

2008

Spring Gardening Workshop

Saturday April 19th

Friday Harbor Middle School

85 Blair Avenue, Friday Harbor

9:00 am – 3:15 pm

FEATURING

DAVE COWEN, GENERAL MANAGER
THE BUTCHART GARDENS - VICTORIA, BC

DICK BROWN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
THE BLOEDEL RESERVE - BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

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HALF TIDE FARMS – FRIDAY HARBOR

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

8:15-9:00 Registration	12:15-1:00 Lunch & Raffle
9:00-9:45 Dave Cowen, Keynote Speaker	1:00-2:00 Dick Brown, Keynote Speaker
10:00-11:00 Session #1	2:15-3:15 Session #3
11:15-12:15 Session #2	

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Session #1

Integrated Pest Management (IPM): Colleen Burrows, WSU IPM Coordinator will guide you through the good, the bad, and the ugly of responsible pest control.

Trying to Outwit the Deer in the Garden: Are you still trying to figure out deer, their habits and habitat? WSU Master Gardener Midge Kraetzer will share her list of plants deer tend not to browse, give you coping tips, fencing advice, and a heads-up on researched-based deer solutions that really work.

So this is Soil! Now What? Part 1: Ted Swensen, a consultant for organic growers and retired professor of organic gardening, and biology will help you to really know your soil, how to determine soil texture, and what roles sand, clay and silt play in your garden. (*Part 2 of this class is offered in Session #2*).

Healthy Gardening Moves: Gardening doesn't have to be a pain. Physical therapist Suzie LeFever Button will teach you the right moves in the garden. You'll be feeling your best after a rewarding day in the garden.

Session #2

Berries: Colleen Burrows will discuss the best berry varieties for our area, which ones are disease-resistant, and best producers, to get you enjoying your fresh berries all summer long, and after.

Rain Gardens—Improving Water Quality One Household at a Time: WSU Master Gardener and licensed geologist Julia Turney will tell you what rain gardens are, how to design one, and why storm water, even from our roofs and yards, can be managed with rain gardens.

So this is Soil! Now What? Part 2: You've learned the basics of soil, but there's plenty more. This class will discuss soil organic matter, microorganisms, soil amendments, and interactions among soil, soil organisms and roots. Remember, healthy plants begin with healthy soil.

Site Planning - Managing Acreage: How do we integrate our water resources, septic field, fencing and roads to create pleasing spaces? Marguerite Greening of Greening and Greening Landscaping will guide you through how to get started. Come with a specific property in mind and make a checklist for planning and mapping.

What Works in My Garden: Beds, Barriers & Black Hoses: Debbie Hatch, a four-season vegetable gardener from Lopez will introduce you to the 'infrastructure' that makes her garden easy to maintain. She'll share her tips of vegetable bed design, barriers such as row covers, and irrigation options.

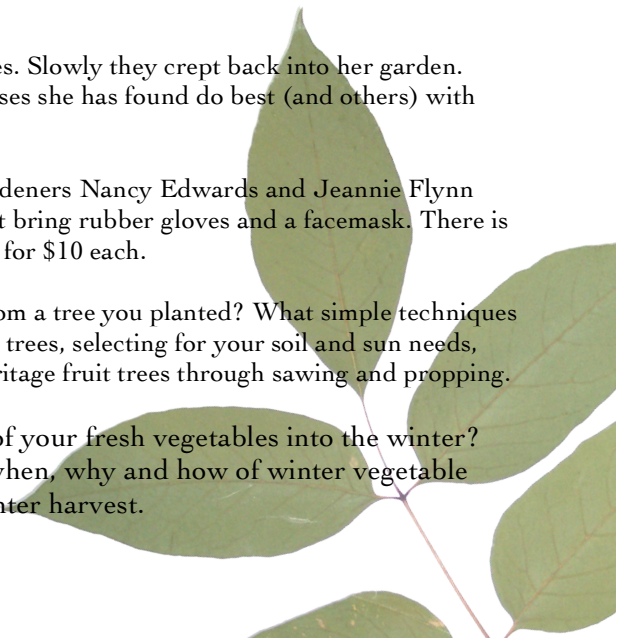
Session #3

Roses for the Islands: WSU Master Gardener Midge Kraetzer swore off roses. Slowly they crept back into her garden. Here she'll give you a personalized tour through the genus *Rosa* with those roses she has found do best (and others) with some hints about rose care. No black spot.

Make a Hypertufa Plant Container: With the guidance of WSU Master Gardeners Nancy Edwards and Jeannie Flynn you will make a hypertufa pot to take home. All materials will be supplied, just bring rubber gloves and a facemask. There is a materials fee of \$35 for this class and bags of hypertufa mix will be available for \$10 each.

Food Producing Trees: What could be more delightful than picking plums from a tree you planted? What simple techniques can you use to protect your investment? This class will discuss pruning young trees, selecting for your soil and sun needs, fencing, a quick demo of how to sharpen your pruners, and how to restore heritage fruit trees through sawing and propping.

Extending the Growing Season: Want to extend the growing season of your fresh vegetables into the winter? WSU Vegetable Crop Specialist Carol Miles will guide you through the when, why and how of winter vegetable gardening, and get you planning and planting now for a productive winter harvest.



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REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

Workshop Fee \$25.00 (\$30 after April 12, 2008) \$ _____

Materials Fee (Hypertufa only) \$35.00 \$ _____

Box Lunch (optional) \$11.00 \$ _____

turkey & cheese wrap, fruit, cookie & beverage

Vegetarian wrap, fruit, cookie & beverage

TOTAL \$ _____

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Session #2 11:15-12:15

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Site Planning

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Roses for the Islands

Make A Hypertufa Container (If you plan to attend this class, please check the box. Class size is limited to the first twenty who register. There is an additional \$35 materials fee for this class)

Food Producing Trees

Extending the Vegetable Season

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: MGF

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