

Gardening Classes

Winter-Spring 2021



Dormant Fruit Tree Pruning

Learn how to prune and tend fruit trees during the dormant season. There will be a 30-minute instruction period followed by 90 minutes of hands-on pruning time with assistance from leaders. Please bring your own gloves and pruning equipment if you have it. We will have some supplies to share if necessary. Instructors: BCO Leaders

Saturday, February 6 • 2-4 p.m.

This class is donation based. Proceeds support the Bloomington Community Gardening Program and the Bloomington Community Orchard. Register by 2/4 • 165206-A
Bloomington Community Orchard, 2120 S. Highland Ave.

Garden Tools 101

In gardening, knowing the right tool for the task is key. Using the proper tools in the correct way helps you find more success in your garden with less stress on the body. Learn about the tools that we keep around our gardens; some we will discuss include soil knives, stirrup hoes, hand pruners, spades and rakes. We will show you how and when to use them to yield the best results. Instructor: Marie Becker, Working Foreperson, City of Bloomington Landscaping

Wednesday, March 10 • 5:30-7 p.m.

\$10/in-city, \$12/non-city • Register by 3/9 • 165205-A
Allison-Jukebox Community Center, 351 S. Washington St.



TLC for Tools

Let's get ready for spring! Bring your hand pruners and we will get technical. We will disassemble, clean, grease, reassemble and sharpen hand pruners. All good tools need some winter TLC and we will show you how. If you don't have your own pair of pruners but would like to learn about tool TLC, we will have some extras that you can clean up for the Community Gardening Program. Instructor: Marie Becker, Working Foreperson, City of Bloomington Landscaping

Wednesday, March 24 • 5:30-7 p.m.

\$10/in-city, \$12/non-city • Register by 3/23 • 165204-A
Allison-Jukebox Community Center, 351 S. Washington St.

Gardening Success Starts with Soil Health

Learn techniques from soil health experts that will save you time and energy in the garden and help build the foundation for a garden that thrives. We will talk about the benefits of mulching, incorporating cover crops into your rotation, plant spacing, reducing soil disturbance, and building your soil microbiology. Instructors: Cara Bergschneider and Devin Brown

Sunday, April 25 • 1:30-3:30 p.m.

\$10/in-city, \$12/non-city • Register by 4/23 • 165207-A
Willie Streeter Community Gardens, 2120 S. Highland Ave.



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For more information on classes, contact Sarah Mullin at 812-349-3704 or communitygardens@bloomington.in.gov.

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