

Honolulu Board of Water Supply

Media Advisory



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HOW TO MAKE AND USE BOKASHI COMPOST

Halawa Xeriscape Garden Workshop

- WHAT:** A hands-on workshop offered by the Board of Water Supply (BWS), Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden (FOHXG), Jan Nadamoto and Lee Ann Yuen will teach you how to make your own Bokashi mix and produce compost in a manageable space without smell, bugs, or heat.
- WHEN:** Saturday, October 1, 2016
10:30 a.m. to noon
- WHERE:** Halawa Xeriscape Garden
99-1268 Iwaena Street
Halawa Valley's Central Industrial Area
- DETAILS:** Has the spread of the coconut rhinoceros beetle hampered your composting efforts? Have no fear, Bokashi is here! Come join us and instructors Jan Nadamoto and Lee Ann Yuen to learn how to compost with microbacteria. Bokashi is a quick and easy way to turn food waste into compost through the use of a mix of local microbes. An advantage to Bokashi is that it's a great way to create compost without strong odors or bugs. An alternative to traditional composting, the Bokashi method was discovered more than 30 years ago by Japanese microbiologist and organic farmer Dr. Teruo Higa. At this workshop, participants will be taught how Bokashi composting works and the variety of ways the mix and by-products can be used.
- COST:** \$15.00 for non-members, which includes instruction, guidance and one gallon sized bag of Bokashi mix that will be ready to use approximately two weeks after the class. \$10.00 for FOHXG members (supporting level or higher).
- REGISTER:** **Advanced registration is required.** Registration begins on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, and closes at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, September 30, 2016 or when all spaces are filled. Call 748-5315 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.

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