



MASTER GARDENER connection

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AND THE MASTER GARDENER FOUNDATION OF KING COUNTY

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Shorewood Farmers Market: A Grand Finale

...by Judy Broom, Master Gardener

Your neighborhood farmers market might display taller heaps of produce, or it may offer greater variety, but you can bet the veggies won't be any fresher than those offered at the Shorewood High School Culinary Arts Demonstration Garden. The veggies certainly won't be any more local! The annual end-of-school-year market is a cooperative effort of students and teachers and supported by Master Gardener volunteers at the youth education garden in North King County. The market features early spring veggies and perennial herbs grown on site, along with freshly made lunch fare prepared by budding kitchen professionals.

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A sign posted on classroom windows advertised the Shorewood event.



Shorewood High culinary students harvest herbs for sale at the demo garden's farmers market.

Photos credit MG Wendy Lance

Master Gardener Program Leadership Changes

...by the Program Leadership Team



On June 1, 2022, after 2 ½ years leading the WSU Extension Master Gardener Program in King County, Mary Watts began a new role as Master Gardener Program Coordinator for Snohomish County. Mary became the Program Coordinator for King County in late 2019, shortly before the COVID-19 pandemic began, and she led us through many unexpected and unprecedented challenges over the last two years. We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to Mary and wish her well in her new role.

The Program Leadership Team is currently managing day-to-day operations of the Master Gardener Program in King County while WSU Extension conducts a search for a new Program Coordinator. This team of volunteer leaders, with guidance from Statewide Program Leader Jennifer Marquis, will maintain “business as usual” functions to provide stability and continuity for the Program and for our volunteers during this interim period.

The Master Gardener Program Office location at the Center for Urban Horticulture remains closed to the public at this time, but the Program Leadership Team can be reached through the Program Office mailbox at king.mg@wsu.edu.

If you or someone you know would like to apply for the Program Coordinator position, the job description and application link can be found at https://wsu.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/en-US/WSU_Jobs/details/King-County-Master-Gardener-Coordinator_R-5763-1?q=R-5763.



2022 Master Gardener Foundation of King County Plant Sale & Continuing Education Opportunity

September 11, 2022 at Bellevue Botanical Garden 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Seeking Master Gardener volunteers to:

- Staff the sale
- Participate in an Ask-a-Master-Gardener clinic
- Donate potted plants to sell

For more information contact Linda Peterson at beepster7@hotmail.com





BDG Series 3 Workshops Begin in July

The WSU Extension Master Gardeners of King County continue their gardening workshops at Bellevue Demonstration Garden with more great presentations. All classes will be presented on Zoom and registration is required. Workshops continue on Saturdays, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. to mid-October. Topics in Series 3's 13 workshops (July – October) include drought-proofing your garden, saving seeds, great understory plants and more! Series 3 workshops will be recorded. There is a \$5 fee for each individual workshop; series subscriptions are offered at a discount. Registration is required for the series or individual classes. (There will be a limited number of financial need fee waivers available for individual classes.)

The third Series subscription and individual registrations are available now. The full schedule, registration information and the workshop descriptions are available at <https://mgfkc.org/education/bdg-workshops>. The fees help the WSU Extension Master Gardener Foundation support the activities of the WSU Master Gardener Program in King County.

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<https://extension.wsu.edu/king/garde>



Where can anyone find links to the most current newsletters, education events for the public, and the Foundation activities and recognitions?

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For **MG-only** information about Foundation policies and more clinic resources, log into the "Member Area."

Managing Heat Stress in Your Summer Garden

...by Bruce Bennett, Master Gardener

After last summer's record-setting temperatures in Western Washington, the summer of 2022 is not predicted to be quite as hot. Still, it could be hot enough to repeat some of the plant damage from last year and continue some of the same the problems with most types of needle- and broad-leaf evergreens through next summer. Now that our gardening neighborhood is forewarned, what actions can be taken to stop, or at least reduce, this summer's heat-initiated damage to our favorite garden plants and people?



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30 Bags of Soil Products Donated to Bellevue Demonstration Garden

...by Bruce Careidio, Master Gardener and Foundation Board Member

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Browse tip sheets about Puget Sound Gardening

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WHERE am I?

