



Cascade Gardener - 2019 Class Catalog

Cascade Water Alliance is offering free gardening classes to help you have beautiful, healthy landscapes while using water efficiently. Cascade's members are the cities of Bellevue, Issaquah, Kirkland, Redmond, and Tukwila; Sammamish Plateau Water, and Skyway Water and Sewer District.

Please use the links provided with each class to register through Brown Paper Tickets, or visit the Cascade Gardener webpage at <https://cascadewater.org/water-efficiency/cascade-gardener/> for the links. For questions or assistance, call 425.453.0930.

Contain Yourself – Smart Ideas for Gardening in Pots

Marianne Binetti, radio host, author, columnist

Don't make the most common container gardening mistakes. Do learn how to grow crops in pots, shrubs in tubs and roses in recycled containers. In this class you will learn the most sustainable ways to fertilize, water, and design plants in containers, especially plants that do not demand a lot of water.

- Saturday, March 2, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Squak Mountain Nursery, 7600 Renton-Issaquah Road SE, Issaquah
containyourself.brownpapertickets.com
- Saturday, March 23, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Gray Barn Nursery, 20871 NE Redmond-Fall City Road, Redmond
containergardening.brownpapertickets.com
- Saturday, April 6, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Bellevue Nursery, 842 104th Ave SE, Bellevue
containers.brownpapertickets.com

Creating Sanctuary in the Garden

Jessi Bloom, author, owner and lead designer of N.W. Bloom EcoLogical Landscapes

Join Jessi Bloom for this class on creating a garden space that is in harmony with nature and provides sanctuary to you and whomever might visit the space, including beneficial insects and wildlife. Jessi will cover ecological design basics, choosing plants that work well for your space and plant based practices to help your mind, body and spirit!

- Thursday, April 4, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Issaquah City Hall, 130 E. Sunset Way, Issaquah
creatingsanctuary.brownpapertickets.com

Designing the Northwest Garden

Greg Rabourn, educator, radio personality, author

Thoughtful garden design creates a healthy, relaxing space for people, pets, and wildlife. Whether you are starting from scratch or just want to improve your existing landscape, you will learn how to design a true NW garden that will allow your family time to relax and enjoy their surroundings while keeping maintenance minimal.

- Saturday, March 9, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Redmond Library, 15990 NE 85th St., Redmond
nwdesign.brownpapertickets.com

Don't Squish That Bug! Organic Pest Management for the Home Gardener

Lisa Taylor, author and horticulturist

What are all those things crawling and flying around your garden? Are they dangerous? Join garden educator Lisa Taylor, author of "Your Farm in the City: An Urban-dweller's Guide to Growing Food and Raising Animals" and the "Maritime Northwest Garden Guide" for a lively, hands-on class about insects in the garden. Almost every bug is either beneficial or feeds beneficial organisms so it's important to know who is friend and who is foe. Participants will learn how to encourage beneficial creatures to live in their gardens.

- Thursday, March 7, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Peter Kirk Community Center, 352 Kirkland Ave, Kirkland
pestmanagement.brownpapertickets.com

Eat Your Yard: Edible Landscape Design

Lisa Taylor, author and horticulturist

Edible landscapes start in the vegetable garden but they needn't end there. Explore the elements of an edible landscape and discuss criteria for selecting edibles with Lisa Taylor, author of the "Maritime Northwest Garden Guide" and "Your Farm in the City; An Urban Dweller's Guide to Growing Food and Raising Animals". Learn how to include edibles among your existing landscape. Explore how selecting edible landscape trees, shrubs and annuals can feed the family year round. Edible landscapes can also lead to healthier eating and cooking. Harvesting and preparing food from your landscape are wonderful family and community experiences.

