# 2014 Spring Gardening Class Schedule

**All of J&L's Gardening Classes are Free to the Public.** Our classes are held in our Indoor Classroom. No pre-registration is required, but seating is sometimes limited. Please arrive early to get your best seating and to look through our handout materials. We have special coupons and discounts for those attending these classes, so bring a friend with you.

All the pruning classes cover the same topics, and last about 2 hours. Most of the rest of the classes are about 1 hour with a question and answer period afterwards. Feel free to come and go as your time permits.

## Pruning

**Saturdays - March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & April 5**

*All Pruning Classes start at 9:00am*

**Come Early, This is our Most Popular Class!**

**Pruning is an Art, not a Science.** Learn how to maximize tree health, promote better fruit production, and identify potential problems before they appear. Improper pruning can be just as bad as no pruning. If you learn the basics, you can start pruning your trees and shrubs with confidence. Your neighbors will be impressed, your plants will look great, and your spouse will like you better.

## Pesticides for the Yard - Safety First

**Fruits & Vegetables, Weeds & Lawns**

**Saturday - March 8 at 1:00pm**

Almost everyone uses some type of pesticide in, or around their homes and gardens. Some use a lot, but most people use them correctly, and according to label directions.

Controlling pests around the home and garden is seemingly a never-ending problem. Insects invade homes, contaminate stored food products, carry certain organisms that cause serious human and animal diseases, infest pets, and threaten fruit trees, ornamental plants, and vegetables. Weeds are always competing with ornamentals, vegetables, and grasses for space, nutrients, and water. Pesticides can help us live better by protecting our health, improving our landscapes, and keeping our living spaces clean. Yet, when used excessively or carelessly, they can pose a danger. You need to be as careful with pesticides as you are with your cleaning supplies and medicines.

Come learn the basics about common pests and pesticides.

## Gardening Basics - A to Z

**Saturday - March 29 at 1:00pm**

Learn what gardening terms mean and how they apply to you. Learn about frost dates and planting times. Learn about soil, the basic requirements, and how to improve the soil you have. Learn when to water, how to water, and how much water you need. Learn the basics about how to make gardening more fun and less frustrating.

## Perennial Flower ‘Favorites’

**Saturday - April 12 at 9:00am**

Take a quick trip through Perennial Flower Heaven. Macy Lindsay, from Skagit Gardens, will show you pictures of some of the ‘New and Upcoming’ perennial flowers, and some of the ‘new annual flowers’ as well. She will not have time to talk about taking care of them, she will just tease you with pictures of what they can look like in your yard. Take our ‘Maximizing Flower Production’ class for more info about growing and caring for flowers; both Annuals and Perennials.

## Using ‘Low-Water’ Plants

**Saturday - March 22 at 1:00pm**

*Landscaping your yard using ‘low-water’, or ‘dry-land’ plants is called Xeriscaping - not Zero-scaping*.

We live in a desert. Come and learn about great ‘low-water’ plants that you can use in your yard. “WOW” your neighbors with your landscape design.

‘Low-water’ plants can reduce water consumption and help create a low maintenance garden. Learn which plants might look great in your landscape design. We will show you several plants you can use around your home.

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Fairy Gardening
Saturday - April 5 at 1:00pm
Saturday - April 12 at 1:00pm
Find magic in miniatures. Learn how to create these fun, fanciful, small worlds in pots, or in your own front yard. You will learn what plants grow well in miniature forms, and what type of bed the Fairy Queen needs for a good night’s sleep. You may even learn a little about Fairy Dust.
This is a perfect class for both Parents and Grandparents. Bring your children with you and make ‘fairy stepping stones’ or ‘fairy fences’ to enhance your own fairy garden.

Growing Herbs in Your Garden
Saturday - April 12 at 4:00pm
Bring a beautiful diversity to your yard with a variety of culinary and medicinal herbs. They bring harmony and health to the garden. Their beauty, their fragrance, and their flowers enable them to be used in both flower and vegetable gardens. In addition, they can be harvested and used all summer, fall, and winter in your home.
Learn how to grow perennial and annual herbs both in the garden, and in containers on your porch, or in your kitchen window. Find out which herbs will be good roommates, and which ones will need their own room.
Learn what herbs are good companions to other plants in your vegetable and flower gardens.

Raised Bed and Box Gardening
Saturday - April 19 at 9:00am
Learn how to maximize vegetable production in small spaces by using some simple gardening techniques. Marvin Potter, Gard N Wise Company is a gardening expert, will talk about soil preparation, fertilizing, easy planting instructions, harvesting techniques, and many beneficial tips about maintaining your garden. You can get your garden through the hot summer weather, and even enjoy a bountiful harvest in the fall. It is an easy way to garden.

Organic Gardening
Saturday April 19 at 1:00pm
Come learn the basics of organic gardening such as how to improve the soil by adding organic matter and how to create a ‘refugia’ for natural insect control. The importance of cover crops, crop rotation, and weed control will also be discussed. Participants will be able to preview of copy of the newly published book “A Guide to Common Organic Gardening Questions” which was written by several USU extension agents, especially for Utah growing conditions.
Lots of people would like to grow their own organic garden, but they don’t have the time, space or knowledge to make it happen. They think an organic vegetable garden is a lot of hard work.
Shawn Olsen, from the USU Davis County Extension Office, will provide tips on how to manage an organic garden. He will tell you how to get the most out of your organic garden.

Pond Care
Saturday - April 19 at 4:00pm
Enjoy the sound of moving water in your yard. Learn the steps to create and maintain a water feature or pond.
A garden water feature can be as small as a 10 gallon bucket, or as large as a 3,000 gallon pond. Learn which plants are fun and easy to grow, and which plants to avoid.
Learn about algae and moss prevention and control.

Gardening in Containers
Saturday - April 26 at 1:00pm
Just because you live in an apartment, a condo, or in a townhouse, it doesn’t mean you can’t enjoy fresh vegetables from your garden. Earth Boxes, large Patio Containers, or even old, used Nursery Pots can all be a source of enjoyment as you start growing your own vegetables.
Note: You can use these same tips and advice to grow beautiful flower gardens in your containers, if vegetable gardening is not your thing.
You can have color and beautiful flowers even in small spaces on your decks and patios. You will learn all about Container Thrillers, Spillers, and Filler - and how to use them. We will show you ‘spiral gardening’ and how to make ‘pot towers’.

Designing Flower Gardens
Saturday - April 26 at 9:00am
Do you ever wonder why your neighbor’s flower gardens seem to bloom continuously throughout the summer and fall? Learn a few secrets for creating nutritious soil, and feeding your plants throughout the growing season. Learn how to mix and match annual and perennial flowers to maximize your blooming season.
Brandon West, a Temple Square Gardener, will give you a few pointers to help your garden be a neighborhood showplace all summer long.

Fall Gardening Classes - September and October.
Our Fall Class schedule is not set, so watch for more details later during the summer and fall for the exact class times.
‘Extending the Fall Harvest’
‘Preparing Plants for Winter’
‘Growing Herbs and Vegetables inside for the Winter’
‘Wildbird Tips and Suggestions’
‘Microgreens’