



PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Green Spring Gardens

Spring 2017

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www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring

Saturday, May 20

SPRING GARDEN DAY THE BIG PLANT SALE

9 am-3 pm. More than 40 local garden vendors descend on Green Spring Gardens with beautiful and unusual plants to fill your spring gardening needs. Growers and Master Gardeners are on hand to help with plant selections and gardening advice. Friends of Green Spring members receive 10% off plants in Green Spring's Garden Gate Plant Shop. *SPONSORED BY FRIENDS OF GREEN SPRING.*



Saturday, April 8

IKEBANA FLOWER ARRANGING WORKSHOP

10 am-noon. (16-Adult) Ikebana is a Japanese art of flower arrangement. Learn its rich symbolism and fundamentals, and take home your own arrangement. Please register for program and supply fee. This is an official program of the National Cherry Blossom Festival.

\$38 for program Code: 290 286 5801
\$25 for supply fee Code: 290 286 5802



Saturday, April 1

JAPANESE PLUM WINE TASTING

4:30-6 pm. (21 yrs.+) Explore the fusion of liqueur and fruit that is umeshu or Japanese plum wine. Sample a range of these versatile liqueurs and learn about their place in Japanese culture, their health benefits and how to make your own. Served with delicious accompaniments. This is an official program of the National Cherry Blossom Festival. \$38/person. Code: 290 204 2701

Saturday, April 8

SEASONAL OPENING OF THE GARDEN GATE PLANT SHOP

9 am-4 pm. Celebrate spring with the seasonal opening of Green Spring's Garden Gate Plant Shop, which specializes in plants that do well in our local growing conditions and offers plants featured in Green Spring's gardens. Don't miss this chance to try something new in your own landscape! Join Friends of Green Spring (FROGS) and receive 10% off in the Garden Gate Plant Shop. Master Gardeners are available for consultation. Shop hours: Monday-Saturday 9 am-4 pm, Sunday noon-4 pm

Registration for spring programs begins January 31. Summer camp registration begins February 2.

Registration is ongoing for winter programs readvertised here.

Register at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes or call 703-642-5173.

Out-of-county registrants add \$2 for programs up to \$45; \$15 for programs \$46 and up.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Register online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes or call 703-642-5173.

Sunday, February 5 1:30-2:30 pm
WINTER LECTURE: RESCUING EDEN
 Garden historian **Caroline Seebohm** shares her new book which looks at rescuing numerous historic gardens from neglect and demolition. \$10/person. Code: 290 182 1901

Sunday, February 12 1:30-2:30 pm
WINTER LECTURE: THE PRESIDENTS' GARDENS
 Garden historian **Marta McDowell** shares the history of the White House grounds and reveals how the story of the garden is also the story of America. \$10/person. Code: 290 182 4501

Sunday, February 19 1:30-2:30 pm
WINTER LECTURE: TOP TEN PLANTS FOR LOCAL GARDENS
 Horticulturists **Karen Rexrode, Keith Tomlinson** of Meadowlark Gardens and **Judy Zatsick** of Green Spring Gardens reveal their top ten lists of garden beauties that are proven plants in this area. \$10/person. Code: 290 185 6501

Saturday, February 25 10-11:30 am
STARTING FROM SCRATCH WITH SEEDS
 Grow plants from seed and expand your garden. Green Spring horticulturist **Judy Zatsick** discusses potting mixes, containers, seed treatments, lighting, fertilization, watering, seed sources and timing. \$22/person. Code: 290 187 4201

Sunday, February 26 1:30-2:30 pm
WINTER LECTURE: COPING WITH DEER
 Garden expert **Ruth Clausen** shares beautiful shrubs, annuals and perennials that deer seldom browse. \$10/person. Code: 290 182 4601

Saturday, March 4 10-11 am
GARDEN DESIGN: LANDSCAPE REJUVENATION
 Your home landscape is overgrown and needs an upgrade. Horticulturist **Karen Rexrode** leads you through the fundamental principles of garden design to help you create a well-planned landscape. \$16/person. Code: 290 188 4201

