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Lecture Series at-a-Glance

Ditch the Fall Clean-up! October 3, 2021 2 PM via Zoom

Explore how doing away with a traditional fall cleanup greatly adds to a winter ecosystem, allowing insects and pollinators to find home and shelters in the cold season, as well as providing food and seeds for birds. Lecture by Claudia Thompson of Grow Native Massachusetts.

Winter Sowing November 7, 2021, 2 p.m., Library Patio

This program will focus on what can be sown in the winter for spring propagation, with an emphasis on native plants. This is especially critical for native plants, which require a winter to break dormancy and germinate before spring planting. Starter seed packs will be given to participants. Demonstration by Blue Stem Native.

Lessons from the Garden: Using Native Plants Successfully April 6th, 2022, 7 p.m., via Zoom

Claudia Thompson will discuss how integrating more native plants into our gardens and managed landscapes is today's model for being ecologically wise. This program takes an in-depth look at how to successfully garden with native plants in order to create landscapes that have genuine ecological value.

Friends with Benefits: Helping Native Insect Pollinators in a Residential Landscape

May 10, 2022, 6 p.m., Library Community Room

Pollinators need our help now more than ever, Plymouth County Entomologist Educator Blake Dinius will help give us the right knowledge about them so that we can make a difference! Mr. Dinius will cover topics like common pollinator identification; how we can modify our landscape practices to accommodate four our insect friends; and gardening tips to help support our native pollinators.



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How To Build A Rain Garden: A Hands-On Workshop May 18, 2022, 6:30 p.m. Library Community Room and Zoom (Hybrid)

Samantha Woods of the North and South Rivers Watershed Association will lead this hands-on interactive workshop where she will design a rain garden for the library! If you want to try to design one at the workshop for your own property, bring a sketch of your property with dimensions (in-person only). Free rain barrel will be given to one lucky attendee!

Saving Seeds August 2022, TBD

Blue Stem Natives return to help participants learn how to save seeds to either share or put out in the next growing season. There will also be a "seed swap" event after this meeting for anyone interested in exchanging seeds.

Identifying and Dealing with Invasive Plants September 2022, TBD

Lisey Good, founder of Wild Cohasset, will walk participants through identifying and dealing with invasive plants. Learning what to remove from the garden as well as what to save is challenging, and this program will discuss identification as well as removal strategies.

Caterpillar Lab--Pollinator Meet & Greet September 6, 2022, TBD

Working with The Caterpillar Lab, you'll have the opportunity to meet a wide variety of caterpillars and observe their behaviors. This all-ages program is an amazing opportunity to observe the very pollinators we hope to cultivate in our native plant gardens!



For information about native plant & pollinator resources, programs for kids and teens, and more, visit our webpage at https://bit.ly/DigInSTL





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