

Honolulu Board of Water Supply

Media Advisory



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RAIN BARREL WATER CATCHMENT WORKSHOP OFFERED AT THE HALAWA XERISCAPE GARDEN

Learn how catchment systems conserve our precious drinking water.

- WHAT:** The Honolulu Board of Water Supply, in partnership with the Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden, is once again offering its popular Rain Barrel Water Catchment workshop at the Halawa Xeriscape Garden.
- WHEN:** Saturday, February 13, 2010
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- WHERE:** Halawa Xeriscape Garden
99-1268 Iwaena Street
Halawa Valley's Central Park Industrial Area
- COST:** The cost of this activity is \$35. This cost includes an informational lecture and one (1) fully constructed 55-gallon rain barrel to take home. You may attend the lecture only for a \$5 fee – rain barrels are available only to those who attend the lecture. Only one barrel per household and participants must arrive in a vehicle large enough to transport the barrel home – no delivery or storage services are available. Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden members will receive a discounted rate – please call Diane Moses at 748-5363 for membership information!
- REGISTER:** Space is very limited, so **advanced registration is required**. Registration for non-Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden members opens on Tuesday January 26th and closes at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday February 11 or when class is filled. Members may sign up at any time. Call Diane Moses at 748-5363 or email tours@hbws.org to register.
- DETAILS:** The Board of Water Supply is once again offering its ever-popular Rain Barrel Water Catchment workshop in an effort to educate Oahu residents about this alternative method for conserving water outdoors. These barrels allow residents to use captured rainwater to irrigate their gardens, thereby reducing the amount of potable drinking water used for non-potable activities.
- Instructors Amy Tsuneyoshi and Cat Sawai will discuss important rain barrel construction points, installation, proper maintenance and provide tips on how to easily integrate rain barrels into your gardening lifestyle. More information on rain barrels, water conservation, and workshops at the Halawa Xeriscape Garden is available by calling 748-5041 or by visiting www.boardofwatersupply.com.

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