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Last Call for Compost

By Kathy LaLiberte

In my dreams, I'm one of those composting wizards who always have a mountain of their own homemade compost, just waiting to be spread. The truth is, I'm the toss-it-and-forget-it type. This means I'm always waiting — often for a year or more — for a couple bushels of usable compost.

But recently I decided to try speeding things up. After such a challenging gardening season, my garden needs all the help it can get — ASAP!

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In late summer, there's always an abundance of compost material. This year I'm trying to speed things up so I'll have finished compost by spring.

8 Weeks of Spring Bulbs

If you'd like to celebrate spring with a vivid display of flowers, now's the time to get busy. Invest two hours planting bulbs on a beautiful fall afternoon, and you can enjoy a succession of blooms next spring that starts in late March and extends right into May. [Continue](#) ...



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Now that it's late summer, most flower gardens are looking a bit ragged. There's a big bare spot where the Oriental poppies used to be. The globe thistle and Autumn Joy sedum that you didn't get around to dividing last spring have splayed out in all directions. Creeping Charlie is taking over the lavender.

If you're finding it difficult to love your late-summer garden, here's how to rekindle that feeling. [Continue](#) ...

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Mark Barry, from our Distribution Center, is using his employee garden plot to produce vegetables for the local food shelf.

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