



Master Gardener Program

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

Resilient Gardening in Western Washington

22nd Annual Whatcom County Gardening Conference
Open to the Public

(5 hours of Continuing Education Credits for Certified Master Gardeners)



Thursday February 8, 2018

Bellingham Technical College Settlemyer Hall
Bellingham, WA

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<http://whatcom.wsu.edu/>

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Thursday, February 8, 2018

8:30am-9:15am **“How Gardening Will Save the World”**

Gail Langellotto Ph.D., Associate Professor of Horticulture at Oregon State University (OSU), is the principal investigator of the Garden Ecology Lab, and coordinates the statewide Extension Master Gardener Program.

9:30-10:30am **Session 1 (choose one option)**

- 1. Imagine Permaculture: Resilient Whole System Design Strategies**
Brian Kerkvliet, Inspiration Farm
 - 2. Apple Trees Caring and Cultivar Selection Cider Apples**
Travis Alexander, PhD student, WSU Mt Vernon Research Station
 - 3. Biodegradable Plastic Mulch for Vegetable Production-**
Shuresh Ghimire, Graduate Research Assistant, Dept. of Horticulture, WSU Mt. Vernon
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10:45- 11:45am **Session 2 (choose one option)**

- 1. Growing Food in Small Spaces & Raised Bed gardening**
Anza Muenchow, WSU Extension Island County
 - 2. What a Bee Wants: Managing your garden to mitigate threats to our native pollinators.**
Chris Looney, Entomologist WSDA
 - 3. Brown Marmorated Stink Bug: Why we care**
Bev Gerdman, Entomologist, WSU Mt Vernon Research Station
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Noon- 1pm **Lunch**

1:00-2:00pm **Session 3 (choose one option)**

- 1. Growing Storage Crops & Variety Selection**
Jenny Goforth, Skagit WSU Extension Educator
 - 2. Soil Sampling & Soil Test Interpretation**
Kyle Blair PhD, Soil Test Labs Inc.
 - 3. Community Garden Panel Discussion**
Representatives from City of Bellingham, Local Foodworks, Growing Alliances, Cordata Community Garden & Christ the King Foodbank Farm
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2:00-2:30pm **Social Half Hour, Visit Vendors, Raffle**

2:30-3:30pm **Session 4 (choose one option)**

- 1. Gardening with Youth**
Breanne Bartok, WSU Master Gardener & School Garden Educator
- 2. The Bridge Between the Garden & the Farm: A Focus on Potato Virus Y**
Chris Benedict, WSU Whatcom Extension Agricultural Agent
- 3. Biomulch Study & Compost tools-**
David Keller, WSU Whatcom Master Gardener

3:30-4:00pm **Closing Remarks, Raffle Winners!!**

2018 Resilient Gardening in Western Washington

Registration Form

Enrollment is limited to the first 150 people

Must register by January 31, 2018

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone number: () _____

E-mail: _____

_____ Registration verification requested by e-mail.

_____ Whatcom County Master Gardener

_____ Skagit County Master Gardener

_____ other County

_____ B.C. Master Gardener

_____ Park Personnel

_____ Other, please specify _____

Registration Fee:

_____ # attending @ \$40 each \$ _____

registration covers all materials, light breakfast, refreshments &
1 raffle ticket

Lunch Cost (\$14.00)..... \$ _____

Gluten Free Bread add \$1.50.....\$ _____

Total amount of enclosed check \$ _____

You may register online at: <http://whatcom.wsu.edu/>
Or pay in person by filing out this form and sending in payment

Make checks payable to WSU Whatcom County Extension. Please
mail registration form & payment by January 31, 2018 to:

**WSU Whatcom County Extension
Attention: Master Gardener Program
1000 N. Forest St, Suite 201
Bellingham, WA 98225**

LUNCH INFORMATION

Gourmet Sandwiches check box for selection

- Turkey & Havarti
Ham & Swiss
Roast Beef & Cheddar
Vegetarian

Lunch includes chips, cookie & Soda

Gluten Free add \$1.50

Lunch catered by BTC

\$14.00 per person

NOTE: Your lunch order cost **MUST** be included with
your registration fee.

OR

_____ I am bringing a sack lunch



*Bring your own mug to reduce
waste & receive a free raffle
ticket*

Raffle—tickets are \$1, local vendors have donated items.
More details at the event. Proceeds from this raffle
benefit our student scholarship fund.

Vendors - Plant Nurseries, Garden Art & more

QUESTIONS: Beth Chisholm at (360) 778-5811
for assistance. Must register by January 31, 2018.

You may also register online at:

<http://whatcom.wsu.edu/ch>

Open to the Public

we encourage you to invite friends to this
learning event.

Student Scholarships Available for \$20.00.

Contact Beth Chisholm at (360) 778-5811

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