



Ted Lare Garden Center Classes 2012



Beautiful Blooming Bulbs—Saturday March 10th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$29

Create this fun project and enjoy some fragrant and colorful blooming bulbs indoors and just in time for Easter! In this class you will plant a variety of bulbs that have already been chilled and are ready to bloom. General care and maintenance of the bulbs will also be discussed.

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Beginning Bonsai Class Saturday March 17th 10am to Noon Class \$39

Come to this class and learn basic bonsai instructions including: wiring and branch shaping, correct trimming and pruning techniques, watering, soil care, and pot selection. All students will get to select one pre-started bonsai to take home with them. A selection of bonsai items such as pruners, books, and pots will be available for purchase.

DM-R



Terrific Tufa—Saturday March 24th 10am to Noon or 1pm to 3pm Class Fee \$39

Hypertufa pots and planters are an attractive alternative to concrete and stone planters. They have the look of aged concrete or stone but are lightweight and can be created in a variety of shapes & sizes. In this class you will create your own weathered looking hypertufa garden planter. You will create a planter by filling a mold with a mixture of cement, peat moss, and perlite. You will need to return in a week to pick up your project once it has dried & this is a fun but messy project so please dress accordingly. WDM-A



Outstanding Orchids Saturday March 31st 10am to Noon Class Fee \$39

Discover a love for orchids. Learn about the many new and easy to grow varieties that exist, as well as the care and cultural requirements for growing great orchids and keeping them in bloom. You will also learn how to get orchids to re-bloom. Once the informational session has been completed you will select an orchid and transplant it into a new container to take home with you.

DM--R



Just Chillin Saturday April 14th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$39

In the class you will learn how to design and create a planter filled with annuals that love the early cool spring temperatures—pansies, seaside daisies, snapdragons, kale and more. Proper care and maintenance of cool weather annuals will also be discussed.

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Fanciful Fairy Garden—Saturday April 28th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$49

Create your own fairy garden using miniature evergreens and other mosses and plants to create your miniature garden. Then make your garden a perfect home for the fairies by decorating it with miniature garden items such as benches, pots, stools, and other fanciful fairy items. Proper care and maintenance will be shared. We will provide a plastic container approximately 10" however we recommend pairing this with the hypertufa class for a great combo. Bring your own container and receive a \$5 credit.

DM—A



Grass Slipper & Butterfly Delight Container Class Sat May 5th 10am to Noon Class \$30

Come create one of these fabulous container plantings to take home and enjoy for the summer. If you have sun at your home you will create a Grass Slipper Planter filled with purple & white Angelonia, Scaveola, Allysum & Grasses. If you have part shade at your home you will create the Butterfly Delight planter using pink & purple Scaveola, Butterfly Weed, Pink Angelonia, and Silver Falls. A plastic container is included for the class, you can purchase or bring a different container if you wish.

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Stepping Stone Class Saturday May 19th 10am to Noon Class \$29

Create your own stepping stone in this class by using concrete mix and molds. Then decorate it with a variety of materials—glass marbles, beads, tiles, and more to create your own piece of unique art for your garden. This class is messy so dress appropriately. You will need to return in a few days to pick up your stepping stone once it is dry.

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Veggie Gardening 101 Saturday May 26th 10am to Noon Class FREE

Are you new to gardening or just need some help planning your vegetable garden? Take this class to learn all the basics of veggie gardening. We will discuss amending soil to create a great growing environment for you plants, veggie seed and plant selection, planting techniques, common garden pests and more! Bring your questions.

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Sand Casted Rhubarb & Hosta Leaves Saturday June 2nd 10am to Noon and 1pm to 3pm Cost \$39

Make your very own garden art this summer with leaves from the landscaping! In this class you will make a sand casting of a rhubarb or hosta leaf (your choice). Once the sand casting is completed it can be painted or left natural and then used as a birdbath, birdfeeder, or simply as a piece of garden art. You will need to leave your creations to dry and come back to pick it up one week after class.

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Grow Your Own Delicious Fruits Saturday June 9th 10am to Noon Class \$39

Take this class and learn how to grow your own delicious fruits including blueberries, strawberries, raspberries, rhubarb, and a variety of fruit trees. We will discuss hardy varieties, proper growing conditions, planting, treating pests, harvesting and proper care of your plants. Each participant will get to select \$20 worth of fruit plants, trees, or fruit care products.

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Dwarf Conifer Garden Saturday June 16th 10am to Noon Class \$49

Create your own miniature potted dwarf evergreen garden. You will use miniature evergreen plants such as boxwoods, holly, arborvitae, or spruce to create your own miniature garden to take home for your porch or patio. The plants are unique in their small size and create an interesting planter for the summer months. Proper care and maintenance will be shared. (This class works well when paired with the hypertufa class).

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Herbal Tea Gardening Saturday June 23rd 10am to Noon Class Fee \$39

Learn how to create your own herbal tea garden in this class. We'll discuss some of the best plants to include in your garden for teas, tips for growing, how to harvest the plants, and how to brew teas from fresh and dried herbs. You will also experience a tea tasting with several different types of teas and select one plant to take home to get you tea garden started.

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Herbal Spa Class Saturday June 30th 10am to Noon Class \$39

In this class you will learn about growing your own herbs and using them to create your own spa treatments. You will also be given three recipes and make three items to take home with you including luxurious sugar scrub, bath teas, and herbal foot soaks. Use them to pamper yourself or give them as gifts.