Sunday, March 5 1:30-2:30 pm
WINTER LECTURE: AUTHENTIC GARDEN STYLE
 Because America is a comparatively young nation, it hasn't had much time to develop an "authentic," indigenous garden style. American gardeners have borrowed from other national gardening traditions for inspiration, creating gardens that bear little relationship to local American landscapes, history or our daily lives. **Claire Sawyers** shows us how to create gardens that are both deeply rooted in their surroundings and deeply satisfying. \$10/person. Code: 290 182 4401

Saturday, March 11 10-11:30 am
GREAT WOODY PLANTS
 Green Spring horticulturist **Brenda Skarphol** highlights flowering shrubs that grow well in our region. The program takes place both indoors and outdoors. \$18/person. Code: 290 184 5501

Sunday, March 12 1:30-2:30 pm
WINTER LECTURE: GLASSHOUSES & CONSERVATORIES
 Green Spring is completing its glasshouse renovations. Celebrate its renovations with refreshments and a talk on the history of greenhouses and conservatories by **Dean Norton**. \$10/person. Code: 290 182 2201

Saturday, March 25 10:30-11:30 am
CAN'T FAIL CONTAINERS
 Washington Gardener publisher and editor **Kathy Jentz** shares tips on growing beautiful ornamental and edible garden containers. Learn what types of soil to use, hear the pros and cons of different containers and get to know plants that perform well in our region. \$15/person. Code: 290 289 2901

Saturday, April 8 10:30 am-noon
ROCK GARDENS 101
 Green Spring Gardens is home to a showcase rock garden that is in its prime in spring. Horticulturist **Judy Zatsick** shows you the essential elements of rock gardens, both large and small, and explains how to create one of your own. Learn to make a xeric soil mix, select plants and bulbs that grow with minimal care and plant a hypertufa trough. \$18/person. Code: 290 287 4501

ADULT PROGRAMS

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Saturday, April 22 10:30 am-noon

SPRING-BLOOMING NATIVES

Virginia is glorious in spring when native perennials and wildflowers come into bloom. Join horticulturist **Brenda Skarphol** on a walk of the gardens to discuss native spring-bloomers for home gardens. Get recommendations for natives that will suit your garden growing conditions so you, too, can have the glory of a native Virginia spring in your own yard. Dress for the weather. \$18/person. Code: 290 281 4901

Saturday, April 22 10-11 am

NEW VS. CLASSIC PLANTS

Overwhelmed by how many plant choices there are at a nursery? Plantsman and author **David Culp** cuts through the hype and reduces the confusion with a clear look at what is new, what is unusual and what remains steadfast in the world of perennial plants. Leave with a solid list of plants and great ideas for tomorrow's perennial stars. \$22/person. Code: 290 287 4101

Sat., Apr. 29 and May 6 9:30 am-12:30 pm

LANDSCAPE FOR LIFE

This landscape planning series created by the U.S. Botanic Garden and the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center helps homeowners turn their landscapes into wholesome, sustainable spaces. The class, which meets twice, shows you how to improve your landscaping practices. Collect soil samples, plot a graphic analysis of your property, look at water conservation practices, create a plant list and learn to compost yard waste to feed your garden. From soil health to plant selection, you will have the knowledge to create a greener yard that is less work and helps the planet stay healthy. \$86/person. Code: 290 286 0301

Tuesday, May 16 7:30-8:30 pm

GABLE RHODODENDRON

Learn about a beautiful and rugged group of Rhododendrons developed by plant breeder Joe Gable. Local expert **Don Hyatt** shares the legacy of Joe Gable's work and introduces you to some fabulous Gable Rhodies that deserve a space in your spring garden. This lecture benefits the White Gardens in Falls Church, a developing Park Authority public garden. \$15/person. Code: 290 286 0601

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

Please register for both the program and the supply fee (if applicable).

