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August 2019 ♦ FREE Public Education Programs ♦ Arlington/Alexandria

Summer Blooms in the Garden

Saturday, August 3, 11 am – Noon, Glencarlyn Library Community Garden, 300 South Kensington Street, Arlington 22204. Tour the Glencarlyn Library Community Garden with an Extension Master Gardener (EMG) to view the plants in bloom and discuss their care. Learn about plants to fill in bloom gaps in your garden and to provide pollinator sustenance and beauty during the “dog days” of mid-summer.

Ask a Master Gardener at the Organic Vegetable Garden

Saturday, August 10, 11 am – Noon, Organic Vegetable Garden at Potomac Overlook Regional Park, 2845 Marcey Road, Arlington 22207. Have questions regarding growing vegetables in Northern Virginia? Come to the Organic Vegetable Garden in Potomac Overlook Regional Park to talk all things vegetable with an EMG.

Extension Master Gardener Help Desk operates year-round. We welcome your garden-related questions, including those related to plant and insect identification. The Help Desk is open 9am to Noon weekdays at the VCE office, 3308 S. Stafford St., Arlington 22206. Contact us at **703-228-6414** or mgarlalex@gmail.com, or drop by to speak with our Help Desk volunteers. It's best to call before you come to make sure we're available. Also check out the resources on our website, mgnv.org. You'll find Gardening Basics for Arlington & Alexandria, VA listing our hardiness zone and frost dates, a list of problem plants and better alternatives, and an extensive compilation of Tried and True Native Plants for the Mid-Atlantic Area, complete with great color pictures and descriptions. Our schedule of gardening programs is posted on this website, so be sure to check it often!

2019 Arlington County Fair – “A Family A-Fair”

Wednesday, August 14 through Sunday, August 18, Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3501 South 2nd Street, Arlington 22204. Fun and prizes abound at the Arlington County Fair! Rides and games, food of all kinds, shopping and information tables. Look for the Arlington/Alexandria Cooperative Extension information booth for horticultural help and to see a display on the 40-year history of our local Master Gardener program. The Competitive Exhibits show off the best of our area's produce, art, and baked goods. YOU can enter for a blue ribbon. And don't miss the racing pigs! For more information go to www.arlingtoncountyfair.us

Fall and Winter Vegetable Gardening

Tuesday, August 20, 7 pm – 8:30 pm, Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley Road, Arlington 22205, OR Saturday, August 24, 10:30 am – Noon, Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road, Alexandria 22304. When the weather starts to cool, think healthful greens like kale, collards, bok choy and a wealth of lettuces. EMGs teach what to plant when and simple tips for success. Learn inexpensive techniques to extend your harvest and even how you can enjoy some of your crops in the dead of winter!

Don't miss the Wednesday Night Garden Talks at the Arlington Central Library, 7pm, 1015 N. Quincy St, Arlington 22201. Free. No registration necessary. Presented with the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC). Download the entire schedule at <https://afac.org/plot-against-hunger/pah-events/>.

Check out our Plant Clinics!! Arlington Central Library Plant Clinic is open from 6:45pm-8:45 pm every Wednesday through October 23 and is located in the East Lobby of the Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. **Arlington Farmers' Market Plant Clinic**, open Saturday mornings from 8-11 am through September 28, is located at N. 14th St. and N. Courthouse Rd. **Del Ray Farmers Market Plant Clinic**, located at 203 E. Oxford Ave, Alexandria is open from 8:30-11 am, and will operate Saturdays, through September 28. **Alexandria Farmers Market Plant Clinic**, located at 301 King St., Alexandria, operates from 7-9:30 am Saturdays through September 28.

**All Classes are FREE.
Pre-registration requested at
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