

**GROW BIOINTENSIVE<sup>SM</sup>**  
**SUSTAINABLE MINI-FARMING**  
**ONE -DAY WORKSHOP**  
**September 25, 2010 Olympia, Washington**

**INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

**We are pleased to learn of your interest** in John Jeavons' independently-given 1-Day Workshop in GROW BIOINTENSIVE® Sustainable Mini-Farming. This course offers an excellent opportunity to acquire a wealth of information on the most efficient gardening method we know. The information has been gathered from over thirty years of research. GROW BIOINTENSIVE is currently in use in over 140 countries around the world.

**The 1-Day Workshop is an in-depth study** of GROW BIOINTENSIVE Mini-Farming appropriate to a more self-reliant lifestyle, and for work in developing countries. The program will consist of lecture, discussion and demonstration, and will include a full range of information on Sustainability and Efficient Resource Use, Crops and Diet, Fertilization, Compost and Compost Crops, Soil Preparation and Seed Propagation as well as the perspective to tie all of these aspects of the method together. The workshop content covers introductory, intermediate and some advanced material. About one-quarter of this workshop is in lecture and classroom work. A portion of the afternoon will be devoted to demonstrations; a few participants may be able to try their hand at double-digging, pricking out and/or transplanting. Transportation should be scheduled so that participants can remain through 5:30 p.m. on Friday.

**In order to ensure** that everyone leaves the workshop with the fullest range and depth of information possible, we must assume that all participants have read the publications listed under Required Reading in this brochure. You may purchase the ones you do not have, or you can purchase a full set from Bountiful Gardens.

Online at: <http://www.bountifulgardens.org>

**ECOLOGY ACTION** is a non-profit organization, working to rediscover the techniques and scientific principles involved in the resource-conserving, life-giving GROW BIOINTENSIVE method. These millennia-old practices are an important element in the solution to the problems of the planet. The first seven years of Ecology Action's research focused on the techniques and economic aspects of food raising, while the second seven years were devoted mainly to 'breaking the code' for a sustainable diet. Our current research focuses on growing one's food and income on a closed-system basis, with soil fertility maintained sustainably from within the garden. It is currently Ecology Action's thirty-seventh year of doing GROW BIOINTENSIVE work. Our classes and workshops encourage gardeners from many corners of the globe to find solutions appropriate to their own context. Our goal is to find a way to live lightly on the planet so that the planet's resources can be enjoyed by all.

**WORKSHOP LOCATION:**

**Olympia, Washington Location TBD**

**(maps and directions will be available on the 1-Day Workshop section of [www.johnjeavons.info](http://www.johnjeavons.info))**

# PRESENTER

## **JOHN C. JEAVONS, President and Executive Director, Ecology Action of the Mid-peninsula**

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### Professional Experience

- Ecology Action of the Midpeninsula, President and Executive Director of this non-profit education and research organization with centers in Willits and Palo Alto, California, 1971-Present
- Development and implementation of the Willits GROW BIOINTENSIVE Sustainable Mini-Farming Center for Research, Education and Development, 1982-Present
- Director of Ecology Action Publications, authored, co-authored, and edited numerous books, articles, pamphlets and research papers on sustainable agriculture, 1972-Present
- Development of the Ecology Action Research Mini-Farm at Syntex in Palo Alto, California, 1971-1980
- Stanford University Libraries System Business Services Chief, 1969-1970
- Kaiser Aerospace & Electronics Corporation Project Engineering Administration, 1967-1968
- Agency for International Development Special Staff Coordinator, 1966-1967

### Education

Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science with additional focus in Geography

### Long-term Research Goal

Raising food using 12%-33% the water, 1%-6% the energy and 50% to no purchased nutrient in organic fertilizer form per pound of food produced in comparison with United States commercial agriculture, while maintaining sustainable soil fertility.

### Professional Memberships

- Member, Academia Mexicana de Investigacionen Demografia Media, A.C.
- Member, Board of Directors, Alan Chadwick Society

- Advisory Board Member of the American Wine and Food Institute
- Advisory Board Member of the Smith & Hawken Tool Company
- Advisory Board Member of the Mother Earth News Farm Magazine
- Advisory Board Member of Volunteers in International Service and Awareness (VIISA)
- Advisory Board Member of Fresh Start Farms Awards
- Boise Peace Quilt Award, 1988
- Santa Fe Living Treasure Award, 1989
- The Giraffe Award, 1989
- Steward of Sustainable Agriculture, 2000

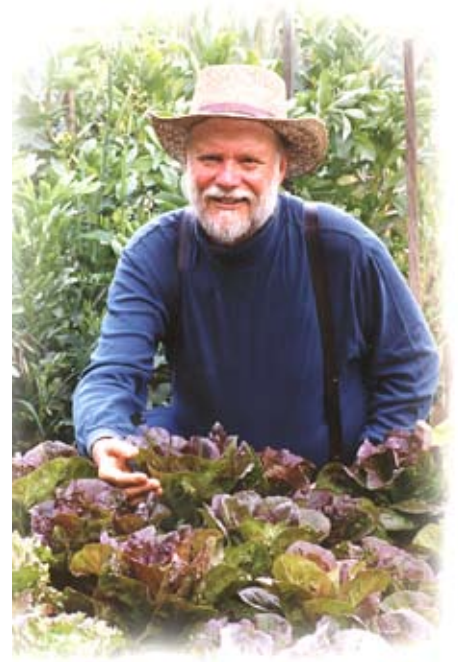
### Nominations

- Noetic Sciences Altruism Award, 1992
- World Food Prize, 1993 and 1995
- Pew Scholars Program in Conservation and the Environment, 1995

### Conferences and Regional Workshops Presented by Ecology Action/John Jeavons

**Soil, Food and People  
Conference: A Biointensive  
Model for the New Century**  
March 27-29, 2000, at the University  
of California-Davis—235  
participants from 16 countries  
and 24 states.

**6-day Biointensive Latin  
American Workshop**  
2006 in Costa Rica in conjunction  
with the International Institute  
for Cooperation in Agriculture  
(IICA)—130 participants  
from 19 countries.



*John Jeavons at the Ecology Action  
Research Center in northern California.*

### Publications: Author, Co-author and/or Editor

- 1972 Preliminary Research Report, Ecology Action, 1973.
- 1972-75 Research Report Summary, Ecology Action, 1976.
- Appropriate Agriculture, Intermediate Technology, 1977.
- Cucumber Bonanza, Ecology Action, 1979. (English and Spanish)
- One Crop Test Booklet: Soybeans, Ecology Action, 1980.
- A Perspective, Ecology Action, 1981.
- Grow Your Own Compost Materials At Home, Ecology Action, 1981. (English and Spanish)
- Comment Faire Pousser Plus De Legumes Que Vous Ne L'auriez Cru Possible Sur Moins De Terrain Que Vous Ne Puisse L'imaginer, Ecology Action, 1982 (second edition).
- Examining the Tropics: A Small Scale Approach to Sustainable Agriculture, Ecology Action, 1982. (English and Spanish)
- The Backyard Homestead, Mini-Farm and Garden Log Book, Ten-Speed Press, 1983.