Saturday, February 25 10-11:30 am

CRYSTALLIZED FLOWER WORKSHOP

Follow simple steps to crystallize edible blooms to use as beautiful and easy garnishes for desserts and other dishes. Take home your candied flowers along with decorating ideas and tips. The class meets at the Historic House. \$27/person. Code: 290 182 7501

Saturday, March 18 2:-3:30 pm

FLORAL DESIGN: A BREATH OF SPRING

(16-Adult) Chase away winter gray with a lovely spring flower arrangement to add color to your home. **Chuck Mason** leads you through the spring flower project for you to take home and teaches you how to handle cut bulbs in flower arrangements. \$38 for program Code: 290 109 1001
\$25 for supply fee Code: 290 109 1002

Saturday, March 25 9:30-11:00 am

KOKEDAMA STRING GARDENS WORKSHOP

(16-Adult) Learn the hot new trend in gardening: the Japanese art of Kokedama string gardens. Green Spring horticulturist and trend setter **Nancy Olney** leads you through crafting and planting these hanging moss globes that will wow your friends. Materials, plants, and care instructions included. \$35/person. Code: 290 201 5401

Saturday, May 6 10-11:30 am

TEACUP TOPIARIES

Create an all-season flowery centerpiece by combining our favorite things, flowers and teacups. We work with you to complete a beautiful teacup topiary to grace a table or mantle for years to come. It's a perfect gift for Mother's Day. All materials supplied, including fine china cup and saucer. Refreshments served. \$25/person. Code: 290 203 3601

Saturday, June 10 9:30-11 am

PRUNING BASICS WORKSHOP

Uncertain about the when and where to prune your shrubs or small trees? Join **Mary Olien** in this hands-on workshop as she covers the basics of tools, timing, safety and how your cut will affect your plant. Walk the gardens to look at actual plant specimens and their pruning needs. Dress for the weather. \$22/person. Code: 290 288 3601

GARDEN TALKS WITH MASTER GARDENERS

Friday, April 7 1:30-2:30 pm
HABITAT FOR NATIVE BEES
 Native bees are under threat from habitat loss, pesticides and climate change. Let Master Gardeners show you how to nurture bees in your garden by growing the variety of plants that support them. \$10/person. Code: 290 286 1101

Friday, April 21 1:30-2:30 pm
COVER THE GROUND
 Cannot grow or maintain a lawn? Have excessively wet or dry areas, slopes or deep shade? Let a ground cover do the work for you. Master Gardeners introduce you to ground covers that are great for problem areas. \$10/person. Code: 290 282 3801

Friday, May 5 1:30-2:30 pm
GARDENING FOR BIRDS
 Watching cardinals, bluebirds, wrens, sparrows and other beautiful birds is a great way to enjoy your garden. Master Gardeners teach you what plants you can grow to create habitat and food sources that will encourage winged beauties to visit your garden. \$10/person. Code: 290 281 4101

Friday, June 2 1:30-2:30 pm
MAKE YOUR SHADE SHINE
 Let Master Gardeners show you many of the wonderful plant possibilities for shade gardens. Learn how to add interest with color, pattern and texture to create that cool, soothing mid-summer retreat. \$10/person. Code: 290 287 6201

Friday, June 16 1:30-2:30 pm
BEST PERENNIAL VINES
 Elevate the beauty of your garden with non-invasive and native perennial vines. Vines bring attractive foliage and fragrant flowers to eye level and beyond. Master Gardeners teach you how to select a vine that will take the beauty of your garden to new heights. \$10/person. Code: 290 282 5101

Register for Green Spring Gardens' programs at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes or call 703-642-5173. Out-of-county registrants add \$2 for programs up to \$45.

2017 FAIRFAX COUNTY FARMERS MARKET SCHEDULE



WEDNESDAY

Mount Vernon/McCutcheon: Sherwood Library
8 am-noon; May 3-Dec.20

Oak Marr: Oak Marr Recreation Center
8 am-noon; May 3-Nov. 15

Wakefield: Wakefield Park
2-6 pm; May 3-Oct. 25

THURSDAY

Annandale: Mason District Park
8 am-noon; May 4-Nov. 15

Herndon: Old Town Herndon, 700 block of Lynn St.
8 am-12:30 pm; May 4-Nov. 9

Fairfax Government Center
3-7 pm; May 4-Oct. 25 (closed on June 8)

FRIDAY

McLean: Lewinsville Park
8 am-noon; May 5-Nov. 17 (closed on May 19)

Kingstowne: 5935 Kingstowne Towne Center
4-7 pm; May 5-Oct. 27

SATURDAY

Burke: VRE Parking Lot
8 am-noon; May 6-Dec. 23

Reston: Lake Anne Village Center
8 am-noon; May 6-Nov. 11 (closed on Sept. 23)

SUNDAY

Lorton: VRE Parking Lot
9 am-1 pm; May 7-Nov. 12

For more information, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets or call 703-642-0128.

