

1st Annual

HomeGrown ~ Culver City

An Edible Garden & Food Gathering

Saturday, September 25th 9am to 5pm

Media Park - Culver City, 9070 Venice Blvd, Culver City, CA 90232

Homegrown Gathering is a gathering that celebrates the three aspects of backyard edible gardening:

- Growing & harvesting
- Preserving & preparation
- The joy of eating

Designed by and for people that want to get to know their food sources, the gathering will bring together the various aspects of the homegrown foods of Los Angeles, from earth and seed to kitchen and plate. HomeGrown gathering will unite people and organizations that are dedicated to teaching, fostering and passing on the homegrown arts in an effort to strengthen the local community of like-minded urban farmers. In addition the gathering will offer exposure and access to those interested in getting involved in the local-homegrown movement by presenting free hands-on workshops dedicated to the various disciplines of backyard farming.

The gathering will bring together a host of edible garden designers and specialists in the fields of composting, vermiculture, master gardeners, permaculture, bee keeping, backyard chickens and urban animal husbandry for a series of educational sessions and exhibits. The gathering will also include several independent specialty vendors serving delicious foods made with natural and local ingredients.

Organic soil and fertilizer companies, edible plant growers and seed companies will be present to offer attendees a chance to try their newfound skills and interests at home. Other participants will celebrate locally grown ingredients – purchase farm-fresh produce from local growers and enjoy tasty dishes from Los Angeles chefs.

The HomeGrown ~ Culver City gathering is a *free* community experience but attendees are encouraged to bring canned food donations that will be given to the local homeless shelters. *Free* workshops and demonstrations will be scheduled throughout the day. Live entertainment will include local musicians and fun for the kids including a performance by a local children's theater.

Growing locally is the future.