



Oregon State University Extension Service

2012 Saturday and Evening Classes hosted by Jackson Co. Master Gardener Association

All classes are held at the OSU Extension Auditorium unless otherwise noted.
 * Classes eligible for Master Gardener recertification

- Sat. February 11 *Grape Pruning** Chris Hubert, Oregon Vineyard Supply
 The emphasis of this class will be growing grapes in the home garden especially how, when, and where to prune. Participants will learn terminology that applies to growing grapes, care of grapes, and solutions for common grape problems in the home garden. The class will conclude with an outdoor demonstration in pruning grapes so dress for the weather. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Cost: \$10/MG free
- Sat. February 18 *Fruit Tree Pruning** Terry Helfrich, Professional Orchardist
 The emphasis of this class will be growing fruit trees in the home garden especially how, when, and where to prune. Selection of trees and planting site, tree structure, planting requirements, spacing, tree training will also be discussed. The class will conclude with an outdoor demonstration in pruning fruit trees so dress for the weather. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Cost: \$10/MG free
- Sat. March 3 *Rose Pruning** Len Tiernan, Master Gardener
 Rose anatomy, rose care, pruning tools, and 10 principles for pruning roses will be discussed. The class will conclude with outdoor practice in pruning roses so dress for the weather and bring gloves, clippers, and loppers. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Cost: \$10/MG free
- Tues. March 6 *Fruit Tree Grafting** George Tiger, retired OSU Extension Agent
Class limited to 25. Prepayment required. Materials fee-\$25 (all participants). Class fee-\$5 (MG free). See Paula in the Extension Office.
 Learn how to create your own apple tree or save grandpa's favorite apple tree. The techniques and tools for grafting fruit trees will be taught. Class members will choose apple tree varieties to make a minimum of three grafted starts to take home. 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Sat. March 17 Ready-Set-Grow, A Day for Beginners** \$5 per class or 4 classes for \$15/MG free
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| 8:30-10:00 | *Seed Starting for Beginners | Don Shaffer, Master Gardener |
| 10:15-11:45 | *Vegetable Gardening for Beginners | Carol Oneal, Master Gardener |
| 11:45- 1:00 | Lunch (on your own) | |
| 1:00- 2:30 | *Annuals and Perennials for Beginners | Stan Mapolski, "The Rogue Gardener" KMED 1440/KTVL |
| 2:45- 4:15 | *Soil and Water for Beginners | Bob Reynolds, Master Gardener Coordinator |
- Thurs. March 29 *Early Bloomers** Cliff Bennett, Chet's Garden Nursery
 Plant varieties that bloom early (either late winter or early spring) will be discussed and shown. Many plants that have something to offer other than flowers will also be included. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Tues. April 10 *Introduction to drip irrigation** Don Steyskal, Grange Co-op
 This class will provide an introduction to micro-irrigation for water conservation and weed control. Topics will include basic components; system lay-out; and repair and modification. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Wed. April 25 *Springtime Pests** Patrick Marcus, Master Gardener
 Flying, crawling, creeping, gnawing and other pests will be dealt with in this program. Patrick Marcus will demonstrate effective ways to send a wide variety of pests on their way. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free.
- Sat. May 12 *Summer Care of Grape Vines** Chris Hubert, Oregon Vineyard Supply
 Learn the most important grape management techniques after pruning. The proper summer management of grape vines includes early season shoot thinning, controlling head suckering, training vine growth for the rest of the season and controlling crop load. Class will take place outdoors in the vineyard. Come dressed for the weather. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Cost: \$10/MG free
- Tues. May 15 *Choose and Grow Rock Garden Plants** Kelley Leonard, North American Rock Garden Society
 Learn the basics about building a rock garden: rocks, soil, and plants, along with some pointers on how to choose containers. Have a look at some rock garden plants growing in the Rogue Valley. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG Free
- Wed. May 30 * Growing Vegetables and Herbs in Containers** Marjorie Neal, Master Gardener
 Marjorie Neal will demonstrate the ways to select containers, soil, plants; both vegetable and herb, that work well together to get your container garden growing. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free.