Saturday, February 18 9 am-1 pm

ECOSAVVY SYMPOSIUM: CULTIVATING BIODIVERSITY

Plant and animal life biodiversity is critical to a healthy ecosystem. Learn how to create a home landscape that provides an oasis for birds, pollinators and other wildlife through the use of native plants. \$56/person. Code: 290 188 5501

GREEN SPRING GARDENS' GETAWAYS

Trips are canceled if the number of registrants is below the minimum. Trips may be canceled for inclement weather, and a full refund will be given. If the weather is questionable, please call 703-642-5173. Registrant cancelations received by the trip cancelation deadline will receive a full refund. For registrant cancelations received after the deadline, no refund will be given. Out-of-county registrants add \$15.

Monday, March 13 10 am-10 pm
Wednesday, March 15 8 am - 8 pm
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW GETAWAY

The 2017 PHS Philadelphia Flower Show celebrates the wonders of Holland. From windmills, wooden shoes and cheese, to bicycles, canals and vibrant tulip and flower fields, the largest flower show in the United States shares diverse stories of horticulture, innovative eco-design, and modern urban greening and sustainability efforts of the Netherlands at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. \$136/person includes motor coach and show admission. The trip cancelation deadline is Feb. 24.
March 13th code: 290 192 2501
March 15th code: 290 192 3601

Friday, April 28 8 am-5 pm
VIRGINIA GARDEN WEEK GETAWAY

Get away to Richmond for Virginia Garden Week. Enjoy a tour of the home and gardens of the Virginia Executive Mansion. We'll move on to historic Monument Avenue for a boxed lunch and a chance to view the gorgeous private homes and lovely landscapes of this historic avenue. This trip is walking-intensive and accessibility is mixed, so please call 703-642-5173 if you need accommodations. \$126/person includes motor coach, lunch and admission. The trip cancelation deadline is April 14. Code: 290 293 0401

Thursday, May 4 7 am-6 pm
CHARLOTTESVILLE PRIVATE GARDENS GETAWAY

Get away to Charlottesville to view private gardens in their spring glory. Visit the beautiful Waterperry Farm gardens featuring a 60-acre private pleasure garden of mixed perennials and woody plants. Enjoy a boxed lunch on the farm before moving on to garden writer Cole Burrell's woodland garden. Talk with the garden owners and find some inspiration for your own garden spaces. \$128/person includes motor coach, lunch and admission. The trip cancelation deadline is April 19. Code: 290 293 0301

Tuesday, May 23 7 am-7 pm
GARDEN GETAWAY: SPRINGTIME AT LONGWOOD

Immerse yourself in springtime splendor at Longwood Gardens, a DuPont estate in Pennsylvania. Enjoy formal plantings and fountains on the estate grounds and the grand conservatory, which houses vast collections of exotic plants and spectacular displays of lilies, orchids and hydrangeas. Lunch is on your own at the café of Longwood. \$115/person includes trip leaders, admission and motor coach. The trip cancelation deadline is May 9. Code: 290 290 3801

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON NATIVE PLANTS

Saturday, April 29 10 am-noon
GO NATIVE! COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

For adults and children ages 7 and up (children must be accompanied by a registered adult). Discover the importance of native plants to the survival of the native animals of Virginia. Learn what makes a plant invasive and why it should be removed. Connect with the Potomac Chapter of the Virginia Native Plant Society (VNPS) and Green Spring Gardens for a take-action project. Workshop participants get a discount on a native plant starter garden from VNPS. Good workshop for scouts, families, homeschools, or anyone who needs community service hours. Wear work clothes, gloves and sturdy shoes. \$8/person. Code: 290 203 9301

