

APRIL-JUNE CLASSES PORTLAND NURSERY ON DIVISION 9000 SE Division St. 97266

Register in-store by calling 503.788.9000 or register online.
Tea and coffee provided. Classes free unless otherwise stated.

Saturday, April 3 11 am Vegetable Garden Layout

Learn how to design a beautiful and productive vegetable garden. Jen Aron will share planting and design ideas for aesthetic edible gardens and teach us how to maximize garden space by utilizing succession, crop rotation, and timing techniques. To learn more about Jen, visit www.peacefulgardensportland.com

Saturday, April 3 1 pm Introduction to Hardscaping Learn how to properly install beautiful paths and patios to create lasting and unique spaces in your garden. This class will cover the complete process including site prep, excavation, laying the proper base, selecting material, and installation. Through video demonstration, lecture, and hands-on participation you will learn how to install crushed gravel paths/patios, pavers (all kinds), and natural stone (sand-set and mortared). This class will not cover walls, but I am happy to answer any questions you may have. Hands-on demonstration will take place outside (rain or shine).

Participants will need: eye protection, hearing protection, gloves, knee pads (if desired), and sturdy shoes.

For more information about David and to see other landscape installations visit www.structurelandscapesNW.com or contact him at david@structurelandscapesNW.com

Sunday, April 4 1 pm Ecoroofs!

Join us for an informational talk on ecoroofs in Portland. Presentation includes a slideshow of local examples and an explanation of the tools and resources available to property owners interested in having an ecoroof of their own. Matt Burlin is the Outreach Coordinator for the City of Portland's Bureau of Environmental Service's (BES) Sustainable Stormwater Program.

Saturday, April 10 10 am Mushroom Growing

Oregon Mycological Society members, Ed and Tony, will visit us with information on growing mushrooms at home. Mushroom blocks/bags and plug spawns will be available for sale day of class. Pre-order or purchase day of class, by contacting Tony at thefungi@comcast.net or 360-576-8520.

Plug spawn available for Oyster, Shiitake, Hericium erinaceus, and Reishi.

Bag of @ 100 plugs for \$10.00

Some blocks available of Oyster, Hericium erinaceus, and hopefully Shiitake.

Ready to grow blocks, \$20.00 each.

Saturday, April 11 11 am Organic Solutions for Vegetable Garden Speaker: Jenny Adams

Learn practices for preventing and dealing with problems that arise in the Vegetable Garden. Tips on organically controlling common pests on your favorite vegetable plants along with some basics on proper care will be covered.

Saturday, April 17 11 am Intro to Small Fruits Speaker: Bradley Weeks

Come learn about small fruit selection, care and maintenance. Brad will cover the basics of small fruits in 15-20 minute segments. Sit in for just one or all of the topics!

11am-Blueberries 11:30-Brambles (Raspberries & Blackberries)

12-Strawberries 12:30-Grapes 1-Kiwis.

Sunday, April 18 1-5pm Naturescaping with: East Mult. Soil & Water Conservation District

This workshop introduces the concept of naturescaping. We also explore time and maintenance savings, reduction/elimination of water and chemical use, increasing and improving wildlife habitat, watershed stewardship, basic site or project planning and many other great gardening tips.

Workshop participants get to view before and after naturescaping examples, take a field trip to a nearby project, get advice on landscape design and native gardening, network with neighbors, and identify native plants. Every participant receives a comprehensive workbook and a native plant to help them get started.

Even if you discover that you will need the help of a landscaper or designer with your project, you'll have the framework to make decisions and communicate your desires to your contractor.

Register with EMSWCD: <http://emswcd.org/workshops-events>

Saturday, April 24 10-4 Build Your Own Willow Furniture

If you love the look of willow furniture, why not make your own?

Brian Phillips, aka 'The Twig man', will take you through a step-by-step process allowing your creative juices to flow into a work that is unique to you! Choose to build your own rustic garden bench, chair, table, fern stand or trellis. All materials supplied, bring hammer, sack lunch, and knee pads.

\$125 material fee / item. Paid day of class. Class partners can share fee and build one piece between them. Tell us which of the six possible items you'd like to build when registering. View choices at cash register or online at www.willowstation.com under the 'classes' link.

Sunday, April 25 1 pm Rainwater Harvesting Speaker: Brad Crowley

Brad Crowley, from Harvest the Sky, will demonstrate how to make your own rainbarrel and share information about larger rainwater systems.

