Safe and Sensible Lawn Care

Learn how to have a lovely, resilient, low-maintenance lawn without herbicides or pesticides. Dr Linda Gilkeson will show how to apply the principles of weed ecology to keep your lawn weed-free and use less water. Registration required.

Salmon Friendly Gardening New

Salmon are an integral part of life on the West Coast. Salmon swim thousands of kilometres from where they were hatched, to the ocean and back again. For many, part of this lifecycle is right in our back yards. Learn how to be a salmon friendly gardener. Registration required.

Richmond City Hall 16+yrs Apr 3..... Sa ... 1:00-2:30pm...... Free/1 sess... 11366

Seed Starting

Learn the basics on how to prepare the soil and start seeds. Chef Ian Lai covers the essentials for a healthy season. Participants take home two pots of germinated seed. Registration required.

Thompson Community Centre 16+yrs Apr 7 W 7:00-9:00pm Free/1 sess ... 11589

Tasty Trees – Home Grown Organic Fruit New

An introduction to organic fruit trees for home orchardist, whether your orchard is a spacious lot or a small balcony. Learn how to select, plant and manage small fruit trees to increase harvests and enhance beauty. Registration required.

Richmond City Hall 16+yrs Apr 4..... Su ... 12:00-1:30pm...... Free/1 sess... 11859

Waterwise Gardening

Find out how to reduce water use and still have a great looking garden. Proper watering techniques, mulching and native plant use will be taught. Dress for the weather as the class runs rain or shine. Registration required.

Terra Nova Rural Park Farm Centre 16+yrs May 1.... Sa ... 10:00-11:30am...... Free/1 sess... 11270 Jun 6.... Su ... 1:00-2:30pm...... Free/1 sess... 11271

Zero Mile Diet Garden

Learn how to plan your food garden to take advantage of high protein legumes and grains as well as multipurpose vegetables. Emphasis on year-round gardening. Chef lan Lai will talk about how to cook vegetables normally grown or stored throughout the winter and early spring. Registration required.

Steveston Community Centre 16+yrs Apr 10 ...Sa10:00am-12:00pm ..Free/1 sess .. 10645



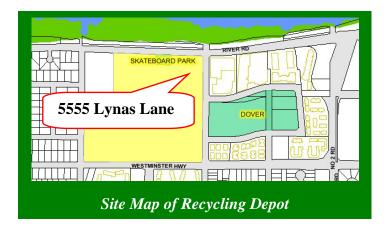
Pesticide Risk Reduction

The City's Pesticide Use Control Bylaw restricts the use of non-essential, cosmetic pesticides on outdoor vegetation on private residential property and City-owned land.

For information on pesticide risk reduction, visit www.richmond.ca/pesticides.

Pesticides Disposal

The City's Recycling Depot accepts consumer pesticides that have both the poisonous symbol (skull and crossbones) and a Pest Control Product (PCP) number.



Compost and Waterwise Demonstration Garden

The Compost
Demonstration
Garden and
Waterwise
Demonstration
Garden are located at
the Terra Nova Rural
Park. Composting
demonstration units
and waterwise
gardens are open for
viewing year-round
from dawn to dusk.



Directions to Terra Nova Rural Park Farm Centre





City of Richmond

6911 No. 3 Road, Richmond BC V6Y 2C1 Telephone 604-276-4000 www.richmond.ca

Environmental Programs Info Line 604-276-4010 Fax 604-233-3336 Email ESOutreach@richmond.ca



Environmental Sustainability Workshops Winter & Spring 2010



A series of workshops to look at ways to reduce pesticide use and create a more sustainable community are held from March to November. They are part of City's pesticide risk reduction, sustainability, waste reduction and water conservation initiatives.

The workshops are free, however, registration is required. Please see next page for registration information.

City of Richmond
Environmental Programs
www.richmond.ca

Registration Information

Registration starts November 24, 2009 and there are two ways to register:

- Over the internet at www.richmond.ca/register.
- 2. Over the telephone at 604-276-4300 and press "2" at the prompt (Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm).

If you register but cannot attend, please contact the registration call centre at 604-276-4300 to make your space available for someone else.

For more information on the workshops, email ESOutreach@richmond.ca or call 604-233-3318.

Winter and Spring Workshops

Backyard and Worm Composting

Whether you're a novice or an experienced compost creator, come learn how to effectively convert food and yard waste into organic soil conditioner. Registration required.

| Richmond City Hall | 16+yrs |
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| Mar 28Su 1:00-2:30pm Free/1 sess | 11364 |
| Sea Island Community Centre | 16+ yrs |
| Apr 17 Sa 10:00-11:30am Free/1 sess | 11325 |
| Thompson Community Centre | 16+yrs |
| May 2Su 1:00-2:30pm Free/1 sess | 11588 |
| West Richmond Community Centre | 16+yrs |
| May 29Sa 10:00-11:30am Free/1 sess | 11862 |



Do you know about the Compost Hotline?

