# Growing Gardeners Workshop Series



SUMMER 2018

Some of these workshops require registration - email <a href="mailto:learn@omahasprouts.org">learn@omahasprouts.org</a> to register!



# **MAY**

# **BACKYARD CHICKENS** with Anita Soto

Thursday, May 3rd 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts South, 1815 N Street

Anita Soto will explain options for designing chicken coops, obtaining chickens and the best methods for caring for and feeding them.

**FOCUS ON GROWING TOMATOES** with Rebecca Reagan Wednesday, May 9th 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

Join us as we talk about tomatoes. We will discuss tomato varieties, how to plant, staking or caging, common diseases and ideas for preserving your harvest.

## SEED SAVING 101 with Mary Hanten

Thursday, May 10th 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts South, 1815 N Street

Mary Hanten will explain how to plan your garden for seed saving and learn how to save cool weather crop seeds, like lettuce and cilantro. This class is part of the Seed Saving Series at City Sprouts South.

## **SUMMER PLANTING WORKSHOP** with Carol Dona

Wednesday, May 16th PM to 8PM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

Join Carol Dona, a long-time City Sprouts gardener, for an interactive and informative workshop on summer gardening tips.

# **LILAC HAPPY HOUR - OMAHA GIVES**

Wednesday, May 23rd 4PM to 7PM at City Sprouts South, 1815 N Street

Join us at City Sprouts South for lilac-themed treats, beverages, and activities to celebrate our community and the support we received during Omaha Gives! Show your support at <a href="mailto:omahagives.org/citysprouts">omahagives.org/citysprouts</a>!

## HAPPY HOUR IN THE ENCHANTED GARDEN - OMAHA GIVES

Wednesday, May 23rd 5PM to 7PM at Big Garden, 5602 Read Street

Join us for local snacks, beverages, and celebration of Omaha Gives Day and kicking off the growing season! Free and family friendly. Enjoy tours of the garden, music, and social hour!

## NATURAL WEED AND PEST CONTROL with Aaron French

Thursday, May 24th 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts South, 1815 N Street

City Sprouts Farm Manager Aaron French will explain options beyond synthetic products for combating pests and weeds in the garden.

## **SPRING FLING**

Saturday, May 26th 10AM to 12PM at City Sprouts 4002 Seward Street

Celebrate the coming of spring! Family-friendly, activities for kids, snacks and light beverages will be provided.

## **CITY SPROUTS SATURDAY MORNING FARM STAND**

Every Saturday May 26th through September 22 10AM to 12PM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street Farm-fresh vegetables, fruits, eggs, and other goodies grown, produced, and raised at City Sprouts!

# MAY CONTINUED

#### ASK A FARMER LEARNING CIRCLE

Monday, May 28th 6PM to 8PM at The Big Garden, 5602 Read Street Bring your gardening questions for seasoned growers, have a tour of The Big Garden demonstration gardens, and enjoy locally-grown snacks. If you haven't been to the Big Garden before this is a great time to see our space and meet us!

**EXPLORING THE PAPIO-MISSOURI WATERSHED** with Austin Hill *Thursday, May 31st 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts South, 1815 N Street* Austin Hill from the NRD will discuss the history of the Papio-Missouri Watershed that winds through the city of Omaha.



# **JUNE**

## LITTLE SPROUTS GARDEN CLUB

Saturdays, June 2nd through August 4th 10AM to 11:30AM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

Learn from different experts about gardening, pollinators, cooking and more! Ages 3-7. FREE! Parents and guardians are encouraged to join their children in exploring the garden. For kids under 5, we do require a parent or guardian to be in attendance. Participants are invited to attend any or all of the fun-filled sessions.

# **ALL ABOUT GARLIC** with Tyler Magnuson

Thursday, June 7th 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts South, 1815 N Street

Tyler Magnuson will explain this history of garlic from its origin in Central Asia to the many varieties we have today and the best ways to plant, care for and store it.

## **SECOND SATURDAY YOGA**

Saturday, June 9th 9AM to 10AM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

There is no better way to greet the day! Bring your mat and welcome nature's energy into your body, mind and spirit through yoga practice in the gardens at City Sprouts.

# **SUMMER FORAGING** with Cait Caughey

Monday, June 11th 6PM to 8PM at The Big Garden, 5602 Read Street

Join us as we harvest, prep, cook and enjoy wild edibles! Great for all ages, the novice or experienced forager.

## MAKING TINCTURES with Alex O'Hanlon

June 13th 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

We will learn the basics of picking, drying, and tincturing different herbs. We will discuss in more detail tulsi, lemon balm, and dandelion root. Everyone will go home with a tincture.

## MAKING TINCTURES with Alex O'Hanlon

Thursday, June 14th 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts South, 1815 N Street

CSS garden manager Alex O'Hanlon will explain the history of the use of tinctures and how to grow and harvest herbs for making tinctures. This class is part of the Herbal Series at City Sprouts South.

# **CANNING JAMS AND JELLIES** with Clare Maakestad

Saturday, June 16th 1PM to 3PM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

OR Wednesday, June 20th, 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

In this hands-on workshop, you will learn about the basics of home canning using a water-bath canner and apply that knowledge by canning fresh fruit from City Sprouts' gardens! Each participant will have the option to take home a jar of our canned jam. Each workshop is limited to 10 participants, so RSVP online!

## **BIG GARDEN NATURE CAMP**

Fridays June 22nd, 29th July 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, 9:30AM to 11:30AM at The Big Garden, 5602 Read Street

Big Garden Nature Camp is for children ages 3-6 and 7-10 years old, activities will be provided for both age groups. This program emphasizes hands-on learning and nature play. Your child will learn a variety of skills featuring a new theme each week. Registration required \$5/class, but full scholarships are available! Email Cait to register ccaughey@biggarden.org

## **SUMMER SOLSTICE**

Saturday, June 23rd 10AM to 12PM at City Sprouts, 4002 Seward Street

Celebrate the changing of the season with the summer solstice in the garden. This free family friendly celebration will feature seasonal treats and activities.

# BUILDING A SOLAR DEHYDRATOR with Jim Schalles and Alex O'Hanlon

Thursday, June 28th 6PM to 8PM at City Sprouts, 1815 N Street

During this workshop we will explain the basic principles at work in a solar dehydrator and how to choose a design and construct a solar dehydrator. Participants can observe different solar dehydrator designs in action.

**The Growing Gardeners Workshop Series** is a collaboration between City Sprouts and The Big Garden in Omaha, Nebraska. Our purpose is to offer four seasons of hands-on workshops that feature skills and techniques for every gardener and urban farmer. All workshops are free or low-cost, all-ages, and no one will be turned away for inability to pay. Questions? Contact learn@omahasprouts.org