





Welcome to our UCCE Master Gardeners of

#### **San Bernardino County Monthly Newsletter**

#### Happy March 2022!

This month we invite you to join us for in person events or register for free online Zoom classes.

Learn how plants communicate in Janet's Jotting's blog.

Read in <u>Coordinator's Corner</u> about our UCCE Master Gardener Helpline.

Read about Upland's USD Farm to School Program in <u>Debbie's Diary</u>.

Get to know how Roxana Price and her journey with UC and the Master Gardener program in our Master Gardener Spotlight.

Learn about soil basics in <u>Gretchen's Integrated Pest Management blog</u>.

Learn how to stop the destruction of snails and slugs in What's Bugging Your Garden.



## Where To Find Us This Month Online & In-Person Events

Please take all Covid-19 precautions. If you feel ill and/or currently exhibit any symptoms, please stay home for safety of others.

You can also find a complete list and description of classes on our <u>Calendar</u> of events.

- March 9th; 5:30 PM 6:30 PM; March in your Garden(online)
- March 11th: 1:00 PM 2:00 PM; <u>Compostaje(en Español)</u> (en línea)
- March 12th; 9:00 AM 3:00 PM; From the Garden to the <u>Table (Yucaipa Library)</u>
- March 13th; 11:00 AM 1:00 PM; Ask a Master Gardener time- Plus three short presentations- open to all county

- climates (online)
- March 17th; 3:30 PM 4:30 PM; <u>Seed Saver Series:</u> <u>Planting your Summer Seed Garden (online)</u>
- March 19th; 8:30 AM 9:30 AM; Chino Community Garden: Planting a Spring Garden
- March 19th; 9:00 AM 10:30 AM; Rialto Community
  Garden: How to Prepare your Soil for Spring Gardening
- March 21st; 12:00 PM 1:00 PM; Composting Basics (online)
- March 24th; 3:30 PM 4:30 PM; Edible Gardens: Growing Great Lettuce(online)
- April 9th; 9:00 am to 3:00 PM; From the Garden to the Table (Chino Hills Library)
- April 14th; 5:30 PM 6:30 PM; April in your Garden(online)
- April 16th; 9:00 AM 10:30 AM; Rialto Community Garden: Flowers in the Garden (IPM)
- April 21st; 3:30 PM 4:30 PM; <u>Seed Saver Series:</u> <u>Wrapping up your Cool Season Veggie Garden and Harvesting it's Seeds(online)</u>



**Janet's Jottings** 

### By: Janet Hartin Area Environmental Horticulture Advisor

#### **How Do Plants "Communicate"?**

Ever wonder if plants "communicate" with each other? If so, you're not alone....

**Keep Reading** 



**Coordinator's Corner** 

By: Margaret O'Neill

Master Gardener Coordinator & Environmental Education

Supervisor

# Using Our University of CA Master Gardener Helpline: Your Everyday Resource

Have you found yourself in the garden looking at a plant and wondering what is going on with those leaves? You think your plant is getting enough, but not too much...



**Debbie's Diary** 

#### By: Deborah Schnur, MG Environmental Education Coordinator

#### **Upland USD Farm to School Program is Growing**

I was having so much fun that I started a second part-time position as the Farm to School Program Assistant for the Upland Unified School District (UUSD) at the end of January...

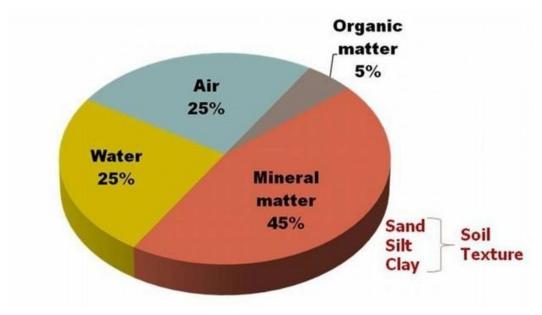


#### **Monthly Master Gardener Spotlight**

# By: Margaret J O'Neil Master Gardener Coordinator & Environmental Education Supervisor

#### Roxana Price, MG

My journey with UC began when I was hired by UCCE San Bernardino County in 2015 to provide outreach to communities and teach nutrition education workshops throughout the county at schools, libraries, community centers, and anywhere else there was community interest in learning evidence-based nutrition education resulting in healthy lifestyle changes....



**Integrated Pest Managment** 

### By: Gretchen Heimlich-Villalta UCCE Master Gardener and PhD student at UC Riverside

#### **Preventing Pest Problems: Starting with Soil**

This month, I'd like to continue building on the basics of integrated pest management. If you recall, there are five main components to a successful IPM program...



#### What's Bugging Your Garden?

The University of California <u>Integrated Pest Management (IPM)</u> program has a great website for controlling garden pest problems with the least impact on people and their surroundings. Whether it's fungal, insect or vertebrate pest, you can find some answers.

This month we are highlighting the pages on <u>Snails and Slugs</u>. Snails and slugs are among the most destructive pests found in gardens. Learn all you can to stop these destructive pests.



#### **UCCE MG Helpline**

We can help with your growing and pest control questions. **Email or phone us at the Master Gardener Helpline** 

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#### Who We Are

<u>UCCE Master Gardeners</u> are trained volunteers who provide unbiased research based information to the gardening public. Areas of expertise include drought-resistant sustainable landscapes and food production in home, community and school gardens. Master Gardeners reach over 35,000 San Bernardino County residents annually. Other UCCE programs in San Bernardino County are the <u>Master Food Preserver Program</u>, <u>Youth/4-H</u>, <u>Expanded Food and Nutrition Education (EFNEP)</u>, commercial horticulture, livestock and natural resources. Learn more about our programs here: <a href="http://cesanbernardino.ucanr.edu">http://cesanbernardino.ucanr.edu</a>







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