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# THE **CHORT** HUB

Official News Hub of the UTHort Team

### **New Publications Released!**

The UTHort Team has released several new gardening pubs this year! We are very excited to showcase the following:

<u>Care for Herbs in Tennessee</u> <u>Selecting Culinary Herbs for Tennessee</u> <u>Tennessee Home Garden Variety Trials-2023 Results</u>

To view all our gardening publications, please visit our website!



Did you know? Fall is the PERFECT time to plant Cole Crops! <u>Check out this resource!</u>



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UTHort Office Hours returned in June! We had a blast answering gardening questions from all of you across the state! The 2024 gardening season is upon us, so feel free to ask your questions via our UThort Helpline!

Need a reminder to join us live? Register now to receive friendly updates! All times are 10:00 a.m. EST / 9:00 a.m. CST



You can also watch previous Office Hours via the "Watch Now" button!



### UTHORT HELPINE

Do you have a question you want/need to ask the UTHort Team? Use the following form to submit your question(s) to be reviewed and answered by an Extension expert! Then simply join us via our Live Q&A to hear your question answered in real time! More details above!

#### <u>Ask your</u> <u>questions here</u>



### **GARLIC FEST!**

Educational workshops on garlic production for commercial producers across the state is coming to a town near you! The Tennessee Garlic Fest workshops include presentations on production and economic considerations and feature a panel discussion of producers of the specialty crop.

Interest in garlic production is on the rise, given the versatile nature of the crop. Garlic can be grown in urban settings, on a smaller footprint, or easily integrated into diversified vegetable farm operations.

Lunch will NOT be provided, but food trucks will be available onsite. Workshops are from 9 a.m.–2 p.m. local time:

August 23-Ron Ramsey Regional Agricultural Center @ 140 Spurgeon Lane, Blountville, TN 37167

September 24-AgriCenter International Campus, Hospitality Suite @ 105 S. Germantown Pkwy, Cordova, Tennessee 38018

Register to attend any of the three workshops online at <u>tiny.utk.edu/garlicfest</u>.



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### Welcome Home

Our team is excited to host this informative series FY24! This year, we focus on all things lawn and landscape! Learn all about incorporating sustainable practices in your landscape, as well as learning more about the vast selection of annuals, perennials, shrubs, and trees to plant in your Tennessee landscape for the most success!

<u>Contact your local Extension Agent</u> <u>for more details!</u>

<u>Schedule is as follows:</u> October 1-Soil & Climate October 8-Flowering Plants October 15-Shrubs & Trees October 22-Lawns

All classes at 5:30 CST/6:30 EST



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#### Master Gardener State Conference

Tennessee Extension Master Gardener volunteers join together in Nashville October 9-11, 2024 for the semi-annual state conference! Participants have the opportunity to tour Master Gardener locales in both Williamson and Davidson Counties, along with the naming of 2024 Search for Excellence winners. Breakout sessions include options for turf, edible landscaping, urban agriculture, and supporting pollinators. Workshops on tree-pruning, mushroom inoculation, microgreens, fermenting, and hydroponics will also be offered! There's definitely something for everyone (must be a certified Master Gardener or intern to attend).

For more information (and to register): TN Extension Master Gardener Website



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Tues	day, August 27	<sup>th</sup> , 2024 Reg	istration begin	s at 8 a.m. CDT;	Event 9 – 3	CDT
	9:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00
Classroom A	Soil Amendments and Utilizing Compost	Herbs and How to Use Them	Proper Pruning Fundamentals	Soil Amendments and Utilizing Compost	Herbs and How to Use Them	Proper Pruning Fundamentals
	Lee Rumble	Karen Caspary	Justin Stefanski	Lee Rumble	Karen Caspary	Justin Stefanski
Tent B	Lawn Alternatives for Biodiversity and Pollinator Health	Native Plants for the Water's Edge	Organic Gardening	Lawn Alternatives for Biodiversity and Pollinator Health	Native Plants for the Water's Edge	Organic Gardening
	Michael Ross	Dr. Andrea Ludwig	Dr. Annette Wszelaki	Michael Ross	Dr. Andrea Ludwig	Dr. Annette Wszelaki
Tent C	Pollinator Gardening	Learning the Basics of Permaculture	Savvy Seed Saving	Pollinator Gardening	Learning the Basics of Permaculture	Savvy Seed Saving
	Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda	Amy Dunlap	Celeste Scott	Dr. Jennifer Tsuruda	Amy Dunlap	Celeste Scott
Tent D	Tree Planting and Care	How to Grow & Maintain a Healthy Lawn	The Basics of Growing Fruit Trees	Tree Planting and Care	How to Grow & Maintain a Healthy Lawn	The Basics of Growing Fruit Trees
	Dr. Andy Pulte	Dr. Becky Bowling	Bob Ary	Dr. Andy Pulte	Dr. Becky Bowling	Bob Ary
Tent E	Big Taste in Small Spaces	Cool Season Vegetable Gardening	Battling Weeds in the Vegetable Garden	Big Taste in Small Spaces	Cool Season Vegetable Gardening	Battling Weeds in the Vegetable Garden
	Dr. Natalie Bumgarner	Lucas Holman	Mitchell Mote	Dr. Natalie Bumgarner	Lucas Holman	Mitchell Mote
Tent F	Wagon Tours (All day on the 1/2 hour)		Pesticide Recertification Points TBD			

#### 2024 Fall Gardeners' Festival

Programs in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences, and resource development. University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments cooperating. UT Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.