

# Landscaping for Wildlife and Sustainability

A course offered by Tucson Audubon Society in February 2010



What ecological issues can we address through landscaping? How can we support declining bird populations in Tucson? How do we go beyond just using native plants to provide habitat for birds?

The course will meet two Saturday mornings and two Wednesday nights starting February 6. Saturday classes are from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday night classes are from 7 to 9 p.m. The class is taught by Greg Corman of Gardening Insights and Paul Green and Kendall Kroesen of Tucson Audubon, and other great guest speakers.

The course fee is \$250. Please register by contacting Jean Barchman at 622-5622 or [jbarchman@tucsonaudubon.org](mailto:jbarchman@tucsonaudubon.org). For questions about the course, contact Kendall Kroesen at 971-2385 or [kkroesen@tucsonaudubon.org](mailto:kkroesen@tucsonaudubon.org).

## Course topics include:

- Problems of current Tucson landscapes
- Local bird diversity and what birds need
- Principles of sustainable design
- The role of insects/arthropods
- Rainwater harvesting and other hardscape issues
- Native plant diversity, structure and density for wildlife
- Native plant availability at nurseries
- Irrigation for plant establishment
- Desert garden aesthetics
- Tucson Audubon's landscape recognition program



## Participants in January's class said:

*This course was excellent. Went into enough depth to allow me to translate concepts into design.*

*Speakers who were passionate about their subject—infectious!*

*I work better knowing what you showed me.*