- Thursday, February 28, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Redmond Library, 15990 NE 85th St., Redmond
edibleyard.brownpapertickets.com
- Saturday, March 30, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Bellevue Nursery, 842 104th Ave SE, Bellevue
eatyouryard.brownpapertickets.com

Edible Landscapes for the Homeowner

Jessi Bloom, author, owner and lead designer of N.W. Bloom EcoLogical Landscapes

Would you like to grow your own food but think it's too much work or takes too much time? Learn how to employ design strategies from nature so you can grow easy edibles that are low maintenance, resilient, and sustainable. Plant once and enjoy the harvest from your edible landscape for years. Basic food forest design and favorite low maintenance edibles for the Pacific NW are featured.

- Saturday, March 9, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Squak Mountain Nursery, 7600 Renton-Issaquah Road SE, Issaquah
ediblelandscapes.brownpapertickets.com

Edible Perennials for the Pacific Northwest Garden

Lisa Taylor, author and horticulturist

If you want to eat from your yard but you can't keep up with the planting and composting and watering and weeding, include perennial edibles in your landscape. Join Lisa Taylor, author of the "Maritime Northwest Garden Guide" and "Your Farm in the City; An Urban Dweller's Guide to Growing Food and Raising Animals" in a spirited discussion about the perennial food crops that thrive in NW gardens. Expand your horizons and ease your garden work by including edible perennials in your garden.

- Saturday, March 16, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Gray Barn Nursery, 20871 NE Redmond-Fall City Road, Redmond
edibleperennials.brownpapertickets.com

Favorite Northwest Natives

Greg Rabourn, educator, radio personality, author

If you want to give your yard a NW flavor, this workshop will highlight native plants that would make a great addition to your landscape. Whether you want shade, privacy, pollinators, birds or a hassle-free landscape, discover plant suggestions you can take to the nursery.

- Saturday, March 30, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Redmond Library, 15990 NE 85th St., Redmond
favorite.brownpapertickets.com

Gardening in Small Spaces: grow more food on a tiny footprint

Lisa Taylor, author and horticulturist

Growing vegetables and fruit in small urban spaces is fun and easy. Join Lisa Taylor, garden educator and author of the *Maritime Northwest Garden Guide* and *Your Farm in the City; An Urban Dweller's Guide to Growing Food and Raising Animals* in a lively discussion about growing vegetables vertically, in containers and in raised beds. Learn how to reimagine your garden and maximize your food production. Explore container and vertical garden basics for growing a diverse and successful edible garden. We will identify vegetable and fruit varieties that are best suited to small space gardening.

- Thursday, Feb. 21, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Blakely Hall, 2550 NE Park Dr., Issaquah
smallgarden.brownpapertickets.com
- Saturday, March 23, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Master Gardener Demonstration Garden, 15500 SE 16th St., Bellevue
smallspaces.brownpapertickets.com

Introduction to Organic Gardening

Veralea Swayne, Educator and Garden Manager, Tilth Alliance

Interested in growing your own food but don't know where to start? With a little sun, soil, and water you can turn your backyard into your most local source of fresh, organic vegetables and fruits. This class will discuss siting your garden, building healthy soil, basics of garden planning and pest management.

- Saturday, March 2, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Master Gardener Demonstration Garden, 15500 SE 16th St., Bellevue
introorganic.brownpapertickets.com

Knock Out Gardens – winning the war on water use with great plants and techniques

Marianne Binetti, radio host, author, columnist

Knock Out Gardens will inspire you to plant not just shrubs and perennials that will survive in our climate, but plants that make a knock out statement when grown together and that will also smother weeds and solve other landscape problems. Learn how to combine contrasting foliage in planting areas by creating stunning plant marriages and how short, shrubby plants can support taller specimens so you won't need to stake or tie up flowers; great ground covers to block weeds around shrub roses; and how to use trees and large shrubs already in your landscape as focal points for creating theme gardens with seasonal interest that will knock your socks off.