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- Thurs. June 14** *Don't Be Afraid of Perennials **Christie Mackison, Shooting Star Nursery**
There's more than evergreen plants for interest in the winter months. Learn about some great, long-blooming perennials and how to use them to be rewarded with blooms every month of the year. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Thurs. June 28** *Introduction to Permaculture: The Self-Sustaining Garden **Cynthia Care, Garden Counselor**
Increase your garden's vitality and resilience, decrease your "carbon footprint" by applying permaculture principles and techniques: easiest-to-grow edible plants and managing weeds in an environmentally-sustainable way. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG Free
- Mon. July 9** *Growing Ferns in the Rogue Valley **Drew Matthew, Grange Co-op**
The botany of ferns, including their differences from other plants, will be explained. Those native to the Rogue Valley will be explored. Choose an appropriate fern for your location and how to prepare the soil will be included. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Thurs. July 26** *Winter Veggie Gardens **Janet Rodkey, Master Gardener**
What can grow outdoors in winter months? Garden maintenance, seed starting, frost protection, varieties of vegetables and herbs that will grow all winter in our region will be covered. Ornamentals will also be addressed. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Tues. August 7** *Bees and Plants that Attract Them **John Jacob, So. OR Beekeepers, Old Sol Enterprises**
Bees are beneficial to a garden. How can gardeners help them help us? Bee and pollinator basics will be covered in this class along with planting strategies that will benefit them. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Thurs. August 23** *Evening Plant Clinic/Garden Conversation **A Foursome of Master Gardeners**
Join Master Gardeners Baldassare Mineo, Regula Pepi, Marsha Waite and Bob Reynolds, Advisor for an evening of gardening conversation. Review your 2012 garden (real and imagined) and we'll talk. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free.
- Tues. & Wed. September 11 & 12** Beginning Home Winemaking **Linda Donovan, Pallet Wine Co.**
Learn to make your own wine. This class will take you through the complete process from harvest to bottle with the goal of learning how to make 10 gallons of "drinkable" wine. This is a two-evening class. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: TBA
- Thurs. September 13** *Planting Riparian Areas **Tim Weaver, Little Butte Creek Watershed**
Learn how to stabilize banks along creeks and improve the riparian area on your property. A well-planted riparian area controls erosion, reduces bacteria transport, and improves shade for migrating fish. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Tues. & Wed. September 25 & 26** Advanced Home Winemaking **Linda Donovan, Pallet Wine Co**
Expand your knowledge of wine chemistry and sensory evaluation by exploring the higher chemistry and microbiology of winemaking. This is a two-evening class. Prerequisite: Beginning Home Winemaking or its equivalent. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: TBA
- Thurs. September 27** Care of Your Well and Septic System **Audrey Eldridge, DEQ Senior Hydrogeologist**
Have a well and a septic system? Want to know how to maintain them while protecting your drinking water? Learn how frequently to pump a septic tank, how to find your well log, what water quality tests are recommended, and more. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Mon. October 8** *Seed Saving **Tal Blankenship, retired Master Gardener advisor & arborist**
The advantages of saving seeds from home gardens along with two techniques for doing so will be discussed and demonstrated. Heirloom seeds will be referenced. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Wed. October 24** Chinese Classical Gardens **Myrl Bishop, Master Gardener**
The Chinese Classical Garden offers insight into 4000 years of Chinese culture. Come look more closely at the hidden depths of this type of garden, with the Portland Chinese Classical Garden used as a prime example. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Wed. November 14** *Growing Bamboo for You **Thielsen Lebo, Lebeau Bamboo**
Get information on preparing, selecting and caring for bamboo as well as a general knowledge of its many uses around the garden and around the world. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free
- Thurs. December 6** Tool Care for the Home Gardener **Kraig Rucker, Grange Co-op**
This class will cover proper care and sharpening of garden tools to get the best use out of them. Proper storage and what to look for when buying tools will also be covered. 7:00-9:00 p.m. Cost: \$5/MG free



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