FINE ARTS CLASSES



Sat., April 15, 22, 29 & May 13 9:30 am-1 pm

PHOTOGRAPHY AS ZEN ART

(Adults) Enhance your photographic vision and produce more meaningful images using Green Spring Gardens as inspiration. This program, taught by **Tuan Pham**, incorporates several Zen creative practices with photography basics to enable you to find beauty wherever you are and capture images that reflect your true nature. Students must bring a digital camera, tripod and have a means of sending digital images. \$192/person for 4 classes. Code: 290 231 0901

Saturday, May 6 9:30 am-3:30 pm

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP:

WATERCOLOR IN ACTION

(Adults) Learn about mixing watercolors to create harmonious color combinations with the help of artist and instructor **Marni Maree**. Create color charts that are not only beautiful but teach you the attributes of color. This fun and practical workshop helps you to see color in a whole new way so you can mix them without fear! The supply list will be emailed to you prior to class. Bring a lunch. \$88/person. Code: 290 231 5901

Saturday, June 3 9:30 am-3:30 pm

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP:

BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR

(Adults) Explore botanical watercolor techniques through exercises that help you understand color, composition and improve brush control. Artist **Dawn Flores** helps you get an understanding of paper, paint, drawing and transfer techniques used in botanical art. Finish the day with an elegant botanical portrait. Basic drawing skills are helpful. The supply list will be emailed to you prior to class. Bring a lunch. \$88/person. Code: 290 231 6301

Sat., June 3, 10, 17 & 24 1:30-3:30 pm

BEGINNING ART JOURNALING WORKSHOP

(16-Adult) Gain artistic confidence and creativity with the help of art instructor **Tina McCoy**. Learn to use different media in the workshop exercises and projects as you build a folio of work. A list of supplies will be emailed. \$80/person for four classes. Code: 290 230 2701

Art Shows at Green Spring Gardens

THROUGH FEBRUARY 19

At the *Horticulture Center*:

Vienna Arts Society

Various media

FEBRUARY 24-APRIL 16

At the *Horticulture Center and Historic House*:

The National Capital Area

Chapter of the

Sumi-e Society of America

Asian brush painting

Reception on Sun., March 26, 1-3 pm

APRIL 18-JUNE 18

At the *Horticulture Center and Historic House*:

Potomac Valley

Watercolorists

Watercolor

Reception on Sun., April 23, 1-3 pm

Horticulture Center Hours

Monday-Saturday, 9 am-4:30 pm

Sunday, noon-4:30 pm

Historic House Hours

Wednesday-Sunday, noon-4:30 pm

YOGA FOR GARDENERS

Monday classes begin March 27 9:30-10:30 am

YOGA FOR GARDENERS

This class features a gentle introduction to the Vinyasa method helping participants increase the strength, flexibility and endurance necessary for gardening. Class held indoors. 11 classes.

\$121/person. Code: 290 226 2401

HISTORIC GREEN SPRING TEA PROGRAMS

Programs are by reservation only and require prepayment to Fairfax County Park Authority. A traditional English tea is included in each tea program, unless otherwise noted. Groups may call to reserve a private tour or program with a tea. **For reservations, please call Historic Green Spring at 703-941-7987, TTY 703-324-3988.**



Sunday, April 9 1-3 pm

TO WIT: THE HISTORY OF HUMOR

(Adults) Take an amusing tour through the ages to explore the history of humor and laughter. From the knee-slappers of Ancient Rome to political satire past and present, discover the cultural significance of humor and what comedy tells us about life and attitudes of the past. Reservations required. \$32/person.

Sunday, April 30 1-3 pm

A FEAST OF FLOWERS: LECTURE, TASTING AND TEA

(13-Adult) Edible flowers – fresh and cooked – add tasteful, healthful, and beautifully decorative dimensions to any dish, sweet or savory. Discover which flowers are edible and the surprising ways they can jazz up recipes. Sample a variety of blooms that run the gamut of the flavor spectrum! Reservations required. \$36 for the lecture, tasting & afternoon tea or \$18 for the lecture & tasting.

Sunday, May 14 1-3 pm

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE TEA

(13-Adult) Roses, like mothers, have been revered throughout history. Celebrate both as we reveal the fascinating story of the rose, its symbolism, and why we give roses to those we love. Sample delights of the culinary rose at the tea table and take home a fragrant favor bag. Reservations required. \$45/person.

