



Seed Saving for Gardeners and Urban Farmers

**Saturday, September 15, 2012
10am -- 1pm**

Are you a gardener or small farmer who wants to free yourself from the costs and dependency of buying seed? Come learn about seeds and varieties adapted to the greater Bay Area. We will identify the highest success crops for the small scale grower and then guide you through the process of saving their seed.

This workshop will cover basic and advanced seed concepts including basic taxonomy and botany, choosing the right variety or crop, ideal population sizes, preventing cross-pollination, selecting for improved varieties, seed maturation, seed harvest, and seed cleaning. The workshop will also cover hand-pollination and other specific techniques for saving seed from more difficult crops. Open to all levels, although some seed saving experience is recommended.

About the Teacher: Anders Vidstrand works as a gardener, lab tech, nursery manager, and part time instructor for the Landscape Horticulture Department at Merritt College in Oakland. He is an organic gardener, a rare fruit grower and an active member of Seed Savers Exchange.

Cost: \$5 - \$15 sliding scale, no one turned away for lack of funds.

Pre-registration ensures a spot in the class: register@ecologycenter.org,
<http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/266218>

Location: EcoHouse, 1305 Hopkins St., (enter via garden entrance on Peralta), Berkeley.
Wheelchair Accessible

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