

West Seattle NURSERY

A N D G A R D E N C E N T E R

26th Annual Spring Open House

Saturday, April 11, 2009

11 am to 3 pm

Spring Fever at West Seattle Nursery!

Come and see our nursery bursting with plants and color. Our 2009 Rose and Rhododendron collection is here and we have our largest and most beautiful selection of Japanese Maples ever! Get answers to your gardening questions from our knowledgeable staff. Enjoy complimentary espresso drinks and delicious appetizers.

11 am to 3 pm: A representative from the **Seattle Rose Society** will be on hand to dispense advice and answer any and all questions about roses.

We have, for your edification and enjoyment, put together a host of interesting, useful and fun gardening seminars. Please join us for:

Ingrid Nokes' **Vegetable Gardening in Containers** 11:15 am to 12:15pm

Connie Wurm's **Raising Chickens in the City** 12:30pm to 1:30pm

Jana Sorsen's **Edible Flowers** 1:45pm to 2:15pm

Mary Holdsworth's **Elegant Container Gardening** 2:30 to 3pm

West Seattle Nursery is proud to support the West Seattle Food Bank. Please bring donations of canned food with you to our Spring Open House on Saturday, April 11, 2009 and we'll make sure they make it to the Food Bank the following Monday.

Spring/Summer Class Schedule

Bonsai 101

This class will focus on basic Bonsai techniques. Plant selection, soil and containers will be discussed. The class is hands on and we'll have a selection of bonsai plants and containers available for purchase using your class discount. Soil and tools will be provided but you can bring your own if you wish.

Instructor: Helen Smelko, West Seattle Nursery Staff

Date & Time: April 26, 2009; 12pm to 2pm

Class Fee: \$25.00 (not including materials)

A Bird's Eye View

This is our first class geared towards younger gardeners. Kids will learn how to create a backyard wildlife habitat for our feathered friends including song birds and hummingbirds.

Instructor: Emily Bishton of Green Light Gardening

Date & Time: May 2, 2009, 11am-12:00pm

Class Fee: \$15.00 per kid & parent combo

Improving Your Curb Appeal

This class is geared towards folks who have existing mature landscaping that needs a makeover. Learn how to intersperse new color and texture within your existing plantings to revitalize your front yard garden space.

Instructor: Corinne Kennedy, West Seattle Nursery Staff

Date & Time: May 24, 2009; 2pm to 3pm

Class Fee: \$15.00

Colorful Containers

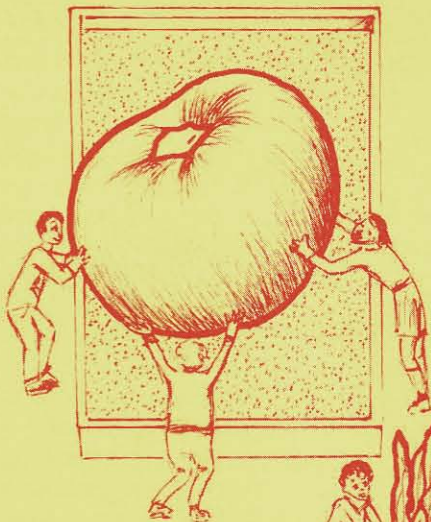
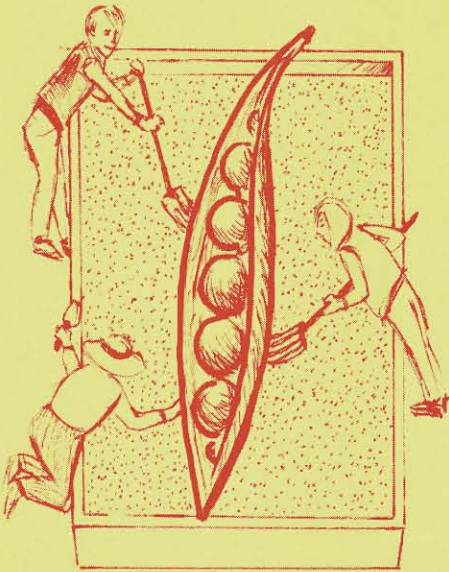
Container gardening at it's most fun! Learn how to use lush and brilliant annuals, perennials and evergreens to create container gardens guaranteed to make the most modest deck or patio luxurious, beautiful and inviting. Hands on. Bring your gloves!

Instructor: Mary Holdsworth, West Seattle Nursery Staff

Date & Time: June 6, 2009; 12am to 1pm

Class Fee: \$15.00

Please be advised that class space is limited and paid pre-registration for classes is required. Call us today at (206) 935-9276!





Our 23rd Annual Spring Open House
 Come Celebrate Spring With Us!
 Saturday, April 11, 2009
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Do It Yourself, Seattle!

We are talking about growing our own food. Anyone with a sunny back or front yard, or even a sunny patio, balcony or deck can grow a vegetable garden. In the ground or in containers, vegetables are easy and fun to grow. All you need is seeds, sunlight, soil and water.

In this time of economic uncertainty, we are getting many messages to reduce consumption and simplify our lives. Vegetable gardening with our families, friends and neighbors is a great place to start. Instead of our food traveling an average of 1,500 miles in a giant truck belching black clouds of diesel pollution all across the land, we'll just walk outside and pluck our dinner out of our back yards!

During World War II, First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt started the Victory Garden Movement planting cabbages, carrots, turnips, onions and tomatoes in a White House garden right on the President's lawn.

Nearly 20 million Americans followed Eleanor's example. They planted gardens in back yards, empty lots and even city rooftops. School children and teachers built gardens on their



playgrounds. Neighbors pooled their resources, planted different kinds of foods and formed cooperatives. By the end of the war more than 20 million households were providing 40% of the fruit and vegetables for the whole country.

Michael Pollan, food journalist and best selling author of "In Defense of Food" and "The Omnivore's Dilemma," holds Mrs. Roosevelt's Victory Garden endeavor up as a shining example of "stewardship of the land, of self-reliance and of making the most of local sunlight to feed one's family and community" in his "Open Letter to the Next President" published in The New York Times Magazine on October 9, 2008. In his letter, Pollan suggests that the next First Family create their own organic fruit and vegetable garden using several acres of prime, south facing White House lawn. Pollan points out the "eloquent statement" the First Family will make if "surplus produce from the South Lawn Victory Garden...[were to be] offered to regional food banks."

Here at West Seattle Nursery we hope the President heeds Mr. Pollan's advice. We also hope that our own constituents here at home know that we support any and all efforts you make to grow your own food. We are here with the seeds, starts, supplies, tools and expertise to help you make your gardening successful. We want to encourage and inspire you to garden not just a means to feed yourselves but as a way to enhance your family life, bond with your community and live economically, healthfully and sustainably. Together, we can do it ourselves.

Rhododendron



20% off any one Rhododendron with this coupon

Coupon valid 5/1/09 thru 5/31/09

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Japanese Maple



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Rose



20% off any one rose bush valued at 19.98 with this coupon

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