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Welcome Spring!

Spring is a time for new beginnings and for renewal, especially with gardens and gardening. Here's your chance to rise to the occasion with a variety of home gardening workshops offered by Master Gardener volunteers.

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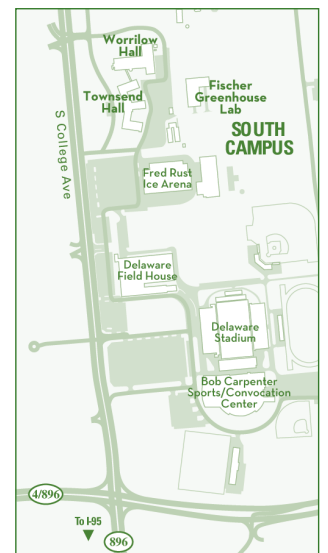
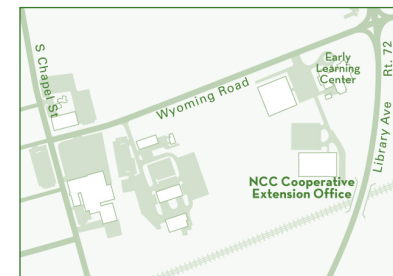
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2009 Spring Workshops

University of Delaware/Newark Campus*

STARTING VEGETABLES AND FLOWERS FROM SEED \$15

This class is designed for the novice gardener. Learn techniques, and discover tips, to start and grow plants from seed. There's nothing better than growin' your own fresh vegetables and flowers. Think of all the money you'll save at the grocery store!

Sign-up for this course, together with the 3-part basic vegetable gardening series for only \$45! See registration form for details.

Lead Instructor: Hetty Cumba
Thursday, March 5
7:00–9:00 pm
Fischer Greenhouse

GROW YOUR OWN FOOD: BASIC VEGETABLE GARDENING \$35

(3 sessions) Grow your own food – learn how to start your first vegetable garden. In this series, we'll cover the basics of vegetable gardening from soil preparation to vegetable selection to putting your garden to bed at the end of the season. Other topics of interest include raised bed gardening, Integrated Pest Management (IPM), three-season gardening, and more. Why spend extra money at the grocery store when you can grow healthy and delicious vegetables right in your backyard?

Lead Instructor: John Kennel
Tuesdays, March 10, 17 & 24
6:30–8:30 pm
Extension Office

PUZZLED BY PRUNING \$18

Co-sponsored with the University of Delaware Botanic Gardens
Solve your puzzle. This course will demystify when to prune, what equipment to use and which techniques are

most effective. We will display pruning tools and demonstrate proper pruning techniques using material supplied by the UDBG. You will receive handouts and other material to take home.

Lead Instructor: Clyde Roberts
Wednesday, March 11
7:00–9:00 pm
Fischer Greenhouse

WEED IDENTIFICATION AND TREATMENT \$15

What weeds do you call your own? We'll help you identify your weeds and offer treatments for removal or control. Constant vigilance and timing is the key to good weed control. Proper pesticide selection and application will be discussed, and a greenhouse tour is planned. So many weeds, so little time.

Lead Instructor: Frank Ebright
Thursday, March 19
7:00–9:00 pm
Fischer Greenhouse

RENOVATE YOUR HOME LANDSCAPE ONE STEP AT A TIME \$30

(2 sessions) Are your foundation plantings overgrown? Would you like to include plants in your landscape that provide more than one season of interest? Don't know where to start? Come prepared to share your landscape problems and learn about possible solutions. Bring photos, sketches, plans, etc. Your proposed design will be discussed in small groups during the second session.

Lead Instructor: Clyde Roberts
Wednesdays, March 25 & April 8
7:00–9:00 pm
Landscape Design Studio, Worrirow Hall, Room 103

I HATE MY LAWN \$30

(2 sessions) Grow the lawn you want with fewer chemicals and less water! This comprehensive course will help you to recognize lawn problems and learn how to cure them. Topics include soil conditioning, choosing a grass type, sod versus seed, fertilizing, mowing, pesticides, diseases, etc. You'll learn to love your lawn!

