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LONG ISLAND ENVIRONMENTAL GARDENING PRESENTATIONS

Add something special to your organization's event with informative university research-based "mini courses" and programs. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Nassau County (CCE-NC) offers a variety of gardening programs for presentation to area civic or community associations, libraries, garden clubs and societies, adult education programs, and fraternal organizations, for only a nominal cost.

Experienced CCE-NC personnel and Cornell Master Gardeners provide in-depth 75 to 90-minute presentations with fact sheet literature and Q&A sessions provided for only \$199 per presentation. We include Water Quality and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in all our presentations as foundational knowledge. Accommodations for persons with disabilities can be requested by contacting us anytime at 516.433.7970 (ext. 17). For more information and to schedule programs for your community group, call Extension Community Educator Bonnie Lynn Klein at 516.565.5265 (ext. 11).

Backyard Composting



Small-scale composting is easy to do and the finished product is a great soil amendment for landscape and gardening use. Learn how and what to compost in your own back yard.

It's all about the soil!

Creative Container Gardens



Not enough space? Or just want to add interest to your home? Learn about one of the hottest trends in gardening—growing plants in a wide variety of containers. A container garden can enhance an entranceway, solve a landscape challenge or beautify a deck or patio, or add elegance around a pool. Learn how to choose your container, design a container planting and maintain your mini garden throughout the garden season. A great solution for Hurricane Sandy-contaminated areas!

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Herb Gardening



Aloe vera, dill, chives, oregano, mint, marigolds are all herbs. We describe and explore an array of herbaceous plants suitable for Long Island, some of their edible, therapeutic and fragrant uses, and introduce you to some new friends and old. Gardening with herbs is fun, easy, useful and can be a healthy and decorative change for your own landscape!

Tree & Shrub Landscape Design



Trees and shrubs are the absolute foundation for a great garden, holding the beauty of the landscape throughout the growing season and beyond! Learn which plantings perform best in a variety of situations and learn to choose the right ones for the right location.

Lawn Care & Our Environment



This practical session will give you all the information you need to show off your lawn to your neighbors. Proper mowing, watering and fertilization, disease, insect and weed control, thatch and core aeration are just some of the topics discussed. The leaching potential of fertilizers and pesticides into Long Island ground water is high and will be an important focus. We will explain pesticides and who is allowed to use them as well as lawn care without chemical inputs. This is also a chance for the local landscaper and the homeowner to develop an educated communication with each other. If your lawn, or your customers' lawns, were impacted by Hurricane Sandy, we have some solutions for you!

Choosing Perennials



Are you interested in using perennial plants in your landscape but are unsure of which ones to choose? Many varieties are discussed during this session including their color/foliage, sun/shade tolerance, moisture requirements and their many ornamental attributes that will have you hooked on perennials!

Everything Orchids! Beauty, Care & Culture



Did you always want to buy an orchid but thought they were hard to maintain? Now is your chance to learn all the secrets of growing orchids. This presentation will provide a guide to orchid culture including; kinds of orchids, light requirements, temperature, fertilizer, watering, potting mediums, and keeping your orchids healthy and happy for years to come!

Pruning Basics



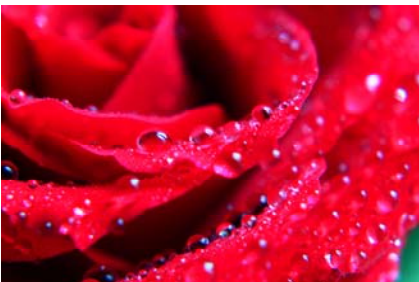
Have you often asked “When do I prune my Hydrangea?” or “My shrub is overgrown how much can I prune and when?” Why, when, frequency, pruning deciduous and evergreen trees and shrubs and pruning hedges are all topics discuss in this very informative session that will have your trees and shrubs looking their very best!

Putting the Garden to Bed in Fall



Proper care of your landscape in the fall is important to the success of your plants for the next season. This course discusses what to do in the garden to get ready for winter including cutting back of perennials, fertilization, bulbs, soil pH testing and compost. If you follow these practical tips you will be amazed by the improved results next spring!

Rose Gardening Basics



Don't let rumors about roses being “too much work” discourage you from enjoying the “Queen of Flowers.” Learn how to get your roses off to a winning start with careful selection, proper planting, pruning and maintenance. Come hear about the Earthkind roses and their easy care reputation. We are pleased to host the first *Earthkind Rose Trial Garden* on Long Island (and only the 3rd in New York).

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Shade Gardening



Shade gardens don't have to be dull and uninviting! This presentation will explore alternative plants suitable for shaded areas. With proper soil preparation and plant selection, flowers and colorful foliage can brighten up the shady border. Bulbs, annuals, perennials and some woody shrubs are also featured for this sometimes challenging area of your yards and gardens!

Wake Up Your Garden this Spring!



Successful gardens and landscapes are the result of proactive gardeners and growers! Learn what needs to be done to get your garden up and growing at the beginning of spring. Lawn care, soil testing, mulching, flowers & spring bulb care, and watering are some of the topics that will be discussed. Start the season off with a strong viable landscape.

Garden-to-Table Vegetables



Home vegetable gardening is on the rise, harkening back to our "Victory Garden" past. There is nothing like eating a slice of your own homegrown tomato. Are you thinking about starting a vegetable garden? Or just need a little advice? Let us help you learn to choose the right location for your veggies, prepare your soil, and decide between vegetables from seeds or transplants. Learn general maintenance needs that will lead to bountiful harvests!

Right Tree, Right Location...?



What size? Evergreen or deciduous? Deep or shallow root systems? How close to buildings, driveways and sidewalks can I plant it? What about height and canopy spread? Soil, sun, and moisture requirements? Fruit, leaf and petal droppings? Growth rate? Hardiness? These and a host of other questions are resolved during this informative and practical landscape planning session.

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Thank you for considering these informative programs we regularly make available to the community for nominal cost. We hope you find the university research-based resources of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Nassau County present fun options for your group. If we can ever be of service in your community, please feel free to contact me with ideas and/or questions about how we might help. Call me anytime at 516.433.7970 or email at nassau@cornell.edu. Please accept my sincere thanks for your consideration and continued support.

Yours truly,

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