

DELIVERING HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS TO GARDENERS

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GARDENERS ARE:

- **Curious**
- **Adventurous**
- **Inherently crafty**
- **Nature lovers**
- **Not afraid to get dirty!**



WORKSHOP CONSIDERATIONS:

- Day/time of the week
- Season
- Venue
- Target audience
- Level of complexity
- Need for assistance
- Cost
- Marketing

Holiday Centerpiece Workshop

Saturday, December 8th

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

CCE Resource Center, Hamden, NY

\$10 per person



Make a festive country centerpiece with fresh local evergreens and an assortment of dried and artificial accents. We'll supply fresh-picked greenery, a chalk-painted Mason jar, ribbons, decorative accents, and all needed materials. Simply bring gloves, pruners, and your imagination!

Space is limited to 30 participants. To register call 607-865-6531 or email ceh27@cornell.edu

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WORKSHOP FORMATS:

- All lecture
- Lecture/demonstration
- Lecture with hands-on component
- Hands on with intro lecture
- All hands-on



PREPARATION:

1. **Come up with an idea**
2. **Make a prototype, get a good picture of the finished project**
3. **Advertise – flyers, social media**
4. **Register participants**
5. **Make your own instruction sheet**
6. **Purchase materials**
7. **Set-up materials**
8. **Make a sign in sheet, purchase snacks**

VERMICOMPOSTING DEMONSTRATION

- Can be worked into composting lecture or stand-alone demo
- Materials – plastic tote, shredded paper, food scraps, worms
- Equipment – drill



WINTER SOWING

- Perfect January workshop
- Materials – milk or takeout cartons, soil, duct tape, marker, seeds
- Short intro lecture helpful



HERBAL INFUSIONS

- Can be done any time of year, good to work lecture about growing herbs
- Materials – pint jars, cider vinegar, fresh herbs



CONCRETE LEAF CASTING

- Summer activity – need big, healthy leaves with prominent venation
- Materials – concrete patch, sand, boxes or paper plates, gloves, water



HYPERTUFA POT CASTING

- Good outdoor activity
- Materials – Portland cement, perlite, peat, containers, gloves, water, cooking spray, small



QUART JAR TERRARIUMS

- Popular with kids and grown-ups
- Materials – Quart jars, gravel, activated charcoal, plastic animals, moss, rocks



FLOWER FAIRIES

- Best done when blooms are abundant, great quick “make & take”
- Materials – Cardstock printed fairies, leaves, flowers, glue



WREATHS

- **Holiday favorite**
- **Materials – Lots of evergreens, wire form, wire, pliers, pruners, ribbon, pinecones, ornaments, etc.**



KISSING BALLS

- Very popular!
- Materials – Lots of evergreens, dry foam ball, wire, pliers, pruners, ribbon, pinecones, ornaments, etc.



CENTERPIECES

- Lots of options!
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