

Continuing Education Opportunities for Norfolk Extension Master Gardeners

The following events are approved for 2017 recertification training. Programs with “\$” have a fee.

Many training opportunities are offered at Norfolk Botanical Garden. For information and to register, see <http://norfolkbotanicalgarden.org/events/categories/audience/adult-programs/> or call 441-5830 (members usually pay reduced fees).

Information on other opportunities for continuing education is invited! If you know of other possibilities not already on this list or the Norfolk VCE-MG events calendar, send details to Tom Bolt, tombolt@cox.net, for approval. Please – provide at least two weeks’ notice before the event so we can get it approved and publicized if appropriate.

Continuing Education that also applies toward Advanced Steward annual recertification is noted:

TS for Tree Stewards, **WS** for Water Stewards or **LS** for Land Care Stewards.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
May 2	9:30-11:30a	Invasive Plants Walk & Talk w Perry Lee West @ NBG; \$
May 5	9a-3p	“Starting Your Own Home Apothecary” w Mary K. Scott @ NBG – bring bag lunch; \$
May 6	11a	Butterfly Soc mtg w Carol Parternak “the Monarch Crusader” @ VB Law Enforcement Training Academy
May 9	1-3p	Bog Gardens w Alexandra Cantrell @ NBG; \$
May 9	6:30	“Small Space & Container Gardening” w Portsmouth MGs @ Churchland Library; email cyndiw@vt.edu to reserve a seat
May 10	9:30-11a	Fruiting Shrubs and Trees Walk & Talk w Pat Sisson @ NBG; \$
May 10	6:30-8:30p	Home Cleaning Products & Natural Pesticides w Lynette Swanson @ NBG; \$
May 11	9:30-11:30a	Native Plants Walk & Talk w Tom Houser @ NBG; \$
May 13	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
May 13	1p	Mother-Daughter Fairy Garden Workshop; \$ -- prepayment @ Eggleston required
May 16	9:30-11:30a	Carnivorous Plants container workshop w Alexandra Cantwell @ NBG; \$
May 16	6:30p	“Gardening for Hummingbirds” w Ann McDaniel for The Backyard Gardeners @ Chesapeake Central Library
May 18	1-3p	Fragrant Roses w Renee Frith @ NBG; \$
May 18	6:30p	Membership mtg program on Butterflies w Robert Kielbowicz @ NBG
May 20	9a-1p	Bonsai workshop w Bill & Katy McReynolds @ NBG; \$
May 20	1-3:30p	Sustainable Shorelines Wetlands Workshop @ Ernie Morgan Center; email Betsy elizabeth.brichter@norfolk.gov to register

May 22	7p	"Fighting Mosquitoes in a Pollinator Friendly Landscape" w VBMGs @ Meyera Oberndorf Library
May 23	9:30-11:30a	Gardening for Wildlife w Tom Houser @ NBG; \$
May 24	7p	Gardening for Hummingbirds w Kate Melhuish @ Pretlow Library
May 25	9:30-11:30a	Hummingbird container workshop w Danette Blevins @ NBG; \$
May 25	1-3p	"Seeds to Success: Collecting & Storing Seeds" w Julie Finn & Meredith Courtney @ NBG; \$
Jun 1	1-3p	"Botanical Business" w Renee Frith @ NBG; \$
Jun 2	9:30-11:30a	Hypertufa workshop w Vickie Pepper @ NBG; \$
Jun 2	2p	"Aphids, Scales and Whiteflies," All Bugs Good & Bad Webinar series; log in at https://extension.zoom.us/j/332261879
Jun 5	7p	"Permaculture" w VBMGs @ Meyera Oberndorf Library
Jun 10	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
Jun 10	1p	Gardening for Butterflies w NMGs @ Eggleston
Jun 11	9-11A	Walk & Talk Among the Weeds w VBMGs @ AREC; see registration on https://www.eventbrite.com/e/walk-and-talk-amongst-the-weeds-tickets-27442007784?aff=es2
Jun 13	9:30-11:30a	Butterfly Container Garden workshop w Linda Saunders @ NBG; \$
Jun 13	6:30	"Drought Tolerant Plants & Water Conservation Techniques" w Portsmouth MGs @ Churchland Library; email cyndiw@vt.edu to reserve a seat
Jun 20	6:30	Air Plants w Elizabeth Ryan for The Backyard Gardeners @ Chesapeake Central Library
Jun 21	10a	Membership mtg program on Bees w Pam Fisher @ Norview Community Center
Jun 27	6:30-8:30p	Terrarium Workshop w John Wharton @ NBG; \$
Jun 28	7p	"The Native Dune Garden" w NMG Dunies @ Pretlow Library
Jul 8	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
Jul 8	1p	"Waterwise Gardening" w Kate Melhuish @ Eggleston
Jul 11	1-3p	Pollinators in the Garden w Tom Houser @ NBG; \$
Jul 11	6:30	"Refresh Your Garden" w Portsmouth MGs @ Churchland Library; email cyndiw@vt.edu to reserve a seat

