

TLC THE LAND CONSERVANCY
Eagles Estate Heritage Garden
Gardening Workshops Spring 2010

TLC will be hosting a series of educational workshops this winter and spring at the [Eagles Estate Heritage Garden](#) in Burnaby – just a short drive away from Vancouver. The workshops focus on sustainable gardening and some of the topics covered will be basic pruning and tree care, vegetable gardening, invasive species control, mason bees, and backyard bumblebee conservation. Registration is now open for the following workshops. Register early to avoid disappointment.

Basic Pruning and Tree Care

Eagles Estate Heritage Garden, 5655 Sperling Ave, Burnaby, B.C. ([view map](#))

Saturday, February 6, 1-4 p.m., \$30 (all proceeds to TLC)

Pre-registration required – email lralph@conservancy.bc.ca or call 604-733-2313.

Explore the basics of tree care with Laura Ralph, ISA Certified Arborist and TLC's Head Gardener. Learn how to prune with clear objectives and an understanding of how trees will respond to pruning cuts. After the indoor presentation, participants will look at pruning examples in the garden.

Mason Bee Workshop

[Eagles Estate Heritage Garden](#), 5655 Sperling Ave, Burnaby, B.C. ([view map](#))

Saturday, March 13, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., \$30 (all proceeds to TLC)

Pre-registration required – email lralph@conservancy.bc.ca or call 604-733-2313.

Learn how to have happy healthy mason bees in your garden with Brian Campbell. Brian has a certificate in Permaculture Design, is a Certified Bee Master, and is very active in food security and conservation issues. In this introduction to the Blue Orchard Mason Bee you will learn about their life cycle and how to attract and get them to stay in your garden. There will be a hands-on opportunity to wash cocoons and identify some common diseases and pests of these gentle beneficial insects.

Summer Vegetable Gardening

[Eagles Estate Heritage Garden](#), 5655 Sperling Ave, Burnaby, B.C. ([view map](#))

Saturday, March 27, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., \$30 (all proceeds to TLC)

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Get growing this spring with a lively 'tips and tricks' workshop led by Sharon Hanna – instructor for Gaia College's "Growing Food in the City" program, creator of school gardens and writer for GardenWise and Gardening Life. Learn about the best varieties to grow in our region, the best seeds to buy, and when, where, and how to plant them. Explore the use of organic matter vs. fertilizers and do some hands-on planting. Please come with lots of questions!

Fall and Winter Vegetable Gardening

[Eagles Estate Heritage Garden](#), 5655 Sperling Ave, Burnaby, B.C. ([view map](#))

Saturday, June 12, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., \$30 (all proceeds to TLC)

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Do you know that you can grow food all year in coastal BC? Join Sharon Hanna – instructor for Gaia College’s “Growing Food in the City” program, creator of school gardens, and writer for GardenWise and Gardening Life to learn more about extending the growing season. Winter veggies need to be started as early as June through to early July. Find out what you can grow throughout fall and winter and explore the use of cloches and coldframes.

Backyard Bumblebee Conservation

[Eagles Estate Heritage Garden](#), 5655 Sperling Ave, Burnaby, B.C. ([view map](#))

Saturday, June 26, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., \$30 (all proceeds to TLC)

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Urban spaces tend to be highly fractured ecologically, join Brian Campbell to learn how to make your neighbourhood more bee-friendly. Brian has a certificate in Permaculture Design, is a Certified Bee Master, and is very active in food security and conservation issues. Bumblebee biology and life cycles will be covered and you will learn some simple techniques to encourage and support these beautiful and important creatures. Help make bee corridors through our city environment so bees can continue helping us grow lots of food!

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