



April 8, 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS

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ORGANIC GARDEN TALKS

The ins and outs of raised planter beds and unconventional containers

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Presented by Green City Growers

From raised beds to pots and everything in between, learn the ins and outs of successfully growing vegetables and fruits in raised beds and unconventional containers. Everything you need to know about setting up for success - location, design, light and containers. Learn about choosing your edible plants and the planting methods - goals, seasons, crop mapping, seeds and starts, where to get your plants, and soil mix.

- The Organic Garden is located across from the Outback Pavilion (download map). In the case of rain, check with an Admissions attendant for alternate location.
- . This is a free event, and pre-registration is required.
- · Please note: Garden talks do not include admission to the Zoo.



Understanding soil ecology in the garden

Saturday, April 16, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Location: Franklin Park Zoo Organic Garden

Presented by Northeast Organic Farming Association (NOFA/Mass)





Join Northeast Organic Farming Association (NOFA/Mass) educator Dan Bensonoff for a workshop on soil health and ecology. Learn about the complex interconnections between soil life and plant health that make for a thriving garden. Participants will walk away with practical advice on how to maintain resilient soils for greater productivity and sustainability.

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About Organic Garden Talks

Talks are held in the same area as **The Organic Garden Project**, located on the grounds at Franklin Park Zoo. Through The Organic Garden Project, a variety of produce and herbs are grown on Zoo grounds for the animals. In addition to the benefits to Zoo New England's Franklin Park Zoo and Stone Zoo, The Organic Garden Project also provides an opportunity to educate people in the local communities about the importance of fresh, locally grown produce and how to undertake small-scale organic gardening on their own.

Garden talks have been generously made possible by the Massachusetts Service Alliance and the YOU Generate Campaign.



Hoverfly on buckwheat

ORGANIC GARDEN TALKS

These are lectures to teach people organic gardening techniques. Our goal is to have as many people from our community as possible take advantage of them. The lectures are free with admission, but further, for our local community members, we will be waiving the regular zoo admission for those who want to attend the lecture.



Pre-registration is required, please bring the completed registration form or the registration receipt on a smart phone.

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