



GROWING GARDENS

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE 2009

Workshops are open to anyone -- No prior experience necessary!

Pre-registration is required: Please call 503-284-8420 or email emily@growing-gardens.org to register.

Cost: For the general public we ask for a sliding scale donation of \$5-\$20. Free for gardeners enrolled in our programs.

Location: Given after sign-up. The general location is indicated (N=North, NE=Northeast, SE=Southeast, SJ=Saint Johns)

—WINTER/SPRING—

SHOP FOR & PREPARE HEALTHY FOODS ON A BUDGET AT PEOPLE'S COOP

Wednesday, January 21st, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

GROW YOUR OWN VEGETABLE STARTS

Wednesday, February 25th, 6:00-7:30pm (SE)

Learn why, when and how to affordably start your own vegetable plants indoors from seed at this hands-on demo.

GARDENING BASICS

Thursday, March 12th, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

Thursday, April 23rd, 6:00-8:00pm (N/SJ)

Saturday, May 16th, 2:00-4:00pm (NE)

Learn to plan, implement and care for a healthy, affordable, and sustainable veggie garden.

HEALTHY SOIL FOR HEALTHY PLANTS

Wednesday, May 20th, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

Soil is the foundation of a healthy garden. Learn how to build up the health and fertility of your garden beds to keep your plants happy and productive.

CONTAINER GARDENING

Tuesday, May 26th, 6:00-8:00pm (Outer SE)

Get inspired to grow your own food in containers and locations of all kinds during this hands-on demonstration with local expert Marc Bouchet Colbert.

SMART WATER USE IN THE GARDEN

Wednesday, June 3rd, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

See a low water use garden in action and learn the basics of conserving water (and money) in your urban landscape through irrigation systems, rainwater catchment and more.

INTRODUCTION TO PERMACULTURE

Tuesday, June, 9th, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

Visit an 8 year old urban farm to learn the basics of permaculture, including how to incorporate perennials & trees into your garden.

COMPOSTING & WORM BINS

Wednesday, June 10th, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

Visit an incredible Metro compost demonstration site to learn the many ways of turning your home kitchen scraps and yard debris into rich food for your garden!

—SUMMER—

SLUGS & BUGS; NATURALLY MANAGING YOUR GARDEN PESTS

Tuesday, June 16th, 6:00-8:00pm (NE)

Learn safe, effective & long-term solutions for controlling pests at Glen Andreson's productive Portland home garden.

YEAR-ROUND VEGETABLE GARDENING

Tuesday, July 7th, 6:00-8:00pm (NE)

Wednesday, July 15th, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

Come learn what, when & how to plant for winter harvests.

COOKING WITH SUMMER VEGETABLES

Saturday, August 15th: 2:00-4:30pm (N/NE)

Prepare fresh, delicious & nutritious garden veggie dishes during this hands-on workshop with a local chef.

FOOD PRESERVATION

Pickling: Thursday, August 13th: 6:00-8:30 (N/NE)

Tomatoes: Tuesday, Sept. 15th: 6:00-8:30 (N/NE)

Learn about the many ways that you can preserve your summer vegetables and fruits for winter eating.

SEED SAVING

August, Date TBA. 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

Learn to save seeds from the garden during this hands-on workshop. Collect & swap seeds to take home with you!

~URBAN CHICKEN KEEPING~

INTRO TO URBAN CHICKEN KEEPING

Tuesday, March 17th, 6:00-8:00pm (SE)

CHICKEN COOP BUILDING & DESIGN

Saturday, March 28th, 10:00am-2:00pm (SE)

Learn what is necessary to build your hens a happy home, then enjoy a short walking tour of neighborhood coops.

ADVANCED URBAN CHICKEN KEEPING

Monday, July 13th, 6:00-8:00pm (NE)

Designed for chicken owners with some experience; troubleshoot problems with your hens' health and home at an established North Portland coop.

6TH ANNUAL TOUR DE COOPS!

Saturday, July 25th 11:00am-3:00pm

See website for event details.



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 Space is limited, so please pre-register.

We'll give you the exact address and directions when you sign up.

WORK-LEARN PARTIES

Free and open to everyone. Learn while helping us work in our NE Portland backyard demonstration garden.

PARENT-CHILD WORKSHOPS

Designed to spark gardening interest in children aged 6 - 12 these provide fun ways for parents and children to grow gardens together.

FRUIT TREE & BERRY PRUNING

Saturday, February 21st, 10:00am-12:00pm

Learn the basics of winter fruit tree care and practice pruning techniques on a variety of trees and bushes.

PLANTING TECHNIQUES & METHODS

Thursday, May 28th, 6:00-7:30pm

Direct seed and transplant veggies into our garden and learn to conserve space with trellising and bio-intensive & square-foot gardening methods.

EDIBLE CONTAINER GARDENING

Saturday, May 30th, 10:00am-12:00pm

The hands-on how-to of planting vegetables in containers; From balconies to bathtubs, you can garden anywhere!

SUMMER FRUIT TREE PRUNING

Saturday, June 13th, 10:00am-11:30pm

PLANTING FOR WINTER HARVESTS

Saturday, July 18th, 10:00am-12:00pm

Learn how and what to plant now for continuous harvests into the cool season.

COMPOST WITH WORMS

Saturday, September 12th, 10:00am-12:00pm

Help us harvest our worm bins and bring all your vermicomposting questions! All levels welcome.

WINTERIZING THE GARDEN

Saturday, October 10th, 10:00am-12:00pm

Get the garden ready for winter. We'll do some clean-up, sheet mulching, cover cropping and build a cloche (mini greenhouse) to keep the winter crops warm & cozy.

PLANTING THE SEEDS FOR YOUR GARDEN

Thursday, April 16th, 5:30-7pm NE

Monday, April 27th, 5:30-7:00pm NE

Parents and children will learn the basics of how to start seeds, care for them, and when to transplant them to have a summer full of fresh vegetables.

PLANNING A DINNER GARDEN; PIZZA, SALSA, SALAD, & TACO GARDENS!

Monday, May 4th, 5:30-7:00 pm SE

Saturday, May 16th, 10:00 am-12:00pm NE

Parents and children will get fun ideas and supplies to grow their own food, in gardens specially designed for making pizza, salsa, salad, or tacos!

WONDROUS WORMS!

Time and Location TBA

Parents and children will learn about red wiggler worms; the worms famous for transforming food scraps into fertilizer for plants and gardens. Participants will learn what makes these worms so special through fun hands-on activities, stories and more.

BUGS & INSECTS

Wednesday, August 5th, 5:30-7:00pm SE

Meet common bugs & insects in the garden. Go on a bug hunt and learn how to create a healthy balance of helpful critters in your garden!

MUNCH AND CRUNCH

Time and Location TBA

Learn how to harvest, store, and care for vegetables as well as how to enjoy them while tasting fresh veggies from the garden. We'll also talk about easy recipes and how to encourage kids to eat fresh vegetables.

FIND OUT MORE

Growing Gardens is committed to fighting the root causes of hunger in our community & expanding access to delicious, healthy, affordable food in our neighborhoods & schools. To learn more about our programs, volunteer opportunities, or to donate please visit our website or contact us!

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