



Grow with us! Gardening Workshop Series

We are pleased to bring you a series of FREE workshops at our Jay Store to help you get your garden growing!



SEASON EXTENSION WITH AMY IVY

Tuesday, April 29 at 6pm

Amy Ivy, regional vegetable specialist with Cornell Cooperative Extension, will demonstrate and explain a variety of methods home and small scale vegetable gardeners can use to extend the growing season and protect their crops from weather extremes. Some of these methods will also protect crops from insect damage as well. The program will include a question and answer session relating to growing vegetables, as time allows.



HERB GARDENING WITH MEGHAN KIRKPATRICK

Thursday, May 15 at 6pm

Meghan Kirkpatrick - Meghan moved to Keene in April and is currently the General Manager and Gardener at the Bark Eater. Prior to moving, she was the manager of Tweefontein Herb Farm where she was fully immersed in growing herbs, making herbal products, and selling at farmer's markets in NYC. She has an endless passion for plants, both wild and cultivated, and has been actively studying herbs and making medicinal, body care and edible herbal products for over 5 years. She's excited to be a part of this great community and looks forward to sharing her passions with any and all that are interested!



CONTROLS FOR INSECTS & WEEDS WITH PAUL MORLEY

Thursday, June 19 at 6pm

Paul Morley has almost 30 years of experience in lawn and garden and is an avid gardener. He spent almost 25 years at an independent lawn and garden retailer in Albany, NY. During that time, he was responsible for training sales staff at eight stores on the correct timing and usage of pest controls. He also worked daily with customers on pest identification and control and was the "go to guy" on all lawn and garden questions. Paul joined Bonide in 2010 as a Territory Manager for Upstate New York and Vermont. One of his duties is training independent lawn and garden retailers on the responsible sales of Bonide controls including Integrated Pest Management (IPM) best practices. He has conducted numerous Bonide Dealer 6 hr training sessions, some with over 100 attendees, since joining Bonide. Paul lives outside Saratoga Springs NY on 5 acres of land with over 18 separate gardens on the property.



PERMACULTURE WITH MARIE DESPRES

Thursday, July 10 at 6pm

Environmental and wellness educator Marie Despres is a certified Permaculture Designer with training in Urban Sustainability. She enjoys applying permaculture's holistic approach and is committed to working with others to co-create happier lives and a healthier planet. Before relocating to the Adirondacks, she was a working member at Montview Neighborhood Farm, a human powered farm and edible forest garden in the Connecticut River Valley of Massachusetts. After completing her Permaculture training in 2008 with Dave Jacke, the author of Edible Forest Gardens she went on to become a worker owner at Pedal People a human and bicycle powered trash and recycling hauling service in Northampton, Ma. As a Pedal Person, Marie co-initiated the first residential composting program to over 500 households in the city. She currently resides in Keene where she is a recycled textile artisan and teaches herbalism workshops at The Yoga Tree.



BACKYARD COMPOSTING WITH BUNNY GOODWIN

Thursday, August 14 at 6pm

Bunny Goodwin, a Master Gardener Volunteer with Essex County Cooperative Extension, lives in Keene where she has been composting and vegetable gardening for 30 years. Since starting the award winning cafeteria composting program at Keene Central School in 1995, she has provided composting workshops to homeowners, community groups, and schools throughout Essex County.



SOIL PREP: FERTILIZER, COVER CROPS, RAISED BEDS WITH DANA FAST

Wednesday, September 10 at 6pm

Dana Fast was born in Poland and got her Masters Degree in chemistry during a time when women weren't supposed to be scientists. She worked in medical research in biochemistry until her retirement. Dana moved to the Adirondacks forty years ago and started her first garden. In 1994, she finished Master Gardener training, and although she learned a lot at the training, she learned even more through years of experience in gardening. Dana's mottos are "Gardening is an experimental science; Nothing is written in stone" and "Don't try to go against nature, because you'll lose anyway".



GROWING GARLIC IN THE NORTH COUNTRY WITH CHARMAINE FLYNN

Tuesday, September 23 at 6pm

Charmaine grew up in Morrisville and started gardening with her parents at the age of 4. She's been chemical-free gardening for over 30 plus years. She's been a high school math teacher for 29 years, and a Dean of Students for 4 years. Charmaine lives with her husband and pups on 58 acres in Lewis. She has a vegetable garden, with 19 raised beds.



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