Sunday, June 11 1-3 pm

TEA AT THE ROYAL COURT

(13-Adult) Female vocal ensemble *Seraphim* offers melodic glimpses into the lives of the ladies of King Henry VIII's court. Songs, dances and conversations shed entertaining light on life at the royal court, its central role in the musical culture of the day, and the king's own songwriting talent. Reservations required. \$45/person for the performance & afternoon tea or \$18 for performance only.

Thursdays, April 20, May 11 & 25, June 8 & 22 1-3 pm

GARDEN TOUR AND TEA

(13-Adult) Tour the glorious springtime demonstration gardens with a Master Gardener docent who inspires you with stories of Green Spring past and present. Afterwards, enjoy a traditional English afternoon tea. Reservations required. \$32/person.

Monday, May 8-Friday, May 12

VISITOR APPRECIATION WEEK AND NATIONAL PUBLIC GARDENS DAY

Stop by Green Spring Gardens May 8-12 for free gardening discussions, demonstrations or tours at 11 am and afternoon refreshments in honor of Visitor Appreciation Week and National Public Gardens Day (May 12). More information will be available at

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring.

FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES

Family-friendly workshops for kids (ages 5 and older) with registered adult(s)

Saturday, March 25 1-2:30 pm

WOMEN'S HISTORY TEA PARTY

Women have played an important role in the history of Green Spring Gardens - from women settlers, to a famous landscape architect, to women who currently design the gardens. Celebrate Women's History Month at Green Spring Gardens with a family tea party. Get a close look at the Historic House and some special gardens, which would not be here without important Green Spring women. \$15/person. Code: 290 202 8501

Saturday, April 1 10-11 am

ASIAN BRUSH PAINTING

Celebrate the blooming of the cherry trees and Japanese culture with Asian sumi-e brush painting for kids and parents. Learn about the materials and brush strokes used in this beautiful art style, and take home your own brush-painting masterpiece. Art materials provided. \$8/person. Code: 290 289 9201

Saturday, April 1 1-2 pm

POETRY IN THE GARDEN

Celebrate National Poetry Month surrounded by the beauty of nature. Walk the gardens to find plants that have inspired poets. Perhaps be inspired to write and share poems of your own! \$6/person. Code: 290 201 8801

KIDS' GARDEN CLUB

Tuesday, April 11 10:30 am-noon

LET'S GROW GARDEN CLUB

(6-12 yrs.) Kids can spend a spring-break morning with Green Spring gardeners. Get a behind the scenes look at what sorts of jobs professional gardeners do and tour our greenhouses. Help plant spring vegetables, start some flower seeds and help make the gardens look their spring best. Take flower seeds home for your own garden. Parents are encouraged to stay, though drop-off option is available with day camp paperwork. \$15/child. Code: 290 284 1101

SCOUT PROGRAMS

Saturday, March 25 10 am-noon

CADETTES: TREES NATURALIST BADGE

Trees are important to us all. Learn why as we examine the parts of a tree, visit some trees, get tree crafty and tend to a tree of your own. \$12/scout. Code: 290 274 5101

Saturday, April 29 10 am-noon

GO NATIVE! SCOUT WORKSHOP

(7-Adult) Discover the importance of native plants to the survival of Virginia's native animals. Learn what makes a plant invasive and why it should be removed. Connect with the Potomac Chapter of the Virginia Native Plant Society (VNPS) and Green Spring Gardens for your take-action project. Workshop participants get a discount on a native plant starter garden from VNPS. Wear work clothes, gloves and sturdy shoes. \$8/person. Code: 290 289 3201

Saturday, May 13 9-10 am

DAISIES: WATER DROP PATCH

Learn to observe the water cycle, build a rain gauge and discover how important water is in daily life. \$7/scout. Code: 290 279 1601

Saturday, May 13 10:30-11:30 am

BROWNIES: WATER DROP PATCH

Learn how to observe groundwater, simulate an aquifer and how to protect your local water ecosystem. \$7/scout. Code: 290 279 1701