- Saturday, March 9, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Bellevue Nursery, 842 104th Ave SE, Bellevue
knockout.brownpapertickets.com
- Thursday, March 14, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Sammamish Plateau Water, 1510 - 228th Ave. SE, Sammamish
knockoutgardens.brownpapertickets.com

Layering the Landscape for Less Maintenance: clematis, shrubs and groundcovers that love our climate

Marianne Binetti, radio host, author, columnist

The layered look of the new NW landscape that depends on color from vines especially clematis, the queen of all vines. Learn how to sneak clematis through shrubs, setting pots into the beds to contain focal point plants that need to show off and filling all empty space with the right groundcovers for weed control and to act as a living mulch. Includes warnings of groundcovers to avoid, how to turn an overgrown yard into a layered landscape and how to maintain the three different levels.

- Thursday, Feb. 28, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Bellevue Botanical Garden, 12001 Main Street, Bellevue
layering.brownpapertickets.com

Natural Lawn Care

Ladd Smith, co-owner of In Harmony Landscape Services

Learn how to have a better lawn with less effort with natural lawn care practices that will save you time, money and water. Learn how to grow a better lawn with less fertilizer, water and pesticides. Mowing, watering, fertilizing and weed control will be discussed, along with moss and mole solutions.

- Saturday, March 16, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Master Gardener Demonstration Garden, 15500 SE 16th St., Bellevue
naturallawn.brownpapertickets.com

Natural Yard and Lawn Care

Ladd Smith, co-owner of In Harmony Landscape Services

Learn natural yard care steps that can help you enjoy your landscape more and also save you time, money and water. Become familiar with the five natural yard care steps for a better garden. Weed control strategies and preparing your landscape for the hot, dry summer months will be discussed.

- Thursday, March 7, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Issaquah City Hall, 130 E. Sunset Way, Issaquah
naturalyard.brownpapertickets.com

Stealing Beauty - great garden ideas from around the world

Marianne Binetti, radio host, author, columnist

Great ideas from the best gardens in the world - make like Monet, borrow from English country gardens and see what the Italians can teach us about landscaping with little watering. You'll travel the world and go home with great ideas for your own back yard....and front yard too!

- Thursday, April 4, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Peter Kirk Community Center, 352 Kirkland Ave, Kirkland
beautifulplants.brownpapertickets.com

Sustainable Veggie Gardening

Ladd Smith, co-owner of In Harmony Landscape Services

Growing your own organic food is a fun and delicious way to garden in the NW. Vegetables, berries, and fruit trees need special care to thrive, but your time and energy will pay off with great tasting, nutritious, home-grown food. Best of all, food crops can be incorporated into your existing landscape, large or small!

- Thursday, March 14, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave. S, Tukwila
veggiestukwila.brownpapertickets.com
- Thursday, March 21, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Skyway Water and Sewer District, 6723 S 124th St, Seattle
veggiesky.brownpapertickets.com
- Saturday, April 6, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Gray Barn Nursery, 20871 NE Redmond-Fall City Road, Redmond
veggiesgraybarn.brownpapertickets.com

Top 10 Eco Gardening Hacks

Jessi Bloom, author, owner and lead designer of N.W. Bloom EcoLogical Landscapes

This class will cover the Top 10 issues that NW gardeners face and their simple solutions or "hacks". Problem weeds, water (too much or not enough), easy edibles, as well as common bugs and making the most of your garden will be discussed. Take care of your garden and it will take care of you!

- Thursday, March 21, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Blakely Hall, 2550 NE Park Dr., Issaquah
top10blakely.brownpapertickets.com

Up, Up and Out of the Way! Growing a Vertical Garden

Lisa Taylor, author and horticulturist

Grow climbing vegetable and fruit varieties that taste great and grow well in our climate. Join Lisa Taylor, author of the *Maritime Northwest Garden Guide* and *Your Farm in the City; An Urban Dweller's Guide to Growing Food and Raising Animals* in a lively examination of vertical gardening techniques for Pacific Northwest gardens and urban farms. Discover time-tested, delicious varieties that love to climb and produce enormous amounts of food! Learn techniques to make the most of your vertical spaces and how to construct attractive and functional trellises, teepees and arbors.

- Thursday, March 28, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave. S, Tukwila
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