Jul 26	7p	“Creating a Monarch Waystation” w Mary Ann Nadler @ Pretlow Library
Aug 2	9-10a	“Herbs Then & Now” workshop w VBMGs @ Lynnhaven House Herb Garden, 4409 Wishart Rd; https://www.eventbrite.com/e/herbs-then-and-now-workshop-tickets-27102515353?aff=es2
Aug 3	6:30-8:30a	History & Horticulture of Beer w Alexandra Cantwell @ NBG; \$
Aug 8	9:30-11a	Crape Myrtle Walk & Talk w Mark Moreno @ NBG; \$
Aug 12	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
Aug 12	1p	Herb-Infused Vinegars w Mary Schaffer @ Eggleston
Aug 16	10a	Membership mtg program on Weeds w Dr. Jeff Derr @ Norview Community Center
Aug 23	7p	“The Greenhouse Effect – <i>and What It Means to You</i> ” w Mike DiStefano @ Pretlow Library
Sep 1	2p	“Meet Our Native Pollinators!” All Bugs Good & Bad Webinar series; log in at https://extension.zoom.us/j/332261879
Sep 9	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
Sep 9	1p	“Five Senses Gardening” w NMGs @ Eggleston
Sep 27	7p	“Espalier: How to Train a Tree” w Larry Passwaters @ Pretlow Library
Oct 14	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
Oct 14	1p	Container Herbs for the Holidays w NMGs @ Eggleston
Oct 25	7p	“All About Bulbs” w Gill Gillespie @ Pretlow Library

CT-T APPROVED FOR PREVIOUS MONTHS IN 2017 APPEAR BELOW

Jan 10	6:30p	Shrub Pruning garden talk w Portsmouth MGs @ Churchland Library; contact cyndiw@vt.edu or 757-393-5314 to reserve seat
Jan 11	1-3p	Tree Pruning workshop w Renee Frith @ NBG; \$ TS
Jan 12	9:30-10:30a	Gardening roundtable discussion w Pat Sissom @ NBG; \$
Jan 14	1p	“Microgreens: Growing a Superfood” w Norfolk MGs @ Eggleston Garden Center
Jan 16	8a-3p	Virginia Horticultural Foundation’s Home Gardener Day @ Founders Inn, \$
Jan 17	6:30-8:30p	Terrarium workshop w John Wharton @ NBG; \$

