

Grow With Us Evening Classes

All programs are presented twice; once via ZOOM and once in person. These sessions will not be recorded; program handouts providing links to abundant resources and in-depth information will be made available.

All Virtual dates are **Thursdays** (start time 6:00pm)

All In-Person dates are **Mondays** (start time 6:30pm)

In-person sessions will be held at the Kathleen Clay Edwards branch library, 1420 Price Park Drive, Greensboro NC

** Programs are designed to be approximately one hour long.*

PLANNING THE 3-SEASON VEGETABLE GARDEN

VIRTUAL: Thursday, January 12th at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, January 9th at 6:30 PM



Growing vegetables is especially rewarding in the Piedmont because we can harvest something edible at least 10 months of the year. The key is good planning and preparation. January is the perfect time to start getting ready, so join us to learn some of the simple ways to get the most out of your personal gardening space.

PROPER PRUNING PREVENTS POOR PLANT PERFORMANCE

VIRTUAL: Thursday, January 26th at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, January 30th at 6:30 PM



The art of pruning does not mean shearing shrubs into green meatballs! Our discussion will cover the tools, techniques, and especially the timing for pruning ornamental small trees and shrubs. Learning to make the right choices is the easy way to have healthier, prettier, and longer-lived plants.

PLEASE NOTE: this program does not cover the specific pruning needs of fruit trees.

GROWING GREAT TOMATOES: TOP TIPS FOR PIEDMONT GARDENERS, PART 1

VIRTUAL: Thursday, February 9th at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, February 13th at 6:30 PM



It's still way too early to plant them, but now is the right time to start preparing for your summer garden. That's the key to enjoying your own home-grown tomatoes! Here is great information to get you off to a good start - proven tips and techniques including selecting the right varieties, preparing soil and/or containers, and more ways to start your season ready for success with America's most popular garden vegetable.

* Then please plan to join us for Great Tomatoes part 2 (on April 8th) to discuss the planting and growing

GROW YOUR BEST VEGETABLE GARDEN

VIRTUAL: Thursday, February 23rd at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, February 27th at 6:30 PM

Learning and using sensible best practices will help you get the best results in your vegetable garden. Topics include preparing soil, selection and timing of vegetable varieties, good upkeep, and using integrated pest management techniques. Growing your own food can be economical, educational, and fun!

CONTAINER EDIBLES: GROWING HERBS AND VEGETABLES IN POTS

VIRTUAL: Thursday, March 9th at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, March 13th at 6:30 PM



If you have limited space, sun, or time - you can still have a wonderfully productive garden in a set of containers. Grow your own vegetables and herbs to eat better and also save on your food budget! We'll cover all the basics of the best ways to do it: with the right location, good timing, an easy plan, and a little tending.

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ALL TALKS ARE FREE!

Pre-Registration Is Required

to Reserve your seat at In Person sessions or to Receive the Zoom Link for Virtual sessions

To register for any/all sessions visit:
<http://go.ncsu.edu/growwithus>

CULINARY HERBS

VIRTUAL: Thursday, March 23rd at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, March 27th at 6:30 PM

Eat healthier and tastier with home grown culinary herbs from your garden or containers! We can grow parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme – and the pizza herbs like basil and oregano – plus many more. Herbs are also beautiful fragrant flowering plants that support pollinators. Learn their needs and characteristics so you can have fun and success growing the herbs you want to use in your kitchen.



GROWING GREAT TOMATOES: TOP TIPS FOR PIEDMONT GARDENERS, PART 2

VIRTUAL: Thursday, April 6th at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, April 10th at 6:30 PM

Finally, tomato planting time is here! And we've got lots more tried and true tips to share for a successful season. This program is all about the steps and strategies for planting, caring for, and harvesting your favorite fruit (or is it a vegetable?) – in garden beds or even in containers. Get ready for tomato sandwiches all summer long!



FLOWER GARDENING FUN-DAMENTALS

VIRTUAL: Thursday, April 20th at 6:00 PM

IN PERSON: Monday, April 24th at 6:30 PM

Spring will soon become summer, so it's time to talk about flowers. Annuals and perennials are the foundation of any flower garden, large or small - choosing and using the right plants for your space will get you growing successfully. With flower beds or flowering containers, or a combination, you can have a garden in any location that will reward you with beautiful blooms.



SUMMER VEGETABLE GARDEN SUCCESS

VIRTUAL ONLY: Thursday, May 18th at 6:00 PM

Learning and using best practices is the key to getting best results in your summer vegetable garden. May is the perfect time to talk about the challenges and the rewards of growing food plants in the Piedmont. We'll talk about soil prep, plant selection and timing, good upkeep, and using integrated pest management for sustainable solutions.

PLANNING AND PLANTING FOR POLLINATORS

VIRTUAL ONLY: Thursday, June 15th at 6:00 PM

Gardeners need pollinators, and pollinators need gardeners too! Even small home gardens can provide important habitat for them, especially in urban and suburban neighborhoods: year-round food sources, and places for the next generation to reach maturity. It's fun to create a pollinator garden that is also a beautiful and fascinating setting for the gardener to enjoy.

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Grow with Us Lunch and Learn Classes

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SUCCESS WITH HOUSEPLANTS, THE INDOOR GARDEN

Tuesday, January 17th at noon

Does your indoor foliage collection look like an episode of “Desperate Houseplants”? Meeting their needs is not luck, or a talent you’re born with – just a little bit of information makes it easy and fun. The key is making the right selections, and learning a few simple ways to keep them thriving.



SUMMER FLOWERING BULBS

Tuesday, February 21st at noon

Bulbs aren’t just for spring bloom - summer flowering bulbs (and rhizomes, and tubers) include some of our favorites like irises and dahlias. We plant them in spring and they reward us with blossoms through the summer and into fall! Many will bloom and may even multiply, while others are easy-care annuals.



MADE IN THE SHADE – GREAT GARDENS IN LOWER LIGHT

Tuesday, March 21st at noon

An abundance of large trees and shady areas in the yard is an exciting challenge to the creative gardener, not an obstacle. Gardening in the shade can be very rewarding! We’ll discuss a variety of shrubs, annuals, perennials, and woodland plants that will brighten and add color to your shady retreat.



SMALL SPACE CONTAINER GARDENS

Tuesday, April 18th at noon

Creative containers are great for a display of pansies, petunias or other colorful annuals - and so much more! They're also perfect for interesting combinations and unusual plantings that provide curb appeal for your home. We'll discuss how container-hardy perennials, shrubs, and even small trees can be used to add year-round visual focus and create a garden in any location.



BACKYARD HABITAT—GARDENING WITH WILDLIFE

Tuesday May 23rd at noon

One of the many joys of gardening is the chance to observe and support nature. Birds, butterflies, and other creatures find needed habitat in our yards – this program is about how to make them welcome. We'll also talk about some ways to discourage a few of the uninvited guests who may sometimes come to the party.



INCLUDE NATIVES—BEAUTIFUL AND BENEFICIAL

Tuesday, June 20th at noon

Any gardener can include native plants - selecting the right options for your site is easy with some good basic information. Even small changes help offset habitat loss in our urban and suburban locations. We can all enjoy healthier and more resilient landscapes by increasing plant diversity in our own backyards.



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