

Pruning: Tools and Techniques

with Joe Gibson

FEE: \$20.00

Saturday, October 24th, 9:30A - 11:30A

Pruning is one of the most essential of all maintenance practices for trees and shrubs. Proper pruning techniques are vital for healthy, vigorous growth in woody plants and can enhance their appearance and form while assuring structural integrity and lessening the incidence of disease.



Joe will cover all facets of basic pruning: routine evaluation and maintenance, directional pruning and plant response, shaping, thinning, wound management and dead wood removal, making proper cuts and using the right tool for the job. Most of the class will be spent outdoors (RAIN-or-SHINE!) in the exterior landscape of the Botanical Center where you will see techniques demonstrated, some positive and negative pruning outcomes, and have your questions answered by a pro.

Lecture, demonstration and handouts. Beginner/intermediate skill level. Please dress appropriately for the weather.

Joe Gibson is a landscape contractor and licensed arborist with more than thirty years experience. Joe has helped hundreds of gardeners in Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts bring their landscapes to life. He is a member of the Rhode Island Nursery and Landscape Association (RINLA), a certified Horticulturist and Forester and a URI Master Gardener as well as a tree steward for The Rhode Island Tree Council. Joe has served as Chair of the East Providence Beautification Commission since 2005, and is a substitute co-host for the popular "Garden Guys" radio show, which airs Sunday mornings at 7:00am on WHJJ 920AM.

Herbs for Flu, Winter Health and Immunity

with Michael Ford

FEE: \$25.00

Saturday, October 31st, 10:00A - 12:00P

Learn simple ways to use herbs, foods, and supplements to strengthen immunity, prevent colds, flus, and winter maladies. We'll discuss plants with antibacterial, antiviral and immune-enhancing effects, plus recipes you can make at home to keep you healthy through the winter months.



Lecture and handouts. Appropriate for all skill levels.

Michael Ford is the owner of Apollo Herbs, the RI-based herbal company that he founded in 1991. He has been teaching herb programs that blend scientific training with western herbal traditions, nutrition, and environmental awareness since 1993. Michael has a Bachelor of Science degree in Botany, Bachelor of Arts degrees in Classics and Biology, a Master of Science degree in Pharmacognosy/Natural Product Chemistry, and a Master of Arts degree in Education, all from the University of Rhode Island. Michael also studied Illustration at the Rhode Island School of Design. He brings over nineteen years of experience and professional training to his classes. www.apolloherbs.com

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Putting the Garden to Bed for the Winter

with *Lee Menard*

FEE: \$15.00

Saturday, October 31st, 1:00P - 2:30P

Get ready for spring in the fall by learning everything you'll need to do in your garden this year, to make it a success next year. Discussions will include tips on how to deal with frosts, clean-ups for veggie and flower gardens, how and when to plant bulbs, composting and even how to care for your garden tools. Lee will also discuss ways to prepare your trees and shrubs, roses, and lawns for winter and how to get them off to a great start in the spring. Details, details, details!



Lecture and (weather permitting...) in-garden demonstration. Appropriate for beginner gardening skill levels.

Lee Menard is a lifelong gardener and a retired teacher who taught art in the Burrillville school system for 35 years. She completed her Master Gardener training in 2007 and achieved "Hall of Fame" status in 2009 after volunteering over 1000 hours in various MG projects such as answering gardening questions on the "Hotline" and at on-the-road "Ask a Master Gardener" kiosk sites. Lee has also been an MG Poinsettia Trials team member and has helped with the URI Entomology Department's research efforts to find effective controls for Lily leaf beetles. Her home garden was featured on the 2009 "Touring with the Masters" statewide garden tour program.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- All classes will be held at the URI Outreach Center on the grounds of Roger Williams Park Botanical Center, 1000 Elmwood Ave., Providence, RI 02905
- Tuition is payable, in full upon registration. Please include all fees listed including any applicable materials fees.
- Your check will not be cashed until after you attend class.
- Credit card payments are NOT accepted.
- If you cancel your registration with written notice (hardcopy or email) within 72 hours of the start of class, you will receive a full refund. Cancellations received with less than 72 hours notice will forfeit the entire amount of their tuition. We are not responsible for Postal Service delivery delays.
- For safety reasons and with consideration for all program participants, we regret that children and babies cannot attend programs designed for adults.
- We reserve the right to cancel classes with insufficient enrollment. If we cancel a class, you will be notified immediately via email or telephone and will receive a full refund of your tuition.
- A few days before the start of each class, you will be emailed a confirmation of your registration along with driving and parking directions.
- For more information call 401-785-9450 Ext: 250, or email: jbouley@mail.uri.edu.

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