

# Introduction to Forcing Bulbs

Wednesday,  
Sept 7 @ 7 pm

This hands-on presentation will show you how to plant bulbs



for forcing through the winter. Participants will be given a variety of bulbs that they will plant in *their own pots* then take home to bury, or put into a cold frame. Discuss different types of spring bulbs, the correct way of forcing them, and time frames for what to expect and when. This session will also touch on forcing branch cuttings from the garden for early spring flowering. So prepare to get your hands dirty because everything will be coming up tulips, daffodils, crocus, and grape hyacinths

**IMPORTANT:** Bring with you at least two medium size, clean, terra cotta plant pots.

# Learning from a Master Gardener

## Vertical Gardening

By Tom Maddux, Master Gardener  
Thursday, May 12 at 7 pm

## Pollinator Power

By Jane Murphy, Master Gardener  
Tuesday, June 14 at 2 pm

## Introduction to Backyard Composting

By Hetty Francke, Master Gardener  
Thursday, July 21 at 7 pm

## Introduction to Container Gardening

By Meg MacDonald, Master Gardener  
Tuesday, August 2 at 4 pm

## Introduction to Forcing Bulbs

By Richard Heiss, Master Gardener  
Wednesday, September 7 at 7 pm

### REGISTRATION REQUESTED

Please stop in or call the library today at 302-328-1995.

Limit of 20 participants per program.

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Thur 2-9, Fri/Sat 10-5

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# Master Gardener

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# Vertical Gardening

How to Use Vines and Espalier  
Thursday, May 12 @ 7 pm

Growing things vertically is much different than the usual horizontal gardening. Training plants to wall, fences and arbors produces a garden that surrounds us with beauty.



Learn how to grow things you will look up to!

# Pollinator Power

How Did Your Garden Grow Last Year? Tuesday, June 14 @ 2 pm

A so-so performance may mean you need the additional assistance of nature's pollinators – hummingbirds, bees, bats, butterflies, and beetles.



Learn how pollination takes place and how to attract beneficial native pollinators to your home garden.

# Introduction to Backyard Composting

Thursday, July 21 @ 7 pm

Join Master Composter/Gardener Hetty Francke to learn how to build and care for an environmentally-friendly compost pile, as well as how to begin your own vermin-composting bin.

A power point presentation of Compost Demonstration Sites in Delaware will help to select one of the 6 ways one can start a compost pile. This will be followed by a question and answer session.

This is a family program and children are encouraged to attend. We will have a display of composting equipment available as well as activities and handouts for the kids.



# Introduction to Container Gardening

Tuesday, August 2 @ 4 pm

Can't bear to toss your old porcelain bowl, terra cotta pot or old leather boots?

Come and join us for an introduction to container gardening. The simple concept of growing plants in pots or urns in addition to other objects offers you a variety of enjoyable and creative ways to add color and dimension to your garden.

