



**Free
Gardening
Classes**

J&L Garden Center

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2017 Spring Gardening Class Schedule

All of J&L's Gardening Classes are Free to the Public. Our classes are held in our Indoor Classroom. No pre-registration is required, but seating is sometimes limited. Please arrive early to get your best seating and to look through our handout materials. We have special coupons and discounts for those attending these classes, so bring a friend with you.

All the pruning classes cover the same topics, and last about 2 hours. Most of the rest of the classes are about 1 hour with a question and answer period afterwards. Feel free to come and go as your time permits.



Pruning

Saturday - March 4, 11, 18

Classes start at 9:00am

Saturday March 25 class starts at 1pm

Pruning is an Art, not a Science.

Learn how to maximize tree health, promote better fruit production, and identify potential problems before they appear. Improper pruning can be just as bad as no pruning.

If you learn a few basics, you can start pruning your trees and shrubs with confidence. Your neighbors will be impressed, your plants will look great, and your spouse will appreciate your efforts.



Choose the Right Tree, and Put it in the Perfect Spot, in your Small Yard.

Saturday - March 4 at 1pm

Choosing the right tree, and knowing its needs, is important to help it reach its full potential. What type of soil do you have? How much space do you have? What type of care will it require?

These are just a few of the questions we will discuss.

Choose the right tree: Plant it correctly; Give it the right care; and you will have a tree to last a life time.

We will present ideas about many small-growing tree varieties; with an emphasis on those that require little maintenance to stay within your set boundaries.

You will learn techniques to help keep some 'old-favorites', already in your yard, more dwarf.



Succulent and 'Air' Gardens

Saturday - March 11 at 1pm

April 1 at 9am

Fun, Trendy, & Fresh would be a good description of this class.

Make some of your 'Pinterest' ideas come alive with succulents and air plants (tillandsias). Come and spend some time designing, and learning how to take care of these fun, trendy, and easy-to-care-for beauties.

We'll give you some new ideas about how to add the fresh appeal of plants to your rooms, with less watering.



Raised Bed Gardening

Saturday - March 18 at 1pm

Raised beds are not as hard to build or maintain as many people think. It is a quick and easy fix for many gardening problems. We will give you ideas about how to get the most out of your vegetable garden in your small spaces, and talk about the importance of soil mixes and proper fertilization.

We have some construction tips, and trellising ideas for your raised bed. Watering can be tricky. There are a few simple guidelines to follow, depending on the different seasons of gardening.

We will give you a few planting guidelines, and harvesting tips, so you can enjoy a bountiful harvest this summer and fall.

Growing vegetables in raised beds will make a big difference in the amount of produce you can harvest in your own back yard.



Fairy, Elf & Gnome Gardening - Miniature Gardens

Saturday - March 25 at 10am

See also Saturday - April 15 at 1pm

Find magic in miniatures. Learn how to create these fun, fanciful, small worlds in pots, or in your own front yard. You will learn what plants grow well in miniature forms, and what type of bed the Fairy Queen needs for a good night's sleep. You may even learn a little about Fairy Dust.

This is a perfect class for both Parents and Grandparents. Bring your children with you and make 'fairy clothes lines' or 'fairy fences' to enhance your own fairy garden.



Lawn Care

Saturday - April 1 at 12:30pm

Learn how to have the very best lawn in the neighborhood at a lower cost. This class will be presented by **Doug Washburn**. He is the owner of **Agronotec Seed Co**, a former Golf Course Superintendent, and has over 30 years of experience in lawn care. He will discuss fertilization, pest control, disease control, weed control, aeration, seedling, and how to have the 'green' without spending a lot of 'green'.

If you want to turn heads in your neighborhood don't miss this class. The information is free and the results are guaranteed to be worth hundreds.

**A
Beautiful Lawn
doesn't
Happen
by Itself**

**Mark
Your
Calendar**

Using 'Low-Water' Plants

Saturday - April 8 at 9am

Landscaping your yard using 'low-water', or 'dry-land' plants is called

Xeriscaping - not 'Zero-scaping'

We live in a desert. Come and learn about great 'low-water' plants that you can use in your yard. "WOW" your neighbors with your landscape design.

