

## Mushroom Cultivation – led by Mike Davis

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9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

18 participants

\$125



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Do mushrooms grow in the dark? Are they really grown on horse manure? What is their nutritional value? Find out in this one-day workshop on edible mushroom cultivation, located at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area headquarters. The workshop introduces methods of growing mushrooms, including basic mushroom substrate preparation, composting, spawn generation techniques, inoculation methods, harvesting, and pests and pest management. The history of mushroom production and recent trends in the diversification of edible mushrooms will be discussed. Participants will assemble two kits of edible mushrooms that will provide fresh mushrooms for the table.

Mike Davis is a retired Professor and Cooperative Extension Specialist in the Department of Plant Pathology at UC Davis, where he taught plant pathology classes as well as courses on mushroom identification, cultivation, and phylogeny. Most of his research focused on environmentally sound applications of disease management measures of fungal diseases of field crops and vegetables, including mushrooms. He has written popular articles and technical papers on mushrooms, including descriptions of several new species. He is lead author of *Field Guide to Mushrooms of Western North America* published in 2012.

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