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Media Advisory



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LEARN ABOUT COMPOSTING THE BOKASHI WAY

Bokashi Composting Workshop at Halawa Xeriscape Garden

- WHAT:** A hands-on workshop offered by the Board of Water Supply (BWS) and the Friends of Halawa Xeriscape Garden (FOHXG) will teach you how to make your own Bokashi mix and produce compost in a manageable space without smell, turning, bugs, or heat.
- WHEN:** Saturday, March 8, 2014
10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** Halawa Xeriscape Garden
99-1268 Iwaena Street
Halawa Valley's Central Industrial Area
- DETAILS:** Learn how to make nutrients more available to plants with Bokashi--a composting method that uses a unique mix of natural microbes known as Effective Microorganisms to cover food waste and decrease smell. An alternative to traditional composting, the Bokashi method was discovered more than 30 years ago by Japanese microbiologist and organic farmer Dr. Teruo Higa and is currently enjoying a rebirth. At this workshop participants will be taught how Bokashi composting works and the different ways the mix and by-products can be used.
- COST:** Workshop fee is \$10.00, which includes instruction and guidance, and one pound of Bokashi mix which will be ready to use approximately two weeks after the class. Cost for FOHXG members is \$5.00.
- REGISTER:** **Advanced Registration is required.** Registration begins on Tuesday, February 18, 2014, and closes at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 7, 2014, or when all spaces are filled. Call 748-5363 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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