Lead Instructor: Rob Medicus
Tuesday, March 31 & Thursday, April 2
6:30–9:00 pm
Fischer Greenhouse

IT'S THE BERRIES \$15

Imagine walking out of your door and picking your own delicious berries. There's no sweeter reward. Learn the basics of growing your own strawberries, blueberries and raspberries. You'll be berry popular!

Lead Instructor: Rob Medicus
Tuesday, April 14
7:00–9:00 pm
Fischer Greenhouse

RAIN + GARDEN = RAIN GARDEN \$18

Can landscaped beds in your garden help with storm water management? Learn how to install a rain garden to help manage your storm water, beautify your landscape and function as a wildlife habitat. Class includes material and a visit to a University of Delaware Rain Garden.
Lead Instructor: Eva Rotmann-Oehler
Saturday, April 18
9:00–12:00 pm
Extension Office

NATIVE PLANTS AND SHRUBS \$15

Want to improve bio-diversity in your garden? Attract birds, butterflies, caterpillars, and other beneficial insects too? Learn about native plants and shrubs that will do just this. This workshop will include a walk through the Cooperative Extension native plant garden. Be Native!

Lead Instructor: Suzanne Baron

Thursday, April 30
7:00–9:00 pm
Extension Office

BACKYARD COMPOSTING \$15

Create an earth-friendly garden through composting. Learn easy methods to recycle kitchen and garden waste to improve your soil and grow healthier plants.

Lead Instructor: Gail Hermenau
Saturday, May 2
1:00–3:00 pm
Extension Office

CONTAINER GARDENS \$25

Learn the basic principles to create and maintain a beautiful container garden. Bring a 10-12 inch container with drainage holes. And, bring gloves if you don't like dirty hands.

Lead Instructor: Pat Hodgson
Tuesday, May 19
7:00–9:00 pm
Fischer Greenhouse

MASTER GARDENER DEMO GARDEN OPEN HOUSES THIS SPRING AND SUMMER! FREE

Join us for a guided walk through the native plant garden, the vegetable garden and the compost demonstration site. Master Gardeners will be available to answer your questions.
Wednesday, May 20
10:00 am–1:00 pm &
Thursday, July 16
6:00–8:00 pm
Extension Office

No refunds will be issued unless the workshop has been cancelled. You will be notified only in the event of cancellation. Please arrive on time. Doors will open ½ hour before the program begins, and remain unlocked until ½ hour after the program begins.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Daytime phone _____

Evening phone _____

Email _____

Check the workshops you wish to attend:

- Starting Vegetables and Flowers from Seed.....\$15
- Grow Your Own Food.....\$35
- BOTH** Starting Vegetables and Grow Your Own Food (Save \$5).....\$45
- Puzzled by Pruning.....\$18
- Weed Identification and Treatment.....\$15
- Renovate Your Home Landscape One Step at a Time.....\$30
- I Hate My Lawn.....\$30
- It's the Berries.....\$15
- Rain + Garden = Rain Garden.....\$18
- Native Plants and Shrubs.....\$15
- Backyard Composting.....\$15
- Container Gardens.....\$25
- Master Gardener Demo Garden Open Houses this Spring and Summer!..... FREE

Please remit a separate check made payable to "NCCMG" for each workshop to:

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- Please add my name and address to the Home Lawn and Garden mailing list. (Your personal information will not be shared with any entities outside the Cooperative Extension.)

How did you hear about the Master Gardener workshops?

- Master Gardener mailing
- Library (which one?) _____
- Retail establishment (which one?) _____
- newspaper
- radio
- other (please list) _____

*Classes are held at three locations. Please note the location of your workshop when you register. (Cooperative Extension/Fischer Greenhouse/Worrirow Hall)



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