Saturday, May 13 noon-1 pm

JUNIORS: WATER DROP PATCH

Learn about watersheds and storm water, participate in citizen science and share water knowledge with others. \$7/scout. Code: 290 279 1801

Saturday, May 13 2-4 pm

CADETTES: WATER DROP PATCH

Study climate change, impacts on water resources, explore careers in water and work with others to save water. \$12/person. Code: 290 279 1901

Saturday, June 3 10-11:30 am

DAISIES: FLOWER GARDEN JOURNEY

Learn how seeds grow, plant seeds and take some home for your garden. \$10/scout. Code: 290 274 6501

Saturday, June 3 1-3 pm

JUNIORS: GARDENER BADGE

Learn why gardens are important as we tour Green Spring Gardens. Become a designer, plant some seeds and take home a mini-garden of your own. \$12/scout. Code: 290 274 4501

GARDEN SPROUTS PLAYGROUP

First Monday of each month 10-11:30 am

(2-5 yrs.) Join our monthly Nature Playgroup. Your preschooler will enjoy nature-themed activities. A staff member is on hand to put out nature sensory bins, direct games and activities or lead a garden walk. Adult must accompany registered child. Register for each playgroup individually. \$6/child.

April 3	Topic: Spring is here	Code: 290 202 8701
May 1	Topic: Butterflies and Mother's Day	Code: 290 202 8702
June 5	Topic: All about bugs	Code: 290 202 8703

SUMMER 2017 CAMPS at GREEN SPRING GARDENS

NEW! Garden Sprout Summer Camp

Curious minds get to explore nature on "seek-and-find" walks, enjoy nature crafts, visit the veggie garden and learn about the world around them with the help of stories, games, puppets and songs. Different themes every day. Must be potty trained.

AGES 4-6 YRS.

6/19-6/23 9 am-noon \$195
Code: 290 220 3601

Living Wild: Animal Investigations Camp

See the world through the eyes of a wild animal! Learn the techniques animals use every day to find food, shelter and escape predators. Track and identify animals living at Green Spring. Learn about their different habitats and the vital roles they play in the circle of life through hikes, games, crafts and observation.

AGES 6-11 YRS.

6/26-6/30 9 am-3 pm \$259
Code: 290 222 4901

AGES 5-11 YRS.

7/5-7/7 9 am-1 pm \$155 (for 3 days)
Code: 290 222 5401

Eco Explorers Camp

Discover the wonders of nature in Virginia with a new topic each day: geology, stream and pond life, trees and flowers, insects and other animals. Become a botanist and biologist as we explore life cycles, water, forests and soil of Virginia.

AGES 6-11 YRS.

7/10-7/14 9 am-3 pm \$259
Code: 290 223 7201

All-American Girl: Living Dolls Camp

Pack up your favorite doll and experience the life of an American girl growing up in different eras in history. Bring these times to life with your doll through fun activities, crafts and themed games in a beautiful historic setting.

AGES 5-9 YRS. THE JOURNEY STARTS

7/24-7/28 9 am-1 pm \$195
Code: 290 224 8601

Arts al Fresco Camp

Let nature be your classroom as you experiment outdoors with different art media. Our colorful gardens, streams, ponds and cool woodlands provide creative inspiration.

AGES 7-13 YRS.

7/31-8/4 9 am-3 pm \$259
Code: 290 223 7401

AGES 5-10 YRS.

8/7-8/11 9 am-1 pm \$210
Code: 290 222 3901

Eco Explorers: World Journeys Camp

Travel across the globe with us as we discover new ecosystems of plants and animals--from tundra to rainforest, desert to ocean. This camp complements the 7/10-7/14 Eco Explorers camp but can also stand on its own.

AGES 5-11 YRS.

8/14-8/18 9 am-1 pm \$210
Code: 290 224 0301

USEFUL INFORMATION FOR CAMPERS

Camp registration begins February 2. Register at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes or call 703-642-5173 for assistance. Out-of-county registrants add \$15. For all camps: please bring snack, water bottle and lunch (except for Garden Sprouts Camp) daily. Be sure to download camp forms at

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/campforms



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If accommodations or alternative formats are needed, please call 703-324-8563 at least 10 working days before event. TTY 703-803-3354

