

JOHN ROOT

Naturalist | Landscaper | Educator
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Education

- Certified Organic Landscaping Professional, Northeast Organic Farming Association (2017)
- Graduate Study in Botany, University of Maryland and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1977-1979)
- Secondary School 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 interpretation programs throughout New England at libraries, nature centers, and other venues (2006-Present)
- Leader of edible wild plants walks at organic farms and other venues throughout Massachusetts (2005-Present)
- Owner and Operator of "Our House" for preschool-aged children featuring creative arts and nature exploration (1988-1994)
- Leader of "Arts and Adventure" church youth group, Amherst, MA (1990-1991)
- Science Teacher, Booker T. Washington JHS, Baltimore, MD (1975-1976)

Activities and Civic Involvements

- Organizer and Activist with Western Mass Pollinator Networks promoting the establishment of pollinator habitat on public and private land
- Member of "Journey Home," offering bedside sings to hospice patients and their families in the Pioneer Valley of Western Massachusetts (2014-Present)
- Member and Chair of Recycling and Refuse Management Committee, Amherst, MA (2008-2018)

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