



# LANGLEY DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

SUMMER  
2016

## GARDEN SMART WORKSHOPS 14+ YEARS

### Backyard Composting

Make black gold in your backyard. In a landfill, it can take up to 20 years for a banana peel to decompose. In a backyard composter, it can take as little as a few weeks. In this workshop learn what type of composting is a good fit for your needs, and how to quickly turn yard trimmings and fruit and vegetable scraps into rich organic fertilizer. This workshop is great for beginners as well as experienced compost users who want to troubleshoot their compost systems.

Free - registration required by May 18 and August 16, respectively

Wed, May 25 6:30 - 7:30pm  
Tue, Aug 23 6:30 - 7:30pm

### Training Fruit Trees to Produce More Fruit

This workshop will cover how fruit trees grow and how to direct new growth to produce bigger crops in future years. Discussion will include thinning of apples and pears, and the use of mesh bags as non-chemical barriers to prevent Codling Moth and Apple Maggot infestations of the fruit.

Free - registration required by May 26

Thu, Jun 2 6:30 - 8:00pm

### Intro to Hot Water Bath Canning

Participants will learn how easy and inexpensive it is to safely preserve fruits and vegetables at home.

Free - registration required by May 30

Mon, Jun 6 6:00 - 7:30pm

### Mosaic Tile Garden Art

Learn an easy method to upcycle broken pottery and tiles into a garden stepping stone that you can take home. Use supplied materials - or bring your own broken dishes, shells, stones, beads, jewelry, or other trinkets.

12+ years

Free - registration required by June 10

Sat, Jun 18 10:00am - 12:00pm

### All-Season Vegetable Gardening

On the west coast, you can harvest fresh vegetables from your garden 365 days a year. Learn the tricks of planning a winter vegetable garden, which vegetables are most successful at it, and receive mouth-watering recipes.

Free - registration required by June 13

Mon, Jun 20 6:30 - 8:00pm

### TRADITIONAL USES OF PLANTS

Ever wonder how first peoples of this area found food before farms and grocery stores? Learn from local Elder, Karen Gabriel, the many ways First Nations people use plants for food, medicine, dyes, and more. Discover new ways of appreciating our native plants.

Free - registration required by June 17

Sat, Jun 25 10:00am - 11:30pm

### Container Gardening for Kids

Do you have trouble getting your kids to eat their vegetables? Once they grow their own, you won't have that problem again. This hands-on workshop is intended for children ages 4 to 7 years, and requires caregiver participation.

Free - registration required by July 8

Sat, Jul 16 10:00am - 12:00pm

### Creating a Pollinators' Paradise

Learn all about local pollinators and discuss the role of pollinators in the local environment. Participants will also discover the principles and benefits of planting a pollinator garden.

Free - registration required by July 13

Wed, Jul 20 6:30 - 8:00pm

### Intro to Pressure Canning

Participants will learn how to safely preserve low-acid food at home and take the fear out of pressure canning.

Free - registration required by August 14

Thu, Aug 11 6:30 - 8:00pm





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## OPENING DAY: SEEDY SATURDAY CELEBRATION

Get ready for Mother's Day in a unique way, at the Langley Demonstration Garden!

- 1:45pm Guided tour of the Demonstration Garden. Learn about gardening for wildlife, shade, and dry areas as well as our heritage and native plant beds.
- 2:30pm Explore the world of seed saving, with local organic farmer and expert plant breeder David Catzel of Glorious Organics Co-operative.
- 3:00pm Learn tricks for container vegetable gardening. Bring your own special container to plant for Mother's Day (up to 2 gallon size), or take home one provided.
- 3:30pm Kid's activity

Throughout the afternoon bring your own saved (or leftover) seeds, and veggie plant starts to participate in a free exchange, alongside local experts and enthusiasts.

Get to know your seedy community resources, and support non-profits with your purchase of garden items like seedlings and young fruit trees. Baked goods available for purchase. Event takes place rain or shine, with plenty of covered space.

Sat, May 7 1:30 - 4:30pm

## PICNIC IN THE PARK

Bring a picnic and join us for two garden outings, including garden tours and fun activities for the whole family. Limited barbeque and snacks will be available by donation.

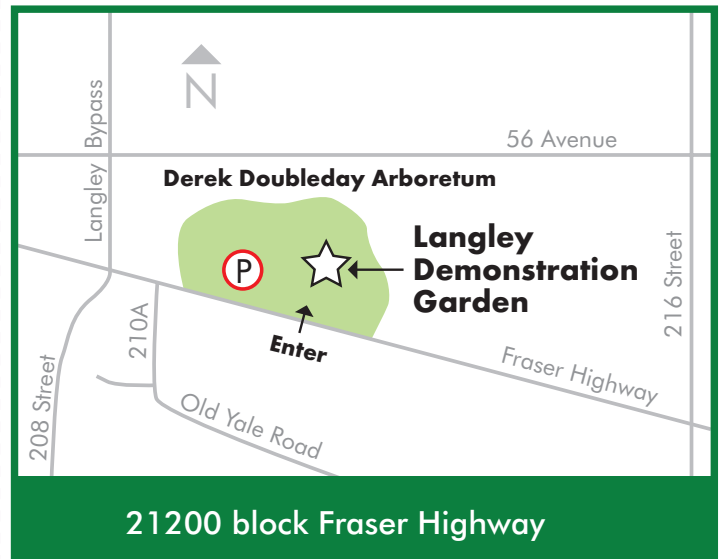
Tue, Jun 14 5:00 - 7:00pm

Mon, Jul 18 5:00 - 7:00pm

## BLACKBERRY BAKE-OFF & OPEN HOUSE

This popular annual tradition continues. Enter a blackberry creation in the bake-off for the chance to win local fame as Langley's best blackberry chef. Enjoy a locally-sourced barbeque lunch for just \$5, visit the kids' craft corner, and groove to live music. No registration necessary unless entering a culinary creation. Bake-off entries must be submitted by 12:15pm, and tasting starts at 12:45pm.

Thu, Aug 18 12:00 - 3:00pm



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