Honolulu Board of Water Supply Media Advisory



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GARDENING WITH BENEFICIAL MICRO-ORGANISMS

Workshop at Halawa Xeriscape Garden

- WHAT: A hands-on workshop offered by the Board of Water Supply (BWS), the Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden (FOHXG), and Jan Nadamoto and Lee Ann Yuen will teach you how to make your own Beneficial Micro-organisms. Gardening with beneficial micro-organisms promotes the growth of healthy plants which may require less watering and maintenance.
- WHEN: Saturday, January 9, 2016 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- WHERE: Halawa Xeriscape Garden 99-1268 Iwaena Street Halawa Valley's Central Industrial Area
- **DETAILS:** Come join us and instructors Jan Nadamoto and Lee Ann Yuen to learn about micro-organisms and how they can: help to create healthy leaves, improve your plants nutritional intake, minimize fungus mold and insects and encourage development of a strong root system. At this workshop, participants will be taught how to use these microbes, how they play a part in Bokashi composting and the variety of ways the mix and by-products can be used.

You will also be taught how to make some of this "liquid gold" made with indigenous micro-organisms. You'll be taking home your very own concoction to use on your own plants and you'll be the envy of your neighbors and friends when they see how you manage such beautiful and healthy plants effortlessly!

- COST: \$5.00 for non-members, free for members of the FOHXG (depending on level of membership)
- **REGISTER:** <u>Advanced registration is required.</u> Registration begins on Tuesday, December 22, 2015, and closes at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 8, 2016 or when all spaces are filled. Call 748-5320 or email workshops@hbws.org to register. For more information about xeriscaping or classes at the Halawa Xeriscape Garden, visit www.boardofwatersupply.com. BWS security requires full name and address of all participants.