

John Root, Naturalist

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Education and Training

Certified Organic Landscape Professional, Northeast Organic Farming Association (2017)

Apprentice Nurseryman, Tripple Brook Farm, Southampton, MA (2012-Present)

Graduate Study in Botany, University of Maryland and UNC at Chapel Hill (1979-1981)

Science Teacher Certification, Columbia Union College, Takoma Park, MD (1974)

Bachelor of Arts in Biology, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH (1972)

Teaching Experience

Presenter of nature and gardening programs at libraries, senior centers, schools, garden clubs, and other venues throughout New England (2005-Present)

Owner and Operator of "Our House Daycare" for preschool-aged children featuring nature and the arts, Amherst, MA (1987-1994)

Leader of "Arts and Adventure" church youth group, Amherst, MA (1985-1986)

Science Teacher, Booker T. Washington Junior High School, Baltimore, MD (1975-1976)

Activities and Civic Involvements

Chairman of Recycling and Refuse Management Committee, Amherst, MA (2015-2018)

Member of "Journey Home," offering bedside sings for hospice and bedridden patients and their families in western Massachusetts (2014-Present)