

Before you tackle the yard this spring, attend...



# Natural Yard Care Classes

## *Mark your calendars!*

Learn how easy and rewarding natural yard care can be. The workshops are fun, informative, and **FREE!** Natural gardening resources provided.

### Natural Garden Design

*Tuesday, May 12th, 7-9 p.m.*

Designer Jil Stenn will present the basics of creating or renovating gardens using principles of sustainability in the home landscape. Emphasis will be on the fundamentals of designing a healthy garden with a mind to using resources and time wisely. Take home ideas and inspiration for your own natural garden!

### Native Plants for Sun and Shade

*Tuesday, May 19th, 7-9 p.m.*

Washington's native plants are ideal for your garden's sunny hot spots, shady places, moist areas and sloping ground. Horticulturist Peggy Campbell will share their color, beauty and texture. Get tips for giving plants a good start and letting them reduce your summer maintenance.

### Drought Tolerant Beauties for Sunny Spots

*Thursday, May 28th, 7-9 p.m.*

Switch to growing sun-loving plants that tough it out with little water. Peggy Campbell will teach you how to choose the right plants and give them a good start. Take home ideas for beautiful, trouble-free plants that thrive naturally without irrigation – saving your time, money, and resources.

### Dazzling Dry Shade Gardening

*Tuesday, June 2nd, 7-9 p.m.*

Got dry shade? Horticulturist Peggy Campbell has the plants for you. Brighten shady spots with plants that grow in dry shade - under trees, eaves, and in areas you are tired of watering. Learn easy steps to give these plants a good start. Gather simple solutions for bare areas, lawn alternatives, and seasonal color.

### Smart Watering

*Tuesday, June 9th, 7-9 p.m.*

Watering expert Howard Stenn from Stenn Design presents a session brimming with excellent suggestions about how to use less water in your yard and garden. In this presentation, you'll learn tips about different watering methods, irrigation, and mulching.

### Natural Weed Control

*Tuesday, June 16th, 7-9 p.m.*

Weeds, weeds, weeds—the bane of a gardener's existence. Learn new strategies to take control of your weed problems from EJ Hook, and hear secrets about natural care—all collected during EJ's years of work at the Woodland Park Zoo.



# Meet the Speakers

**Jill Stenn** is a Landscape Designer with over 20 years experience in the Northwest creating beautiful, sustainable landscapes that provide year round interest for both the public and private sectors. She maintains a diverse six acre farm on Vashon Island and volunteers her time to provide hands-on experience in edible gardening programs to kids at her local schools.



**Peggy Campbell** is a professional horticulturist with 25 years of experience sharing fun, practical tips for Northwest gardens. She has designed her garden for low-maintenance beauty with something in bloom every day of the year. Peggy will help you choose striking plants that will thrive in your yard's soil and sun conditions.

**Howard Stenn** from Stenn Design is a horticulturist with a special interest in efficient irrigation. He has helped hundreds of property owners improve their watering systems and practices. Howard helped design the Bellevue Botanical Garden's Waterwise Garden and waters a large garden from a small well on Vashon Island.



**EJ Hook** has been in the landscape field for 25 years and is currently the Maintenance Operations Manager at the Woodland Park Zoo. EJ's real world experience from the ground up allows him to offer a unique perspective on landscape maintenance and management. Learn about how to have a naturally healthy, pesticide-free garden and hear professional secrets about natural care.

## Program Details (applies to all classes)

**Time:** 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Place:** Bellevue City Hall, Room 1E-108, 450 110th Avenue N.E.

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