

CARSON'S GARDEN + MARKET 2020 SPRING CLASS SCHEDULE

Call to book (613) 243-2492
Or visit us at 1317 Wilson Rd.

MASTER CLASS – We design and grow your vegetable garden with you!

At the end of the 5 classes, attendees will leave with a complete vegetable garden design by Carson Arthur, the plants that were grown in the greenhouse for this design and an understanding of how to grow food for your family.

- Small size class includes 1-1 design time with Carson.
- Each class is split into 2 parts
 - First half of the class covers the theory of growing including topics like fertilizer, companion planting, insect and weed management
 - Second part of each class will be in the greenhouse actually starting the plants for your garden. (Early start program)
 - These plants live in the greenhouse and cared for by the CGM staff until time to plant
- This course includes
 - Access to all other spring classes at no additional cost (exception of March Break classes)
 - All seeds, soil and containers for plants as part of the early start program

Classes start at 7pm (2 hrs.) ***Note a second set of classes may be added based on demand

- Thursday, Feb 27 – Garden design 101 with onion/leek planting
- Thursday, March 19 – Companion planting with pepper planting
- Thursday, April 9 – Fertilizers and soil amendments with tomato planting
- Thursday, April 30 – Insect and weed Management with brassica planting
- Thursday, May 14 – Planting and transplanting with cucurbit planting.

Cost: \$350+hst (limit of 8 spots)

VEGETABLE GARDEN PLANNING – What to know BEFORE you start

Attendees will receive a comprehensive look at the needs of the top 12 vegetables in every garden including:

- Companion Planting
- Crop Rotations and moving your plants to help them grow
- Understanding your space for better results

Dates – Feb 29th or Mar 1st – 2pm in the greenhouse (1 hr)

Cost: \$15+hst

REBUILDING FROM THE GROUND UP– How to revitalize your vegetable and flower gardens

Attendees will get a better understanding of soil and the needs of plants to ensure bigger and better crops.

This includes:

- Amendments, fertilizers and what they do
- The right poo for you! Choosing manure for your gardens
- Square foot gardening and maximizing small spaces

Participants need to bring a sample of their garden soil for complimentary testing

Dates – March 21st or 22nd – 2pm in the greenhouse (1 hr)

Cost: \$15+hst

GET GROWING – Starting your vegetable seedlings now!

Attendees will learn how to properly start seedlings indoors including

- What to plant early and the dates to get them started
- Growing containers, soil, lights and watering
- Choosing the right vegetable plants for you

Dates – April 11th or 12th – 2pm in the greenhouse (1 hr)

Cost: \$15+hst

READY, SET...GROW! – Wake up your gardens for the season

Attendees will gain an understanding of the spring/summer needs of 15 common perennials and shrubs in most gardens by seeing them in Carson's personal space.

- Includes various popular plants like hostas, hydrangeas and peonies
- When to fertilize, prune, divide and move
- Landscape design tips to getting the most from your garden

Dates – April 25th or 26th – 2pm in Carson's Garden (dress weather appropriate) 1.5 hrs

Cost: \$20+hst

RAISED BEDS, VERTICAL & CONTAINER GARDENING – Growing plants and vegetables everywhere

Attendees will gain a better understanding of how to grow using unconventional methods including vertical planters, self watering systems and even pallets and straw bale gardens. Topics covered include:

- How to build a raised garden
- The best plants for pots
- Companion planting for your containers
- Self Watering planters and how they work for the part-time gardener
- Myths about containers including gravel in the bottom and using terracotta

Dates – May 9th or 10th – 2pm in the greenhouse (1 hr)

Cost: \$15+hst

THE KIDS PROGRAM – March Break Activities

We get your children interested in growing plants and show them how to be successful doing it so they want to keep at it. This includes:

- Building a garden. Each child will build, decorate and plant a self-watering Patch Planter
- Understanding what plants need so they will grow.
- Choosing seeds and plants based on flavours and fun names
- How to plant by understanding how roots work and what they do for the plant
- Best suited for children 5-12 years of age
- Children will be closely supervised so parents do not need to attend

Dates – Choose one class from March 16th – 20th – Classes begin at 10 am (2 hrs.) – Snacks provided by Flossie's

Cost: \$55+hst