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# **Cornell Cooperative Extension Columbia and Greene Counties**

# **May Events**

#### Ask a Master Gardener: Spring Gardening Q&A

Thursday, May 1 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Agroforestry Resource Center - 6055 Route 23, Acra Free but donations are appreciated

Pre-registration is required

Registration deadline: Wednesday, April 31

**Presenter**: The Master Gardener Volunteers of CCE Columbia

Greene

Bring your gardening questions to our Spring Gardening Q&A! Join a panel

of 3–5 Master Gardener Volunteers for an open forum where you can bring your gardening questions and get expert advice.

#### Small Berry, Elderberry, and Blueberry 101

Tuesday, May 6

5 - 7 p.m.

Agroforestry Resource Center/Siuslaw Model Forest - 6055 Route 23. Acra

\$20.00 per person Registration Fee

Pre-registration is required

Registration deadline: Monday, May 5

**Presenter:** Heather Kase, Berry Specialist, CCE Eastern New York Commercial Horticulture & CCE educator Tracey Testo-Smith

Join us for a workshop focused on Elderberry and Blueberry. Learn how to propagate Elderberry. Attendees will get to experience hands-on planting. This workshop will take place outside so please dress appropriately.

# Spring Emergence - Living with American Black Bears

Saturday, May 10 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

4-H Camp Shankitunk - 2420 Arbor Hill Rd, Delhi Sliding Scale, Pay what you can - \$10, \$15, \$20 per person Pre-registration is required

Registration deadline: Friday, May 9

Presenter: NYSDEC Wildlife Staff & CCE educator, Shane Stevens

Spring emergence of curious bears can lead to more sightings. Learn about bears & tips to coexist responsibly & avoid unwanted encounters.

#### Wild, Edible Plants

Wednesday, May 14 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Extension Education Center - 479 Route 66, Hudson \$15.00 per person Registration Fee

Pre-registration is required

Registration deadline: Tuesday, May 13

Presenter: CCE educators: Tracey Testo, Lindsey Strehlau-

Howay, & Katie Campbell-Nelson

Come explore the grounds at the Extension Education Center to learn about foraging in the woodlands and fields around you.

## Master Gardener Plant and Seedling Sale Fundraiser

Saturday, May 17 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Agroforestry Resource Center 6055 Route 23, Acra & Extension Education Center - 479 Route 66, Hudson concurrently

Free to attend, cost of plants variable

Registration is not required but sign up for reminders and updates at ccecolumbiagreene.org/events!

**Presenter:** Master Gardener Volunteers of Columbia and Greene Counties

Shop locally grown plants and seedlings at the Master Gardener Plant & Seedling Sale—rain or shine! Find veggies, herbs, flowers & more!

The sale is rain or shine. Payments can be made by cash, check, or PayPal ONLY.

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# Current Perspectives on Integrated Pest Management

Sunday, May 18 10 - 11 a.m.

Ancram Town Hall - 1416 County Rd 7, Ancram

Pre-registration is required

**Registration deadline:** Friday, May 16 **Presenter:** Frieda Pearce, Master Gardener Volunteer & Ancram Resilient Gardens & Farms

Learn to ID pests vs. beneficials, monitor plant health, scout insects, and use eco-friendly pest

management for a thriving garden.

## Invasive Species Woodland Walk at Lennox Model Forest

Tuesday, May 20 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Lennox Model Forest – 2420 Arbor Hill Road, Delhi Sliding Scale, Pay what you can - \$10, \$15, \$20 per person *Pre-registration is required* 

**Registration deadline:** Monday, May 19 **Presenter:** CCE educator, Will McCall

Join us at the Lennox Model Forest in Delhi, NY for a woods walk and learn about the impacts of invasive species, identification tips, and management advice for a variety of invasive species.

### **Minimizing Deer Impacts on Forests**

## Wednesday, May 28

5 - 7 p.m.

Clearpool Model Forest - 33 Clearpool Road, Carmel Sliding Scale, Pay what you can - \$10, \$15, \$20 per person

Pre-registration is required

Registration deadline: Tuesday, May 27

Presenter: CCE educators: Shane Stevens & Will

McCall

Join us at the Clearpool Model Forest to learn about deer management practices used to regenerate and maintain healthy productive forests.

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### **Outdoor Mushroom Farming Series**

Agroforestry Resource Center/ Siuslaw Model Forest 6055 Route 23, Acra

\$25 per person per class / \$60 per person for all 3 classes *Pre-registration is required* 

**Presenter:** CCE educators: Tracey Testo-Smith & Ashley Schoenborn

Are you interested in exploring how to grow your own mushrooms to start a small-scale mushroom operation? Learn with this three-part course!

This workshop is a 3-part series. You may attend parts but attend all three to develop the skill to successfully farm mushrooms on your land.

#### • Part 1 - Thursday, May 22, 5 -7 p.m.

Outdoor Mushroom Farming Series: Log Inoculation, The Basics **Registration deadline:** Wednesday, May 21

• Part 2 - Thursday, June 26, 5 -7 p.m.

Outdoor Mushroom Farming Series: Laying Yard Management, Harvesting, and Gardening

Registration deadline: Wednesday, June 25

• Part 3 - Thursday, July 17, 5 - 7 p.m.

Outdoor Mushroom Farming Series: Enterprise planning and marketing

Registration deadline: Wednesday, July 17

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