



IN THE GARDEN SERIES — FREE PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Washington County Master Gardener™ Association

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January 27, 2018 Saturday 10am – noon

Mason Bees 101 by Ron Spendal

Addresses the biology, behavior, and natural history of the bee. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek Building 4 Classroom

February 14, 2018 Wednesday 10-11:30

Fruit Pruning, by Joanne DeHaan

Techniques for pruning blueberries, grapes, cane berries, and trailing berries will be the subjects. Bring your bypass clippers and have some fun. **Location:** Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex

February 17, 2018 Saturday 10am – noon

Raising Mason Bees* by Ron Spendal

Focuses on the environmental needs of the mason bees, nesting behaviors of mason bees, nesting and housing devices attractive to mason bees. Come learn how to build a “happy home” for these wonderful pollinators. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek Building 4 Classroom

February 21, 2018 Wednesday 10-11:30

Rose Pruning, by Bill Klug

You will learn how to prune your existing roses by pruning the 30 roses at the demonstration garden. Attendees are encouraged to bring your own pruners and gloves. Pruning tools will be sharpened for you. **Location:** Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex

March 1, 2018 Thursday, 10 am

Successful Blueberries in the Pacific NW by Sue Ryburn/Cindy Muir

Who doesn't love blueberries? Learn plant selection, soil preparation, pruning timing and techniques, bird protection, and more. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

March 7, 2018 Wednesday 10-11:30

Irrigation Basics In The Home Garden* by Jennifer Peters

PCC instructor Jennifer Peters will walk you through the ABC's of home irrigation, whether you are considering installing a new sprinkler system or have inherited an existing sprinkler system. She will also discuss how to be water-wise in the garden. **Location:** Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex

March 21, 2018 Wednesday 10-11:30

All About Lilies by Kenn Parry

Learn how to care for and grow lilies. You will be introduced to many varieties of lilies, including Oriental Lilies. Learn about all phases of growing lilies, sizes, varieties, planting, fertilizing, and caring for your lilies after they are planted. **Location:** Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex



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March 29, 2018 Thursday, 10 am

Pruning Ornamentals in the Home Garden by Sandy Japely

Hydrangeas, lilacs, small trees, and more: Proper pruning greatly improves a plant's appearance and health. Learn basics of pruning small ornamental trees, shrubs, grasses; how much and when to prune, tools to use. Class does NOT cover pruning of fruit trees. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

April 12, 2018 Thursday, 10 am

Attracting Bees, Butterflies, Birds by Kassia Rudd

This hands-on session will prepare you to incorporate wildlife friendly plants and features into your yard. Already gardening for wildlife? We have something for you too—this session will end with an overview of citizen science opportunities for wildlife gardeners. Whether you are a pollinator fan, or nuts about birds, this session has something for you. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

April 21, 2018 Saturday, 10 am

Veggie Garden Rotation Gardening* by Tim Lanfri

Learn basics for successful vegetable planting, maintenance and harvest. How to optimize garden space and use crop rotation to lessen the need for pest control, reduce the spread of soil-borne disease and avoid nutrient depletion in the soil. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

April 24, 2018 Tuesday 10-11:30

Growing tomatoes in a home garden* by Tim Lanfri

This class will teach you the basics of growing tomatoes in a backyard garden and will go “beyond the basics” to describe how you can grow a large crop of high quality tomatoes in a limited amount of space. He will share techniques and tricks he has used to successfully grow tomatoes in the local area over the last 40 years. **Location:** Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex

April 25, 2018 Wednesday 10-11:30am

Native Plant ID by Elizabeth Brewster

Join us for a walk in the woods to identify spring-blooming native plants including trees, shrubs and herbaceous species. Learn about plant communities and see how the ecology of a site affects its plant composition. Wear sturdy shoes and weather appropriate clothing. We'll be doing a fair amount of walking. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek. Meet at the Events Parking Lot behind Building 9.

May 5, 2018 Saturday, 10 am

Container Gardening: Flowers, Herbs, and Vegetables Too! by Sandy Japely/Kathi Stoffel

Your small patio or porch can wow with blooming pots full of perennial and annual flowers, delicious culinary herbs, and a crop of yummy vegetables too. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate



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May 8, 2018 Tuesday 10-11:30

Sustainable Soil Health by Heather Havens.