Find King County Master Gardener clinic and garden locations using the [MGFKC map](#)

Master Gardeners:

Courtney Nygaard and her partner Tia, a former Master Gardener, donated and delivered 30 bags of soil products, Saturday, June 4, 2022, to the Bellevue Demonstration Garden (BDG). Nygaard, who was recently deployed to Ukraine, is a Receiver/Day Time Stocker at the Issaquah Lowe's Hardware Store. Courtney purchased the slightly damaged soil products at an "extremely discounted price" and offered them as a donation to the BDG. Courtney and Tia delivered the bags to the BDG using their own SUVs. Under the supervision of Master Gardener Wendy Fawcett, an eager crew of volunteers unloaded and stored the shipment. Courtney says, "I ...love to support my community in any way I can, and I love the idea of the demonstration garden." Courtney is keeping an eye out for a second load of soil products to donate.

Questions About GivePulse?

If you have questions about GivePulse, you'll find links to information and instructions in an email from Program Coordinator Mary Watts on November 24 titled "GivePulse: Two Updates and our Top 5 Tips".



Elisabeth C. Miller Library Selection

Grow

Local horticulturalist and author, Riz Reyes, illuminates the superpowers of plants for young gardeners in his new book, *Grow*, published in March 2022. Filled with colorful illustrations by Sara Boccaccini Meadows, *Grow* features 15 familiar plants including carrots, daffodils and maple trees. Each section highlights a different plant with information about its care, life cycle, history and fun facts. Did you know scientists are currently working to discover whether a compound from the narcissus bulb could be used to treat cancer? Laura Blumhagen, Youth Collections and Outreach Librarian reviewed the book.

[Read more](#)

Continuing Education Opportunities

What Counts as CE?

Classes that will improve a volunteer's knowledge and skill base for performing work as a horticultural advisor and serving as a resource on issues of sustainable gardening for home gardeners.



Staying Smart! Education Opportunities

Master Gardeners can earn Continuing Education credit from a wide selection of online classes, webinars, and online workshops. Check out the offerings on

the MGF Education page: <https://www.mgfk.org/education>

Growing Groceries Classes

Growing Groceries classes are finished for the season. Please visit the [Growing Groceries](#) page for information and registration for all classes.

Bellevue Demonstration Garden Workshops

Workshops are Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Pre-registration is required. For information and details, please visit <https://www.mgfk.org/education/bdg-workshops>.

July 9: Drought Proof Your Garden, presented by Patrick Kennedy, Molbak's Garden & Home Consultant.

July 16: Basic Propagation, presented by Master Gardener and Master Composter Gordon Polson and Alison Johnson, President of Northwest Perennial Alliance, Master Pruner and Master Gardener.

July 23: Ornamental Grasses, presented by Trevor Cameron from Sunnyside Nursery.

July 30: Who Lives in Your Yard? presented by Penny Bolton, Master Gardener.

Bellevue Botanical Garden

BBGS members receive a 30% discount on most webinars, lectures and classes. More information at <https://bellevuebotanical.org/learn/?all-events>.

July 21: Moths: Welcome to the Night, a webinar presented by David Droppers.

WSU Master Gardener Advanced Education Conference

September 29 - October 1, 2022:

[WSU Master Gardener Advanced Education Conference](#),

at the Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake in Olympia, Washington. Registration opened May 1, 2022.



Events and Coming Attractions

MGFKC Board Meeting on Thursday, July 14, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. online Zoom meeting. Information and details at <http://www.mgfk.org/events/mgfk-meetings>.

Zoom Meeting - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88172076722>

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Sept. 28-Oct. 1, 2022
Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake
Olympia, Washington

Learn the latest in gardening techniques and discoveries, refresh your gardening know-how, and grow your own skills to help other gardeners be successful.

- Choose from over 30 classes taught by top-knotch instructors
- Earn CE credits
- Be inspired by keynote speaker Benjamin Vogt, prairie inspired garden design author
- Network with like-minded garden enthusiasts

**Registration Opens
May 1**

**Save \$50 by
registering by May 31!**

*BONUS: First 100 registrants
entered into a special drawing.*



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Contributing to The Connection

Do you have an event or CE opportunity to share? An article of interest to Master Gardeners? Deadline for announcements or article submissions is the 10th of the month prior to publication (ex: May 10 for the June edition). For more information or to submit items for consideration, please contact us at communicate@mgfkc.org. All published photos have the photographer's permission or are sourced from free-to-use sites.

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