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Organics in the Garden Saturday July 7th 10am to Noon Class Cost FREE

Want to grow healthy delicious food without the chemicals? Learn how to go organic in the garden with this free class. We'll discuss organic soil preparation and additives, organic fertilizers, plant selection practices for disease tolerance/resistance, organic garden pest treatments and more. Come prepared with your questions.

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Garden Pests Gone Wild Saturday July 14th 10am to Noon Class Fee FREE

Have garden pests gone wild in your garden this year? Take this class to learn about the most common pests and problems in the garden and the symptoms your plants will show. We'll also discuss various ways to treat the most common pests and problems—including the use of organic products. Its not too late to turn your garden around!

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Native Plants for the Modern Landscape Saturday July 21st 10am to Noon Class FREE

Come to this class to learn about the using native lowan plants in your landscape. You'll learn the benefits of using natives plants and how to use them to create a modern landscape in your yard.

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Unusual Succulents in Unusual Containers Saturday July 28th 10am to Noon Fee \$39

Succulents are unique because of their wide variety of shapes, sizes, and textures. They are also extremely easy to care for and practically thrive on neglect! Come to this class and select an unusual container such as a seashell, tea tins, clogs, and more and plant it with your choice of succulents.

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Sand Casted Rhubarb & Hosta Leaves Saturday August 25th 10am to Noon and 1pm to 3pm Cost \$39

Make your very own garden art this summer with leaves from the landscaping! In this class you will make a sand casting of a rhubarb or hosta leaf (your choice). Once the sand casting is completed it can be painted or left natural and then used as a birdbath, birdfeeder, or simply as a piece of garden art. You will need to leave your creations to dry and come back to pick it up one week after class.

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Deer Proofing Your Yard Saturday September 8th 10am to Noon Class Fee FREE

Have the deer invaded your neighborhood and have been eating up your landscaping? Then this is the class for you. We'll discuss best plant selections for deer ridden neighborhoods. We'll also discuss products that can be used to protect your landscaping plants and their effectiveness. Bring your questions.

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Terrariums Saturday September 15th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$39

Terrariums are one of the latest trends in gardening. Create this unique terrarium using a glass square glass container (or one of your own choosing) and you will create a terrarium to take home. Proper terrarium construction, care and maintenance will be discussed.

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Advanced Bonsai Class Saturday September 22nd 10am to Noon Class \$39

Come to this class and learn advanced bonsai instructions including starting a bonsai from scratch, plant selection, wiring and branch shaping, correct trimming and pruning techniques. All students will get to select one bonsai starter plant to take home with them. A selection of bonsai items such as pruners, books, and pots will be available for purchase.

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Scarecrow Class Saturday September 29th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$34

Create your own scarecrow to decorate your yard! We'll provide the pumpkin (for a head), straw, and decorative accents. You will need to bring the clothes for your scarecrow (pants or overalls, shirt, gloves, hat, shoes) and we'll assemble the scarecrow in class to take home with you. A great class to bring the kids to help.

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Proper Pruning Saturday October 1st 10am to Noon Class Fee FREE

Learn all the pruning basics to keep your plants beautiful & healthy. We'll discuss and do hands-on-training on: proper pruning techniques, tools, and timing for trimming roses, shrubs, and trees . Handouts provided, bring your questions!

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Fall Wreath Saturday October 13th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$49

Create a unique fall wreath out of dried and silk flowers, fall leaves and fall accents such as pumpkins, apples and berries . This wreath will makes a great impact on your front door or a festive interior decoration.

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Pumpkins Trio Saturday October 20th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$39

Want to freshen up your fall pumpkin display? Learn new decorating techniques and get ready for Halloween and come decorate three pumpkins of different sizes. You will use a variety of spray paints, glitters, stencils, "bling", and seasonal accents to decorate each pumpkin in a different way. We will have plenty of pre-decorated pumpkins on display for inspiration.

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Feeding Your Feathered Friends Saturday October 27th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$39

Learn all about the different types of birds in Iowa . We will also discuss which bird feeders and seed will attract certain birds and the types of plants that will attract birds to your yard. Each participant will get to select a feeder to take home and handouts will be provided.

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Rustic Barn Board Planter Saturday November 3rd 10am to Noon Class Fee \$49

Add a little green to your home this fall with this unique barn board planter for the home. You will assemble this planter using barn board and mason jars. Then you will plant it with your choice of tropical plants or herbs. Proper care and maintenance will be discussed.

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Growing Lush Tropical Plants Saturday November 10th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$10

Come to this class and learn about growing tropical plants indoors. We will discuss the best types of plants for your indoor light conditions and proper fertilizer and watering schedules. We will also discuss common indoor tropical plants pests. Each participant will be able to select at least one tropical plant to take home with them. Handouts will be provided.

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Blooming Bulbs—Saturday November 17th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$31

Bring a little color indoors this winter by creating a potful of blooming bulbs. In this class you will plant a pot with layers of different bulbs, such as tulips, daffodils, hyacinths, and crocus. The pot will then be over wintered in cold storage at your home (or at our facility) and by early February you'll have some beautiful blooming bulbs .

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Holiday Centerpiece Saturday December 4th 10am to Noon Class Fee \$34

Create your own holiday centerpiece to dress up your table during the upcoming holidays. You will make a centerpiece that contains a candle, holiday ribbon, fresh evergreen branches and other assorted winter greenery.

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