Saturday, May 1 11 am Make Your Own Hanging Basket with Heidi Brinnich

Make a One of a Kind Hanging Basket for sun or shade with Heidi Brinnich. Class includes hanging basket, soil, time released fertilizer, huge inventory of plant material to choose from. Instruction and plant selection focusing on color, texture, fragrance, vigor and maintenance so you'll enjoy summer long beauty from your creation. \$25 material fee.

Sunday, May 2 1 pm Lawn Alternatives Speaker: JJ Sweeney, Salamander Designs NW

Lawns are relatively high maintenance, taking lots of water, weeding, mowing, and fertilizer which often end up in the rivers. This class will look at alternatives to a traditional lawn, from lower maintenance planting beds, to hardscaping, to groundcovers that can fill the same aesthetic and functional needs. To learn more about JJ, visit www.salamanderdesignsnw.com or contact her at JJ@salamanderdesignsnw.com or 503-234-6156.

Saturday, May 8 11 am Composting Basics Speaker: Glen Andreson

Learn about the different ways to compost your kitchen and garden scraps, how material breaks down into compost, and how to keep the process moving so you can have great compost in your own yard.

Saturday, May 8 1 pm Living Walls Speaker: Sally Isaiou

Sally Isaiou of T&L Nursery will demonstrate how to create a living wall panel. She will build one using succulents and other plant material, demonstrating tools and techniques that you can take home to build your own work of living art.

Saturday, May 15 11 am Vermiculture Speaker: Katie Gwynn

Learn about how to compost with worms. Katie will talk about how to use a worm bins to turn your kitchen scraps into beautiful compost.

Sunday, May 16 11 am Repotting Orchids for Beginners Speaker: Lori Rheinberger

Learn the basics of repotting several different common orchid varieties, from a member of the Oregon Orchid Society. Information such as proper growing medium, fertilizer and growing habits will be covered. Bring your own orchid for assistance in repotting, and/or for diagnosing possible problems. Come early to select a new pot from our stock to purchase for repotting, or bring your own. Fee for repotting supplies ranges from \$.50 - \$10, based on pot size.

Saturday, May 22 11 am Unique Edibles with Alice from Log House Plants

Come learn about all the unique edibles you can grow for a cornucopia of delicious fresh produce. Alice will talk about crops such as sweet potatoes, unusual squashes, tomatoes, peppers, ginger and Believe it or Not Vegetables.

Sunday, June 6 1 pm Fruit Preserves Speaker: Cara Haskey

Learn a variety of methods and recipes for preserving the beautiful Oregon berries and fruit that begin arriving in your

backyard and the local farmers' markets in late spring. Through demonstration and interactive lecture class participants will learn all the basics you need to know for successful canning at home as well as effective techniques for freezing and drying. We'll cover it all—from berry jam to fruit leather to apple pie filling—and each participant will have the opportunity to sample fresh, low-sugar berry jam made during the class.

For more information about Cara and the art and science of home food preservation visit www.modernpreserves.com or contact Cara at cara@modernpreserves.com.

Saturday, June 12 11 am Japanese Maple Pruning Speaker: Holly Beare

We've all seen those weeping maples with awful haircuts, or red Japanese maples with clumps of green leaves here and there. This class will provide information for homeowners on how to prune and shape their Japanese maples, improving their appearance and health. Some basic information on use and care of pruning tools will also be provided. If you have purchased a Japanese maple before the class, or want to bring in your own from home to work on, please bring your own hand pruners, small pruning saw, and gloves. We will provide disinfectant for pruners.

Holly Beare is a design and pruning consultant. Phone 503.860.4095 or email garden.helper@ymail.com

Saturday, June 12 1 pm Water-wise Gardening Speaker: Paul Bonine, [Xera Plants](#)

A tutorial and talk on low water gardening practices. How to landscape to save water during our dry summer months and create a low water garden without sacrificing good looks. A special emphasis will be on lower maintenance gardens and year round interest.

Saturday, June 19 1 pm Edible Flowers with Vern Nelson, The Hungry Gardener

From daylilies to violets, roses and chrysanthemums, come discover the world of edible flowers with Vern Nelson! Vern will discuss some surprising candidates, their culture and landscape needs, as well as their numerous culinary uses.

Sunday, June 20 2 pm Begonia Society Meeting

Saturday, June 26 11 am Dependable Perennials Speaker: Jim, [Blooming Nursery](#)

Learn how to make your garden thrive through all four seasons. Jim will share some tough garden favorites to add reliable color and texture to your garden.

Sunday, June 27 11 am Medicinal Herbs in the Garden Speaker: JJ Purcell, [Herb Shoppe](#)

Come learn about the many herbs that are already growing in your back yard and easy medicinals to grow. We will also discuss how to make beautiful medicine from these amazing plants!