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Irvine Ranch
WATER DISTRICT

Save the Date

OC Master Gardeners Composting Workshops

Wednesday, May 24 or
Wednesday, June 21
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.

South Coast Research and Extension Center
7601 Irvine Blvd., Irvine

Learn about traditional composting and vermicomposting (using worms). Event will be held outside in the composting demonstration area. Enter drawings for a chance to win a kitchen counter composter, compost turner, and a large outdoor composting bin!

June 2017 RightScape® Workshop

Irvine Ranch Water District
Multi Purpose Room
15600 Sand Canyon Ave.
Irvine

Turf Be Gone Thursday, June 15 6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Learn the steps to remove your lawn and replace it with a drought-friendly garden.

Sign-ups required:
rightscapenow.com/events

Because Water is Too Valuable to Use Only Once

50 YEARS OF RECYCLED WATER

In 1967, Irvine Ranch Water District began using recycled water to supplement and expand its existing water supply portfolio. Over the last 50 years, IRWD's recycled water infrastructure evolved from a small operation focused on supplying agriculture customers to one of the most comprehensive and technologically advanced recycled water systems in the nation.

Today, nearly 30 percent of the District's water demands are met through recycled water. Some of the many uses of recycled water in the IRWD service area include:

- Parks
- School playing fields
- Dual-plumbed buildings
- Golf courses
- Manufacturing processes
- Cooling towers
- HOA common areas and front yards



By making a long-term investment in this valuable and drought-proof source of water, IRWD avoids having to purchase costly, less reliable imported water. In doing so, local water supply reliability is improved, benefiting all of IRWD's customers.

Your Community Connection

Did you know that IRWD has an online calendar that posts our RightScape® workshops and local events for community, non-profit and non-religious groups? If your group has an event you'd like to post, please email details to info@irwd.com with "Community Calendar" in the subject line. Events posted are subject to IRWD guidelines and available calendar space. To view our calendar please visit irwd.com/community/community-calendar.



UCCE Workshop Series

Garden Design: From Concept to Finish

South Coast Research and Extension Center, 7601 Irvine Boulevard, Irvine

This three-part University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Workshop Series is free and open to the public. Each class builds on the preceding one to provide a deeper understanding of garden design.

Garden Design Basics

Saturday, June 3

9 a.m. – 11 a.m.



Efficient Irrigation

Saturday, June 10

9 a.m. – 11 a.m.



Putting It All Together

Saturday, June 24

9 a.m. – 11 a.m.



The workshop series is limited to 24 participants per class. Participants **must** attend all three workshops. **Sign-ups required:** rightscapenow.com/events



Q: Juan, are rebates for turf removal available for homeowners? Can you recommend a turf-removal contractor?

A: I'm glad you asked. Yes, IRWD's Turnkey Turf Removal Program currently answers both of your questions. It offers residential customers the benefit of a full service landscape contractor to take the stress out of having to research, design and build a drought tolerant landscape project.

First, customers meet with the program's landscape design consultant to discuss their vision and goals for the turf removal project. Once a design is finalized, a dedicated project team will be assembled to remove existing grass, install new drought friendly plants, and convert the existing irrigation system to drip irrigation.

Program participants are responsible for obtaining any required design approvals from their home owners associations. For program details, rebate amounts, terms and conditions and to apply online, visit rightscapenow.com/turf-removal/turn-key-turf.

Fix a Leak Contest Winners



\$500 Winner

Stephen Beever, Lake Forest



\$100 Winner

Robert Chan, Irvine



\$100 Winner

Ashley Sarmiento supervises son spreading mulch, Irvine



\$100 Winner

Soo Hyun Choi, Irvine

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