Jan 17	6:30p	“Green Gardening...A Resolution You Can Keep” w Patti McCambridge for The Backyard Gardeners @ Chesapeake Central Library
Jan 18	1-3p	Shrub Pruning workshop w Renee Frith @ NBG; \$
Jan 18	2-3:30p	“Sea Level Rise: An Intergovernmental Blueprint for Community Resiliency” @ ODU Webb Ctr WS
Jan 19	9:30-11:30a	“Gardening for Songbirds” w Tom Houser @ NBG; \$
Jan 19	1-3p	“Urban Horticulture” w Alexandra Cantwell @ NBG; \$
Jan 19	6:30p	Membership mtg program: tour of the hydroponics greenhouse w Mark Edzick @ Culinary Institute of VA, 2428 Almeda Ave
Jan 19	6:30p	Nuisance Wildlife Prevention class @ Crossroads Recreation Center; call 441-5834 to register
Jan 25	1-3p	Shrub Pruning workshop w Renee Frith @ NBG; \$
Jan 25	7p	“Starting from Seed” w Sue Distefano, and Norfolk MG Seed Swap @ Pretlow Library
Jan 30	9a-1p	“Sustainable Gardening at Home” w VBMGs @ Law Enforcement Training Academy; register on https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sustainable-gardening-at-home-for-area-master-gardeners-tickets-30352122014
Feb 7	6:30-8:30p	Worm Composting w Kandy Keith @ NBG; \$
Feb 8	1-3p	Winter Rose Pruning w Renee Frith @ NBG; \$
Feb 9	1p	“Microgreens: Growing a Superfood” w Norfolk MGs @ PrimePlus, Norfolk Fitness & Wellness Center
Feb 11	10a-12:30p	Growing Gourmet Mushrooms w David Carter @ NBG; \$
Feb 14	6:30p	“How to Start a Garden” w Portsmouth MGs @ Churchland Library; email cyndiw@vt.edu to reserve a seat
Feb 15	10a	Membership mtg program w Marie Butler @ Norview Community Center, 6380 Sewells Point Rd
Feb 15	9:30-11:30a	“Growing Orchids” w Joelle Miller @ NBG; \$
Feb 15	10-11a	“Fantastic Food from Familiar Flora” Garden Lecture @ NBG; \$
Feb 15	10a-1p	Rose Pruning workshop w Terra Firma & Yolima Carr @ The Hermitage; free – bring pruners & gloves
Feb 16	6:30p	Nuisance Wildlife Prevention class @ Fairlawn Recreation Center; call 441-5834 to register
Feb 21	6:30-8:30p	Home Cleaning Products & Natural Pesticides w Lynette Swanson @ NBG; \$
Feb 21	6:30p	“Jump Start Your Garden with Seeds” w Deb Henry for The Backyard

		Gardeners @ Chesapeake Central Library
Feb 22	7p	“What You Should be Planning for Spring” w Elizabeth Meska @ Pretlow Library
Feb 23	9:30-11a	Dead of Winter Walk w Les Parks @ NBG; \$
Feb 25	8:30a-1:45p	Tree Talk workshops w VBMG Tree Stewards @ AREC; preregistration required – go to www.eventbrite.com and search “Tree Talks 2017” TS
Feb 28	6:30-8:30p	Terrarium Workshop w John Wharton @ NBG; \$
Feb 28	6:30-8:30p	“Coffees and Teas – Horticulture & History” w Alexandra Cantwell @ NBG; \$
Mar 3	2p	“Protect Your Veggie Harvest from Hungry Insects!” All Bugs Good & Bad Webinar series; log in at https://extension.zoom.us/j/332261879
Mar 4	8a-2:30p	2017 Horticultural Extravaganza w York/Poquoson VCE @ Poquoson HS; \$ Registration deadline - 2/17/17. More info on https://www.yorkcounty.gov/Portals/0/Coop%20Ext/Hort.%20Extravaganza/HE%20Reg.pdf
Mar 4	9a-noon	Backyard Wildlife Habitat workshop w VBMGs @ AREC; register on https://www.eventbrite.com/e/creating-a-backyard-wildlife-habitat-tickets-27098913580?aff=es2
Mar 4	12:30-4p	Insects & Pollinators workshop w VBMGs @ AREC; register on https://www.eventbrite.com/e/insects-and-pollinators-workshop-tickets-27099538449?aff=es2
Mar 7	9:30-11:30a	“Urban Green Spaces” w Alexandra Cantrell @ NBG; \$
Mar 7-18	varies	Free 20-hour Green Infrastructure class @ ODU; register on https://www.eventbrite.com/e/green-infrastructure-training-for-hampton-roads-tickets-31167609158 WS
Mar 11	9a-2p	Parliamentary Institute workshop w Chesapeake Unit of Parliamentarians – “How to Run an Effective Meeting” @ Towne Bank 137 Mount Pleasant Rd, Chesapeake; \$
Mar 11	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
Mar 11	1p	“Native Plants: How Important are They?” w Eileen Balance & Diane Fleming @ Eggleston
Mar 12	2p	Tidewater Daylily Soc mtg @ NBG w hybridizer Bill Waldrop of Kennesaw Mountain Daylily Gardens
Mar 14	1-3:30p	4-week course “Best Plants for Hampton Roads” w Brian O’Neil begins @ NBG – meets Tuesday afternoons; \$