We will discuss natural soil fertilization and management for maximum plant and soil health. We'll discuss the use of natural soil amendments and fertilizers, and sustainable soil health and maintenance techniques. **Location:** Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex

May 17, 2018 Thursday, 10 am

Growing Northwest Native Plants by Ardis Schroeder

What is the definition of a native plant? What specific Northwest native plants will grow well in my yard or garden? Come discuss and explore this timely topic! **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

May 22, 2018 Tuesday 10-11:30

Square Foot Gardening by Karen Kirby, Bob Campbell, and Jerry Anderson

Learn techniques for growing vegetables in very limited space by maximizing planting density and limiting the need for thinning, watering, and weeding. Tips for bed construction and soil maintenance will also be provided. **Location:** Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex

June 2, 2018 Saturday 10am – 11am

Propagation by Cuttings by Helen Dorbolo

Join us for a hands-on introductory plant propagation class with a focus on cloning through stem cuttings. Cutting and preparation techniques will be demonstrated; students will take *and prepare* cuttings of various perennials and shrubs (provided). Potting mix and after-care will be discussed. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek Building 4 Workroom

June 9, 2018 Saturday, 10 am

Conifers of the Northwest by Elizabeth Price

Learn how to identify conifers found in the Pacific northwest to family (cypress, pine, yew). Then we will go deeper into the pine family and learn how to identify this large family of conifers to genus. By the end of the class, you'll be able to differentiate among Douglas-fir, hemlock, larch, pine, true cedar, true fir and spruce. This is a hands-on class; samples of plants will be available for everyone to examine. If you have one, please bring a loupe (a hand lens). **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

June 16, 2018 Saturday, 10 am –

Weed ID and Control* by Marilyn Berti

Bittercress, curly dock, nutsedge, dandelion, bindweed, horsetail! Yipes – so many Northwest weeds. Learn the differences between perennial and annual weeds and how to best control these annoying uninvited guests in your yard. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate



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June 21, 2018 Thursday, 10 am

Success with Herbs: Culinary and Other Uses by Judy Fenker

Herbs are great for seasoning food and gorgeous in the garden too. Learn herb selection, best soil conditions and **Location** to create and maintain a bountiful and beautiful herb garden.

Location: Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

June 23, 2018 Saturday 10am – noon

Arborvitae ID (and their look-alikes) by Elizabeth Price

Learn to identify Arborvitae and trees that are often mistaken for Arborvitae. Eight tree species in the Cypress family with the same type of foliage will be closely examined. Learn key ID characteristics, plant habit and uses in the landscape. This will be a walking tour of the PCC Rock Creek campus. Wear sturdy shoes and weather appropriate clothing. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek. Meet at Learning Garden Red Shed

July 12, 2018 Thursday, 10 am

Drought Tolerant Gardening in the Northwest - Carolyn Adams/Jacque Myers

A wide variety of landscape plants thrive in the Willamette Valley's climate with little or no water once established. Learn about reducing water needs of conventional plants and creating a low-water garden. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

July 20, 2018 Friday 10am – 11am

Blueberry Selection and Care by Sue Ryburn

Blueberries are fun and relatively easy to grow in our area. Learn about varieties, how to care for blueberries, harvesting, monitoring for problems and how to address them. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek. Meet at Learning Garden Red Shed

September 15, 2018 Saturday, 10 am – 1pm

Learning Garden Open House*

Tour the Master Gardener Learning Garden and attend free workshops held onsite.

September 15, Saturday, 10 am

Seeds: Sowing/Harvesting/Saving* by Sarah Gramm Wolf

What the seed packets don't tell you when planting seeds; heirloom varieties and seed harvesting (when to harvest, how to clean the seeds); seed saving (storage conditions); and do-it-yourself viability testing before planting your saved seeds. Pioneers brought their saved seeds with them when they crossed the Oregon Trail ... the tiny, mighty seed! **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate



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September 15, Saturday, 11 am

Winterize: Putting your Garden to Bed* by Sue Ryburn

Fall signals the coming of our winter months and the time to prepare the garden for cooler, wetter days. Learn about steps to protect your plants, take advantage of the indoors for some garden tasks, prepare for spring and also support the ecosystem in your garden. **Location:** Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate

September 22, 2018 Saturday 10am – noon

Creating a Hellstrip Garden - From Sod 2 Super!* by Susan Albright

Want to reclaim an under-used portion of your yard? Curious about the term "Hellstrip" and if you have one? *This session answers these questions and more.* Come learn about site preparation, plant selection and design, planting techniques, water concerns, and maintenance for hellstrips. If possible, we will have some hands-on activities in the garden. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek Building 4 Classroom

December 1, 2018 Saturday 10am – noon

Mason Bee Cocoon Cleaning by Ron Spendal

This presentation is a hands-on workshop showing how to extract, clean, and store mason bee cocoons. **Location:** WCGMA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek Building 4 Workroom

Demonstration Garden at the Washington County Fair Complex 882 NE 28th Ave. Hillsboro. Go west on Cornell Road after the main entrance to the Fair Complex turn left onto NE 25th, and make a sharp left turn onto NE 28th. Enter the fairgrounds at the West Parking Lot entrance. The Garden is on the left. No registration, free parking

Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate 8005 SW Grabhorn, Beaverton, OR 97007. On weekends, use the Camp Rivendale entrance, park, and then walk past play structure down to Learning Garden. No registration needed, free parking.

WCMGA Education Garden at PCC-Rock Creek 17705 NW Springville Rd. Portland, OR 97229. No registration needed, free parking: For weekday WCMGA educational events, use the Events Parking Lot behind Building 9. On Saturdays all campus parking areas available for free. [Map](#)