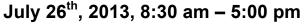
# Transitioning to Organics WILLAMET

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An Organic Land Care Workshop

## Transitioning to Organics



Oregon Tilth Accredited Organic Land Care, a program dedicated to training and accrediting sustainable landscape practices, is pleased to announce:



**Transitioning to Organics:** A Workshop for landscape professionals focusing on Willamette University's five-year plus organic landscape management. Workshop topics include soil biology and chemistry, plant selection, water conservation, compost tea and organic weed management. This class will involve both classroom instruction and field study.



## Transitioning to Organics

Friday, July 26th, 2013 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Willamette University \$80 registration fee

Please visit tilth.org to register.

#### **Location:**

Willamette University 900 State Street Salem, OR 97301

Directions to
Willamette University:
http://www.
willamette.edu/about/
visit/index html

Participants in the training will receive a copy of the Oregon Tilth Organic Land Care Policies and Standards. Lunch included. Continued education hours are available.

For more Information, please contact
Oregon Tilth 503.378.0690
tilth.org

### **Jim Andersen: Transitioning to Organics**

Prior to 2006, Willamette University relied extensively on herbicides and insecticides to maintain the grounds. When Jim Andersen became the campus grounds manager in 2007, he eliminated the entire chemical arsenal. With a team of committed partners and coworkers, Jim worked to improve the soil organically, restore the native habitat and create ecological functions in the campus landscape.

### Mickey Cochrane: Willamette University Field Study

Mickey is a groundskeeper at Willamette University in Salem. He is also an Oregon Tilth Accredited Organic Land Care practitioner. Willamette University has been managing its landscapes organically for almost five years now. In this presentation, we will hear about successful organic management on the campus.

#### Jim Toler: Soil Health Maintenance

Jim founded Willamette Organics in 2003 to serve the farming and landscape industries and has been instrumental in helping Oregon Tilth develop the Accredited Organic Land Care program. He has attended the Northeast Organic Farming Association's organic land care training and wrote the initial draft for the Oregon Tilth Organic Land Care Policies and Standards. He will be presenting material related to soil health, including soil testing and soil biology.

### **Dean Wentworth: Plant Selection for the Organic Landscape**

Dean is the Botanical Garden and Greenhouse Curator at Willamette University. He has been with the university since October 1999. He graduated from Oregon State University with a degree in Horticulture, with an emphasis in soils and plant pathology. Dean's contributions to the campus include more wildlife habitat, an increase in water-conserving plants and a four-season, attractive perennial landscape.

## **Shepard Smith: Compost Tea Demonstration**

Shepard (Shep), founder and president of Soilsmith Services, has extensive experience in soil biology as a farmer, organic farm inspector, and professional consultant to farmers, nurserymen, and growers of many types of plants in various soil and climate conditions.

## **Oregon Tilth Presents**

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## Registration Form

Space is limited - Register ASAP

Full Name:		
Business Name (if any):		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Email Address:	Phone No:	
1 day Training:		
Event Registration # Seats Requested \$80 if registering multiple people please provide each attendees name below, along with business name		
		Subtotal:
Lunch is included with the cost of workshop registration. Please indicate any special meal preference: Vegetarian, Gluten-free or Vegan		
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