Mar 14	6:30p	“Seed Starting & Seed Swap” w Portsmouth MGs @ Churchland Library; email cyndiw@vt.edu to reserve a seat
Mar 16	1-3p	“Seeds to Success: And Sow it Begins” w Julie Finn & Meredith Courtney @ NBG; \$
Mar 16	6:30p	Membership mtg program on Bonsai w Randy McKinney @ NBG
Mar 16	6:30-8:30p	Terrarium Workshop w John Wharton @ NBG; \$
Mar 18	2p	Orchid Culture & Breeding program w speaker fm Eric Young Orchid Foundation in Jersey Isles (UK), part of Tidewater Orchid Soc Show & Sale @ NBG
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Mar 21	6:30p	“African Violets & You” w Pat Knight for The Backyard Gardeners @ Chesapeake Central Library
Mar 22	7p	“Wildlife in the Garden” w Jim Manion @ Pretlow Library
Mar 23	1-3p	Miniature Fairy Garden w Joelle Miller @ NBG; \$
Mar 24	9a	Crepe Myrtle Tree Pruning w Michael Nentwich @ @ 300 block 31 st St; email pcrawford27@cox.net
Mar 25	9a-3p	Advanced Regional Training “Legacy Gardens: What's Old is New Again,” hosted by Norfolk Master Gardeners @ Slover Library; \$
Mar 25	8a-3p	Gardening in the Northern Neck seminar w Rick Darke and Doug Tallamy @ White Stone VA; \$ details on http://www.nnmg.org/files/2017GNNRegistration.pdf
Mar 25	9:30a-3:30p	Holly Society meeting & programs @ Brett & Becky’s Bulbs, Gloucester; \$
Mar 25	10a-noon	Spring Composting & Seed Starting @ NBG; \$
Mar 27	7p	Vegetable Irrigation Methods w VBMGs @ Meyera Oberndorf Library
Mar 30	9:30	Coffee & Conversation – garden lecture w Mac Houfek @ NBG - CANCELLED
Apr 1	10a-noon	Rain Barrel workshop w Bea Hovey @ NBG; \$
Apr 5	9:30-11:30a	Spring Dig & Divide: Native Mountain Mint, Daisies, Asparagus, Stevia & More w Pat Sisson @ NBG; \$
Apr 8	9-10a	Make & Take Rain Barrel workshop w VBMGs @ VA Beach Farm Market, Dam Neck Rd; \$ register on http://vbm.org/register_events.html WS
Apr 8	1p	Square Foot Gardening w Tom West & Paul Ziegler @ Eggleston
Apr 11	6:30p	“Plants for Tidewater – Perennials & Annuals” w Portsmouth MGs @ Churchland Library; email cyndiw@vt.edu to reserve a seat
Apr 11	6:30-8:30p	Worm Composting w Kandy Keith @ NBG; \$
Apr 12	1-3p	Japanese Moss Gardens: Kokedama w Joelle Miller @ NBG; \$

Apr 13	9:30-11:30a	Azalea Pruning w Tom Houser @ NBG; \$
Apr 13	8:30a-noon	ODU Tour of Green Infrastructure Best Management Practices (BMPs) w Chad Peevy; rsvp to ljfox@vt.edu WS
Apr 13	1p	"Gardening for Hummingbirds" w Kate Melhuish @ PrimePlus
Apr 13	1-3p	"Seeds to Success: Secrets of Germination" w Julie Finn & Meredith Courtney @ NBG; \$
Apr 13	6:30-8:30p	Terrarium Workshop w John Wharton @ NBG; \$
Apr 22	2p	"Growing Herbs in the Tidewater Area" w Billie Parus @ FHC Herb Sale; call 441-2513 or email fhcgarden@cox.net to reserve seat
Apr 23	1p	"Straw Bale Gardening" w Alice Hinsch @ FHC Herb Sale; call 441-2513 or email fhcgarden@cox.net to reserve seat
Apr 23	2p	"Square Foot Gardening" w Tom West & Paul Ziegler @ FHC garden
Apr 18	9:30-11:30a	Intro to Rain Gardens w Alexandra Cantrell @ NBG; \$ WS
Apr 18	6:30p	"Cherries & Berries" w Doug Spencer for The Backyard Gardeners @ Chesapeake Central Library
Apr 19	9:30a	Membership mtg program "Top 20 Perennials" w Doug Spencer @ Slover Library
Apr 20	1-3p	Champion Trees w Renee Frith @ NBG; \$ TS
Apr 21	2-5p	"Making Herbal Remedies with Spring Flowers" w Mary K. Scott @ NBG; \$
Apr 26	7p	"Patio Water Features" w Bob Kelly @ Pretlow Library