



HENDERSON COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS ASSOCIATION (HCMGA)

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Learn to Make Jam

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Carolyn Tyler, Henderson County Extension Agent for Family and Community Health, will present “Preserving the Harvest” on Thursday, June 27, 6:00 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, 3344 Hwy 31E, Athens. This presentation is a part of Henderson County Master Gardener Association’s “Summer Series”, a series of speakers invited to share their expertise with the community.

This presentation is free and open to the public; however, reservations will need to be made by emailing CarolynTyler@ag.tamu.org or calling 903-675-6130. Tyler will give a hands-on demonstration covering food preparation, freezing jam, and will offer tips on canning. Each participant that has a reserved space will go home with their own jar of jam. Spaces will need to be reserved in order to have adequate supplies for audience participation.

Making jams out of summer fruit is a satisfying activity. You may wish to hoard the sweet flavors of summer to savor all winter. Or you may want to make enough to give away as presents. Tyler will go over the differences between pressure canning and water baths. She will also explain exactly what to add to your fruit to help preserve it, and what to leave out.

If you have always been a bit hesitant to use a home canner, would like to preserve the fresh flavors of summer fruit, learn a new activity to share with your children, or are curious about homemade jams, this is the presentation to attend. It will be both an educational and fun event.

For more information, call 903-675-6130, email hendersonCMGA@gmail.com, or visit txmq.org/hendersonmq.