

Continuing education for horticulture professionals at the Center for Urban Horticulture and Washington Park Arboretum

AUTUMN 2004 OFFERINGS

Rehabilitative Pruning for Previously Mal-Pruned Plants Thursday, October 14

Bamboo for PNW Gardens

Monday, November 1

Conifer Identification

Monday, November 15

Identification and Management of Invasive Plants

Tuesday, November 30

Planting Banks and Steep Slopes

Monday, December 6





Rehabilitative Pruning for Previously Mal-Pruned Plants

Thursday, October 14, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. NHS Hall, Center for Urban Horticulture Fee \$35; Pre-registration required.

2 HOURS CPH AND CLT CERTIFICATION CREDITS ISA CEU CERTIFICATION CREDITS PENDING

Instructor: Cass Turnbull, ISA Certified Arborist

Bad pruning techniques such as inappropriate shearing, tree-topping and overthinning can harm otherwise healthy trees and shrubs. Cass Turnbull, founder of Plant Amnesty, is the northwest expert on correct pruning techniques. She will address how to avoid these problems to begin with by discussing what plants should NOT be sheared and then how to fix things when pruning goes awry. Specific techniques will be covered, including radical renovation. This is an advanced course for individuals with previous pruning experience. Co-sponsored with Washington State Nursery and Landscape Association.

Bamboo for PNW Gardens

Monday, November 1, 10 a.m. to noon

NHS Hall, Center for Urban Horticulture
Fee \$35; Pre-registration required.

2 HOURS CPH AND CLT CERTIFICATION CREDITS

Instructor: Erika Harris, owner of Clinton Inc.-Bamboo Growers

Bamboos add structure and texture to the landscape, but it is important to understand how to select and care for them -and control their spreading tendencies. Erika will discuss which bamboos are suited for various soils and/or light conditions. She'll also talk about how to site, plant and maintain them. Methods of control will be covered, including types of barriers and their proper installation. Co-sponsored with Washington State Nursery and Landscape Association.

Conifer Identification

Monday, November 15, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Graham Visitors Center, Washington Park Arboretum
Fee \$40; Pre-registration required.

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Instructor: Bess Bronstein, Horticulture Educator and ISA Certified Arborist

Many types of native and nonnative conifers grow well in the Pacific Northwest. Correct identification allows for proper pruning and diagnosis of plant problems. Bess Bronstein will discuss the general characteristics of the major conifer genera as well as the unique characteristics of commonly planted conifer species. Using slides as well as field identification or plant samples, Bess will also cover the common problems associated with each taxa. Finally, she will go over the best texts and resources available for conifer identification.

Identification & Management of Invasive Plants

Tuesday, November 30, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

NHS Hall, Center for Urban Horticulture

Fee \$40; Pre-registration required.

CREDITS PENDING FOR WSDA, WSNLA, AND ISA CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

Instructor: Dana Coggan, Education Specialist, WA State Noxious Weed Control Board

Nonnative, invasive weeds pose an increasing threat to our native ecosystems. Noxious weed infestations are the second leading cause of wildlife habitat loss and have a profound economic effect on agriculture, as well as affecting rangelands, waterways, parks, wildlife, property values and public health and safety. Seeing that many invasives began their rampage after escaping from people's backyards, it is important for landscapers to be educated. Dana Coggan will discuss the significance and extent of the problem in Washington state; she will then follow with a hands-on ID segment with samples of the most common problem invasives found in our region. She'll conclude with a discussion of how to identify and control potential problem plants in the garden.

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Planting Banks and Steep Slopes

Monday December 6, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. NHS Hall, Center for Urban Horticulture

Fee \$35; pre-registration required. 2 HOURS CPH AND CLT CERTIFICATION CREDITS

Instructor: Pat Roome, Horticulture Consultant and editor of Plant Source Magazine

Pat Roome, with over 30 years of hands-on horticulture experience, specializes in landslide prevention and remedial design. She will discuss the role and selection of plants for repair after slide damage and for preventing future erosion of surface soil on banks and hillsides. Discussion about plant selection will focus on aesthetics, erosion protection properties, pest and disease resistance, and requiring minimal water or maintenance.

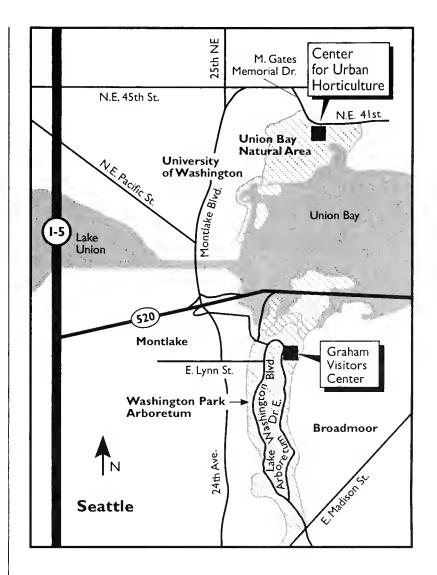
Plan Ahead: Seattle Public Utilities and CUH join together in January for another class on Stormwater Management. The class will be held at CUH and will include a tour of the new Merrill Hall stormwater collection/recycling system. Check the website www.urbanhort.org for more information.

Aspirin (salicylic acid) was shown to improve plant growth by triggering the plant's natural defenses against harmful bacteria, fungi and viruses. Other products marketed as growth promoters exhibited a much more variable response. In addition to compost, manure or seaweed, an aspirin spray (3 tablets in 4 gallons water, monthly) was suggested as a supplement for building healthy plants. http://www.ars.usda.gov/is/AR/archive/dec03/

The Green Gardening Program is sponsoring IPM workshops on October 28 and November 16. For more information, call 206-343-9759, ext. 106, or check the website: www.govlink.org/hazwaste/news/.

Hotline Offers Free Expert Advice for Landscape Pro's.

Got a pest or disease control question? The Natural Lawn and Garden Hotline offers free expert advice to landscape professionals and home gardeners in King County. Hotline operators address garden-related questions with environmentally-sound solutions. Current staff includes two experienced horticulturists, two professional landscapers, a nursery professional, an environmental educator and a trained Master Composter/Soil Builders. Phone 206-633-0224 M-F, 9-5, or email lawn&gardenhotline@seattletilth.org, voice mail any time.



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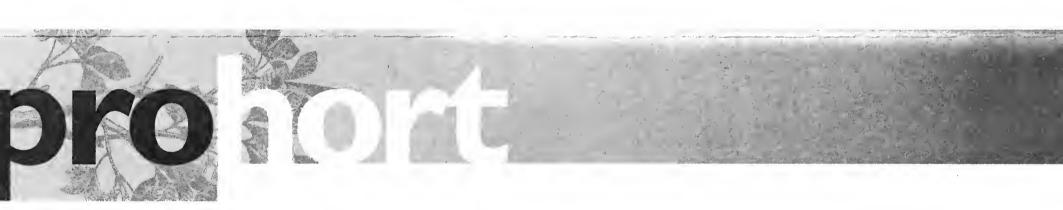
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