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# MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

Ingham County  
2010 Master  
Composting Class  
April 27, 2010  
Thru

Mail to:  
MSU Extension  
Attn: Composting  
P O Box 319

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2010 Master  
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Class  
April 27, 2010  
Thru  
May 25, 2010  
6:30-8:30 p.m.



*Held at the Fenner  
Nature Center*

*Co-sponsored by:  
City of Lansing  
and Ingham  
County MSUE*

*Bringing Knowledge  
to Life!*

**Call 517-676-7207 to  
register**

## *Instructors:*

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Steve Chalker: City of Lansing Recycling Coordinator, 483-7633

Gary Heilig: Ingham County MSU Extension Horticulture Educator, 676-7207

Classes will be held at the Fenner Nature Center off Mt. Hope.

### **Objectives:**

- **Inform participants of the solid waste issues that affect their community.**
- **Train residents how to properly construct and maintain a backyard compost pile.**
- **Transfer composting knowledge to others as part of certification process.**

### **April 27 Why Compost?**

**Introductions: Class overview of solid waste policies; why composting is important; understanding the process of biological decomposition.**

### **May 4 Composting Methods**

**Discussion of materials for composting: containers, methods, and start class experiments. Student will need to bring materials such as straw, sawdust, grass clippings, shredded paper, leaves, etc.**

### **May 11 Problems**

**Experiment observations, pile problems, managing lawns to minimize clippings, using compost and other organic materials in the yard and garden, nutrient analysis of compost.**

### **May 18 Field Trip to Granger Municipal Composting Facility**

### **May 25 Vermicomposting (Worm Composting) and Potluck**

## **YES! I WANT TO BECOME A MASTER COMPOSTER**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

No. of People \_\_\_\_\_ X \$20

Total amount \_\_\_\_\_

**COST: \$20.00**

**Make checks payable to Ingham County MSUE**

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