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Breathe New Life into Your Garden with Tips from Green Spring

Green Spring Gardens is offering two garden design programs the first weekend in November that offer tips on contrast, color and plant combinations.

On Saturday, November 5, 2016, adults can learn how to pair plants like a landscape designer using contrasting leaf textures and color intensity. University of Delaware professor emeritus Bob Lyons offers pragmatic examples of plant combinations that any gardener can use to create bold and beautiful plant vignettes. The cost for the program from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. is \$15 per person.

On Sunday, November 6, participants age 16 to adult will learn about designing with gorgeous ornamental grasses. These grasses are in their glory in the fall, and horticulturalist Brenda Skarphol will introduce you to some beautiful varieties you can incorporate into your garden. Skarphol will reveal plant combinations that showcase the form and color of ornamental grasses. Learn to plant and maintain these beauties for multi-season interest. This class takes place outdoors from 1:30 to 3 p.m. The cost is \$18 per person.

Green Spring Gardens is located at 4603 Green Spring Rd., Alexandria, Va. For more information, call 703-642-5173 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring/>.

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