Yum! Cherries and berries and sun-ripened fruit! Fruit trees are here now. Plant apples, pears, plums & peaches. Blueberries are available in sizes to plant as a shrub or for a pot on the deck. We have some unusual edibles and new varieties too. Some selections are limited and sell out quickly!

Saturday, March 9, 1:00 pm How to Care for Your Fruit Trees with Betsey Wittick

Keep your fruit trees healthy and productive by learning how and when to prune them. Betsey will demonstrate pruning techniques and discuss environmentally-safe products to treat common fruit tree diseases and pests.

Betsey Wittick is best known as a winemaker and viticulturist at Bainbridge Vineyards and as the owner of Laughing Crow Farm, whose veggie stand is a popular attraction at the Farmer's Market. This class is free, however, we recommend pre-registering as seating may be limited.

Wednesday, March 13, 1:00 pm Saturday, March 16, 1:00 pm Northwest Newcomers Jenni McCain, CPH

Class fee \$8

Wondering what to do or where to start? This class offers vital information for those new to gardening in the Pacific Northwest or simply new to gardening.

Start your veggie garden. We have hundreds of packets of vegetable, herb and flower seeds. You'll find plenty of organic and heirloom varieties and all of our seeds are GMO-free.

Potatoes, asparagus, and rhubarb arrive mid-February, followed by onions and veggie starts as the weather warms.



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Sunday, March 17, 1:00 pm SPECIAL GUEST: Brian MacWhorter, Butler Green Farms "Best from Your Own Backyard"

Brian MacWhorter of Butler Green Farms on Bainbridge answers your questions about growing organic vegetables and extending the growing season. We are pleased to carry a variety of organic veggie starts from Butler Green Farms for planting in your home garden. This class is free, however, we recommend pre-registering as seating may be limited.

Wednesday, March 20, 1:00 pm Saturday, March 23, 1:00 pm **The Living Screen** Jenni McCain, CPH

Class Fee \$8

There's more to screening plants than a laurel hedge. Learn how to create privacy with evergreen, deciduous and flowering shrubs that will offer year round interest.

Sunday, March 24, 1:00 pm How to Grow a Healthy Lawn with Nick Penovich, Soil Science Products

Lawn expert, Nick Penovich of Soil Science Products, discusses common lawn headaches, such as moss and poor drainage. Learn how weeds tell you which nutrients your lawn needs to grow a thick, healthy lawn. This class is free, however, we recommend pre-registering as seating may be limited.

Sunday, March 31, 1:00 pm Feed Our Feathered Friends! Andy Thomas, CPH and Lisa Schmidt

Class fee \$5

Get your little ones excited about caring for the birds by letting them create simple bird feeders. Children will make as many as three birdfeeders to hang at home. Class fee covers materials. Activity is expected to take less than 30 minutes to complete and is designed for our youngest guests. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Create an indoor jungle. Houseplants are arriving almost every week. We have tiny specimen to pop into a cup, tropicals that resemble small trees, and all sizes in-between. Plant up a succulent at our do-it-yourself Terrarium Bar. New planters feature sassy sayings or are shaped like kitties, llamas, pandas, and sharks!



Class fee \$15 per dish garden Create a miniature fairy garden. Class fee includes hands-on instruction, soil, starting materials, your choice of three starter plants, and fairy dust. Participants will receive 20% off the regular price of materials used for your fairy garden, valid only on the day of class. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

To register for a class, call Bainbridge Gardens: 206-842-5888 or you may register in person. Preregistration is recommended for all classes. Tuition or material fees are stated in the class description. Please check in at the main desk on day of class.







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Color and fragrance are everywhere. Winter bloomers including sarcococca and witch hazel bring their sweet perfume. Flowering spring color is arriving every week. Soft pretty colors welcome spring to your home with new gifts, candles, and tabletop patterns. Fun and funky garden art is on its way, as the days grow lighter and longer. We are thrilled to present guest speakers on raising mason bees, caring for your fruit trees, and starting your veggie garden. Join us for our family activities -we'll be making birdfeeders, bee houses,

and fairy gardens. beekeeper Charles Schafer discusses the _earn how mason bees can help pollinate the world of Certified Professional Horticulturist and and explore honey bee hive and show how to raise your spring garden. Bainbridge Island March 2 & 3 world of bees. Charles will share the to join us, 'Bee" sure mason bees in your own backyard. current challenges affecting bees basics of starting and managing a Sunday, March 3, 1:00 pm with Charles Schafer, CPH bees! Charles also will address the The Buzz on Bees to the home gardener. and what it means and Bainbridge Island author, Lynn Brunelle, "Turn This Book Into a Beehive" for a hands-on, bee-friendly family activity with Lynn Brunelle, author of attract mason bees and learn more Saturday, March 2, 1:00 pm Join Emmy-award winning writer about these non-aggressive Bee Smart, Bee Cool! You'll make a habitat to **Mason Bee House** Make Your Own super pollinators. nesting material and cocoons you started! bee houses We have to get are free, however pre-registering as Both bee classes class space may we recommend be limited.