'Low-water' plants can reduce water consumption and help create a low maintenance garden. Learn which plants might look great in your landscape design. We will show you several plants you can use around your home.



Growing and Maintaining Berries

Saturday - April 8 at 1pm

Strawberries, Red Raspberries, Gooseberries, Blueberries, Grapes, Currants, Goji Berries, Elderberries, Black Raspberries, Golden Raspberries, Blackberries, Boysenberries. What do these all have in common? These are all berries that you can grow in your own home gardens. Come learn how to plant, maintain and harvest these wonderful garden delicacies. Learn a few tricks of the trade to maximize your harvest.



Fairy, Elf & Gnome Teacup Gardening

Hands on Miniature Gardening

Saturday - April 15 at 1pm

Enjoy an hour creating a fanciful garden for the fairies, elves and gnomes in your life.

We will be making a tiny garden in a teacup, or mug, that will make you smile every time you look at it.

Your teacup could be a fun 'Stand-Alone' piece, an 'Add-On' to your existing garden, or the beginning of a 'New-Feature' in your home or yard.

This class is perfect for parents and grandparents to enjoy with your children and grandchildren.



Designing Flower Gardens

Saturday - April 15 at 9am

Do you ever wonder why your neighbor's flower gardens seem to attract attention by their abundance of blossoms and constantly changing patterns and colors?

Learn how to mix and match annual and perennial flowers to maximize your blooming season.

Brandon West, a Temple Square Gardener, will share a few 'Tricks of the Trade' with you.



Growing Herbs in Your Garden

Saturday - April 22 at 9am

Bring a beautiful diversity to your yard with a variety of culinary and medicinal herbs. They bring harmony and health to the garden. Their beauty, their fragrance, and their flowers enable them to be used in both flower and vegetable gardens. In addition, they can be harvested and used all summer, fall, and winter in your home.

Learn how to grow perennial and annual herbs both in the



garden, and in containers on your porch, or in your kitchen window. Find out which herbs will be good roommates, and which ones will need their own room.

Learn what herbs are good companions to other plants in your vegetable and flower gardens.

Organic Gardens

Saturday - April 22 at 1pm

Come learn the basics of organic gardening, such as how to improve the soil by adding organic matter, and how to create a 'refugia' for natural insect control.

Lots of people would like to grow their own organic garden, but they need a little more information about how to make it happen. This class will give you ideas about what you need to do, to garden organically; with success. Learn how to get the most out of your organic garden.



Meet one of the Botanists from the USU Botanical Center

Saturday - April 29 at 1pm

JayDee Gunnell, one of the staff at the USU Botanical Center, will be here to talk about a great resource that is available for all gardening enthusiasts; young or old, novice, enthusiast, or master gardener.

The Utah State University Botanical Center comprises 100 acres of plant research and water-wise landscape demonstrations. It is open to the public and has quickly become one of the jewels of the Wasatch Front.

Their motto is, "Where Utah's Future Grows".

Some of the highlights of the property are:

- * 7 acre arboretum with over 400 different tree and shrub species
- * 1/2 acre ornamental grass garden with over 100 different varieties of grasses and iris
- * 1 acre demonstration fruit orchard with 20 different grape varieties, 40 apple varieties and 25 peach varieties
- * 1/2 acre vegetable and small fruit demonstration garden with over 70 raised garden boxes

The USU BC holds regular public classes ranging from gardening, family relationships, and youth activities. Check out their website for more details. <http://usubotanicalcenter.org/>.

Come and talk to JayDee about how this great resource can be of benefit to you, your family, and friends.



Gardening in Containers

Saturday - April 29 at 4pm

Just because you live in an apartment, a condo, or in a townhouse, it doesn't mean you can't enjoy fresh vegetables from your garden. Earth Boxes, large Patio Containers, or even old, used Nursery Pots can all be a source of enjoyment as you start growing your own vegetables.

Come learn a few tips and guidelines to help you have success with this fun and enjoyable endeavor.

Note: If vegetable gardening is not your thing, you can use these same tips and advice to grow beautiful flower gardens in your containers. You can have color and beautiful flowers even in small spaces on your decks and patios. You will learn all about Container Thrillers, Spillers, and Fillers - and how to use them.