If you would like information about how to compost, call the Compost Hotline at 604-736-2250

Beautiful Flower/Food Gardens without Pesticides

It is possible to have lovely gardens, without resorting to herbicides or other pesticides. Dr Linda Gilkeson will show how to prevent pest problems, make allies out of beneficial insects and grow healthy, disease resistant plants. Registration required.

| Terra Nova Rural Park Barn | 16+yrs |
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| Apr 24Sa12:30-2:15pm Fi | ree/1 sess 10730 |
| Steveston Community Centre | 16+yrs |
| Jun 5 Sa 9:00-10:45am Fi | ree/1 sess 10634 |

Container Gardening: As Local As It Gets New

Learn how to grow in containers on balconies using the basic techniques and a few simple materials; just add sun and water to turn your space in the sky into a mini-farm. Registration required.

| Richmond City Hall | 16+yrs |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Apr 4Su10:00-11:30amFree/1 sess | 11854 |

Edible Ornamentals New

Learn about ways to integrate herbs, flowers and vegetables in your garden. Create container gardens with rainbow chard, viola, campanula and roses. These species are beautiful and edible! Registration required.

| Richmond City Hall | 16+yrs |
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| Apr 11Su1:00-3:00pmFree/1 sess | 11367 |

Edible Wild New

Discover the hidden edible gems in the wild at Terra Noval Rural Park. Walk the grounds with Chef Ian Lai, harvesting shoots and roots to add to your spring repertoire. Dress for the weather as the class runs rain or shine. Registration required.

| Terra Nova Rural Park Farr | n Centre 16+ | -yrs |
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| Mar 27Sa10:00am-12:0 | 0pm Free/1 sess 113 | 323 |
| Mar 27Sa1:00-3:00pm. | Free/1 sess 11 | 324 |

Garden Wisdom, Companion Planting New

Learn about companion planting wisdom as part of your arsenal to co-exist with insects. Through plant selection and plant combinations, it is possible to reduce your garden pest population naturally. Registration required.

| Richmond City Hall | 16+yrs |
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| Mar 21Su1:00-3:00pmFree/1 sess | . 11363 |

Green Living – Easter Celebration New

Learn how to have a green Easter with some simple changes in lifestyle through waste reduction, material reuse, and water and energy conservation. Also calculate your 'ecological footprint'. Registration required.

Richmond City Hall 16+yrs Mar 20 .. Sa.... 10:00am-12:00pm.. Free/1 sess ... 11855

Green Living – Easy on You + Environment

Learn how some simple changes in lifestyles can go a long way to waste reduction, material reuse, and water and energy conservation. Also calculate your 'ecological footprint'. Registration required.

| Steveston Community Centre | 16+yrs |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Apr 17 Sa 1:00-3:00pm Free/1 s | ess11272 |
| South Arm Community Centre | 16+yrs |
| May 30 Su 10:00am-12:00pm Free/1 s | ess12159 |



Grow the Most Food in the Smallest Space New

Learn a variety of ways to fit the most vegetables and fruit into gardens of any size. Make the most of the space you have to produce food all year round, using easy, low maintenance methods that leave you lots of time to smell the roses. Registration required.

| Richmond City Hall | 16+yrs |
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| Apr 24 Sa 9:00-10:45am | Free/1 sess11852 |
| Sea Island Community Centre | 16+yrs |
| Jun 5 Sa 3:30-5:00pm | Free/1 sess11860 |

Organic Food Gardening

Learn how to select a site and to choose the right types of vegetables for a garden, the importance of organic fertilizers and how to manage heavy clay soils. Registration required.

South Arm Community Centre 16+yrs Apr 18 ... Su.... 10:00am-12:00pm.. Free/1 sess ... 12158

Organic Salad Green Vegetables Gardening

Come learn how salad greens can be grown anywhere and require the least amount of sunshine and soil depth of all the vegetables. Chef lan Lai shows how to add seeds, grains and alternatives proteins to your salads for a complete meal. Registration required.

 Cambie Community Centre
 16+yrs

 Jun 2W 7:00-9:00pmFree/1 sess... 10590

Organic Spring Vegetables Gardening

Spinach, lettuce and arugula thrive in the cool spring weather. Learn how to start these plants as well as sorrel, rhubarb and asparagus to ensure a continuous harvest throughout the season. Chef lan Lai shows how to use the vegetables in your cooking. Registration required.

West Richmond Community Centre 16+yrs
Apr 10....Sa ... 1:00-3:00pmFree/1 sess... 10821

Native Plants Garden New

Learn how to use native plants to handle difficult planting spots in your garden and create habitat and food sources for wildlife. It also reduces your workload, water consumption and chemical usage while creating a naturally beautiful landscape around your home. Registration required.

Richmond City Hall 16+yrs Apr 3......Sa ... 11:00am-12:30pm...Free/1 sess... 11365

Pest Management for Small Fruits

Learn to identify the major insect, mite and disease pests of the small fruits commonly grown in Richmond yards such as strawberry, blueberry, grape, and cane fruit. Discuss various tools and methods to manage these pests and weeds. Registration required.

Nature Park 16+yrs Apr 22....Th ... 6:30-9:00pmFree/1 sess... 12404

Pest Management for Tree Fruits

Learn to identify the major insect, mite and disease pests for the tree fruit and nuts commonly grown in Richmond yards such as apple, pear, plum, filbert and fig. Discuss various tools and methods to manage these pest and weeds. Registration required.

South Arm Community Centre 16+yrs Mar 13...Sa... 10:00am-12:00pm...Free/1 sess... 12157