



SEED BOMB WORKSHOP

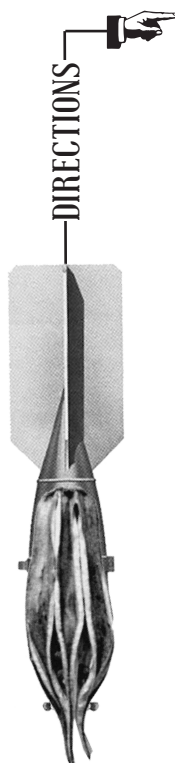
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“Seed Bomb” workshops arm community members with the knowledge and materials needed to help identify and transform local empty lots and overlooked patches of soil. The “bombs,” collections of pulp and seeds, are thrown over fences in order to get to hard-to-reach places. For this form of guerrilla gardening, Seeds InService carefully selects native seed varieties that provide food and habitats for local and migrating animals and help to beautify blighted urban areas. Additionally, heavily polluted soils are detoxified through the growth of plants called hyperaccumulators, such as sunflower. Sunflowers absorb lead from the soil, eventually making the soil safe for human interaction.

Seed Sources: Seed Savers Exchange, Shooting Star Native Seed, Prairie Moon Nursery

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RIP

Rip paper into 1” pieces.

BLEND

Add a couple handfuls of paper to blender 1/2 full of water. Blend until pulpy.

DRAIN

Strain most of the water from the pulp, until it forms and keeps a ball shape easily.

MIX

Mix seeds with damp pulp and form into 1-1.5” balls.

DRY

Dry on cooling racks near an open window.

THROW

Throw the dry seed bombs wherever needed. Best sown in spring or late fall.

GROW & SHOW

Watch the seeds grow and send us pictures!

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