



cityblossoms

City Blossoms is an organization that uses gardening to create environmental, nutritional, and cultural connections for children and youth. We are dedicated to working with children, youth and community organizations to foster their creativity, combined strength and skills to grow and maintain fantastic yet functioning green spaces.

2009 GIRARD GARDEN WORKSHOP SERIES

The Girard Garden Workshop Series offers **free** monthly garden-inspired workshops to adults, children & families. The workshops are held in the **Girard Children's Community Garden** in the Girard Playground (1480 Girard St., NW)

For other gardening workshops check out **Common Good City Farm** (formerly 7th St. Garden) & the **D.C. Urban Garden Talk Series** at the Historical Society of Washington, D.C.

Gardeners under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult to participate in the workshop series.

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april 25: Prepping & Planting with the Lasagna Method
Use free to inexpensive materials to create a healthy garden bed just in time for Spring planting. *Instructor: Rebecca Lemos (10-11:30 am)*

may 30: Permaculture, A Holistic Approach to Gardening
(taught in Spanish & English) Curious about permaculture? Learn the basic concepts of this technique, creating sustainable healthy environments and how to apply them to your garden. *Instructor: Neris Gonzalez (10-11:30 am)*

june 27: Herbs & the How-Tos of Care, Harvest & Use
Workshop I (10-11 am) Choosing and caring for the herbs in your garden. *Workshop II (11-12 pm)* Ways to harvest and use herbs from your garden. *Instructor: Holly Poole-Kavana.*

july 25: Bugs...Friends or Foes?!?
How do you know an insect in your garden is good or baaaad? Kids and their families can come on a bug hunt and learn how to identify insects, and make some bug-inspired art! *Instructor: Lola Bloom (10-11 am)*

august 29: Cooking & Preserving Summer Bounties
Have too many summer veggies? Join us for a morning of culinary & preserving techniques. *Instructor: Ona Balkus (10-11 am)*

september 26: Getting to Know the Green Around You
Join a guided walk from Girard Garden to a nearby community garden & learn about the different green spaces along the way. The walk will be about 1.5 miles. *Instructor: TBA (10-12 pm)*

october 31: Making Food out of Fall Crops
Tried growing some kale, swiss chard or turnips this fall but unsure how to make them tasty? Join a cooking pro to pick up some fall harvest recipes. *Instructor: Jamie Forsythe (10-11:30 am)*

november 28: Compost Compost Compost!
Learn to use your garden, kitchen and office waste to create rich compost to feed your soil. We will focus on methods friendly to city dwellers. *Instructor: Mia Ballard (10-11 am)*

december 19: Food Trail Forum
Join us for lively discussion and activities exploring the what, where and how of the food we eat! This workshop will take place in the Columbia Heights Youth Center, directly across from the garden. (10-11 am)

RSVP are appreciated due to limits in space.