



Adult Special Interest

Nature/Gardening One-Day Workshops

Workshops below are held at the Oak Park Conservatory (615 Garfield) in the Elvira Rubinstein classroom or the Operation area. Please register at least 5 days prior to class to facilitate the ordering of supplies. Classes will be cancelled if the minimum enrollment is not met 3 days prior to the starting date of the class.

Container Workshop

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Back by popular demand! Deborah Cullen, Container Nanny, will offer creative design and plant combinations to spark up your containers. You will receive planting, care and maintenance tips that will keep your containers beautiful all summer. Go home with a fully planted, square green planter for your balcony or patio. Plants will be available for full sun or partial shade. Materials cost is included in fee.

Location: Oak Park Conservatory

Instructor: Deborah Cullen, Master Gardener

Sa, May 16 \$38/\$55

10am-Noon #641010-01

Min 6/Max 15

Hanging Basket Workshop

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Create your own moss-lined, 14 inch, wire hanging basket using annuals and tender perennials grown at the conservatory. As you line and plant your basket, tips on watering, feeding, pinching and general care will be given as well as ideas on design and plant combinations. The materials cost is included in the fee.

Location: Oak Park Conservatory

Instructor: Deborah Cullen, Master Gardener

Sa, May 23 \$38/\$55

10am-Noon #641055-01

Min 6/Max 15

Build A Birdhouse!

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This workshop will instruct children, with help from a parent, how to assemble a birdhouse kit of their very own. Kits will be available for a variety of birds and are made from recycled cedar planks from our recent greenhouse renovation project. Kits are pre-cut and pre-drilled, so only a few screws and nails will be necessary to create a fully functional bird habitat for your backyard. Participants will be able to take home a recycled piece of our historic conservatory greenhouse, or they can add a primer coat for painting and decorating the following week (class below).

Location: Oak Park Conservatory

Su, Jun 21

\$15/\$27

10am - Noon

#311124-01

Min 8/Max 12

Paint A Birdhouse!

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Now that you have built your own birdhouse, how about painting it to be the fanciest house in you neighborhood. Well-known, local artist, Steve Fisher, will guide participants through the process of painting and weatherproofing a birdhouse. Tap into Steve's creative genius as displayed on the walls of the Buzz Café and take home a finished house that was made the week before or one that can be purchased at the class for \$15 each.

Location: Oak Park Conservatory

Su, Jun 28

\$15/\$27

10am-Noon

#311124-02

Min 8/Max 12

Take Time FOR YOU

Ceramics: Raku Firing

Raku Firing & Ceramics Class

(Ages 16+)

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Experience the exciting firing technique of Raku! Originally developed in Japan but brought back with an American twist to the U.S. in the 1970's raku is an engaging fast firing technique that has been the defining catalyst for many ceramic artists. A number of unique and visually amazing effects can be created through this fun process. Students will be creating their own work and participating in the firing process.

Location: Dole Center

W, 6-8pm

\$160/\$240

Jun 17 - Aug 5

#342450-05

of weeks: 8

Min 4/Max 6

LOTTERY!

Lottery Deadline is Noon, May 14.
Please read lottery info on page 81.

GO GREEN with Eco-Friendly Classes for Adults at Cheney Mansion

Composting for the Impatient Gardener

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Taking the mystery out of backyard composting, Cheney Mansion's head gardener shows how composting is easier than you ever thought. Learn the few simple steps to making compost and using it to improve your garden's soil. We'll also show how to put together a "worm composting" bin to compost kitchen scraps year round.

M, Jun 22 \$10/\$15

6:30-7:30pm #341185-01

Min 5/Max 15

Natural Branch Trellis

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Learn to make a rustic trellis for your garden out of tree branches. You may have seen these offered during past Plant Sales at the mansion. Materials and tools provided, but participants may bring their own cordless drill and hammer.

Register at least one week in advance to allow for collection of materials.

M, July 13 & 20

\$45/\$55 (per 2-session class)

6:30-8pm

#341185-02

Min 4/Max 8



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The two workshops above are approved for continuing education credit for University of Illinois Extension - Cook County Master Gardeners. Visit <http://web.extension.uiuc.edu/cook/>