

## Heronswood Classes, 2019

### **Practical Botany for Gardeners**

1/12/19 Saturday

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Instructor: Ross Bayton

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Demystifying Botanical Latin: Tracing the Labyrinth of Truth**

1/23/19 Wednesday

What's in a name, anyway? What are the terms repens, decussatus, and praecox telling us about the plants they represent, and who's this Kniphof character with his red-hot poker plants? If you've ever wondered at the meaning behind the seemingly enigmatic names of your favorite plants, this class is for you. Gardener, educator, and botanical Latin enthusiast Daniel Sparler will share the tools you need to start deciphering the mysterious yet enriching system of plant taxonomy and binomial nomenclature.

Instructor: Daniel Sparler

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Propagation I: Seed, Hardwood Cuttings**

2/2/19 Saturday

Propagation by seeds remains a mystery to many fine gardeners, though there is probably no greater joy than collecting, cleaning, and sowing one's own seeds, successfully transplanting the resultant seedlings, and raising them to maturity. In the first of a three part series on plant propagation, Heronswood founder and Garden Director Dan Hinkley will approach the process of propagation by seed with an easy to comprehend blending of both theory and practical hands-on information. Propagation by hardwood cuttings will also be covered. The cost of this class covers instruction and materials for a hands-on propagation lesson.

Instructor: Dan Hinkley

\$35 Heronswood & PGST members, \$50 non-members

### **Plant Study: Conifers and Broadleaf Evergreens**

2/16/19 Saturday

Conifers dominate the western Washington landscape and are important components of many of our gardens. Broadleaf evergreens, too, are significant as hedges and specimen plants. This course will teach you how to identify these important plants, while also demonstrating their utility in the garden landscape.

Instructors: Ross Bayton, Nathan Lamb

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Making Hypertufa Planters**

3/6/19 Wednesday

Hypertufa planters are a beautiful, durable way to display alpine plants and succulents, and are surprisingly easy to create. Heronswood Garden Curator/Assistant Director Nathan Lamb will explain the techniques that go into designing, making, and planting hypertufa containers, after which you'll get to roll up your sleeves and make your own beautiful planter to bring home to your garden. The cost of this class includes instruction and materials to make one hypertufa container.

Instructor: Nathan Lamb

\$65 Heronswood & PGST members, \$80 non-members

### **Foraging for Medicinal and Edible Plants**

3/16/19 Saturday

Learn the basics of locally common edible and medicinal plants, including their identification, ecology, and traditional uses. This class includes a hands-on cooking demo and delicious recipes incorporating spring-foraged nettles.

Instructor: Azure Boure'

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Pruning Ornamental Trees and Shrubs**

3/27/19 Wednesday

Pruning is perhaps the best example of horticulture being both a science and an art. To prune properly requires a solid understanding of the biology and growth patterns of the plant in question, and also an artistic vision of the form you intend it to express. In this class, professional arborist and professor of horticulture Bess Bronstein will explain the basics of proper ornamental pruning of trees and shrubs, including a hands-on demonstration. Please bring any pruning tools and equipment, and all pruning questions that you have.

Instructor: Bess Bronstein

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Plant Study: Ferns**

4/13/19 Saturday

This class is the second in our ongoing Plant Study series, and will cover an introduction to the botany, identification, and ornamental uses of the most garden-worthy fern species. Ferns will be available for sale following the lecture.

Instructor: John van den Meerendonk

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Gone to Pots: Integrating Containers into the Garden**

4/24/19 Wednesday

Join long time friend of Heronswood (or 'honorary Heronista') Lucy Hardiman as she shares strategies for creating stunning containers to enhance your garden year-round. A lecture chronicling the history and evolution of gardening in containers followed by images of container plant combinations and ways to use them as design elements in your garden sparks our collective imagination. After a short break we'll talk about plant selection, demonstrate planting techniques and share information about the care, feeding and maintenance of containers.

Instructor: Lucy Hardiman

\$35 Heronswood & PGST members, \$50 non-members

### **Propagation II: Root Cuttings, Perennial Division**

5/22/19 Wednesday

This is the second class in our propagation series, but may be taken as a stand-alone class if desired. Heronswood founder and Garden

Director Dan Hinkley will lead a lecture and hands-on demonstration dealing with the techniques of plant propagation by cuttings and division. Though he will share with the students the methods used on a nursery scale, attendees will also learn how to translate his recommendations to a less expensive, more informal "home gardener" format. The cost of this class covers instruction and materials for a hands-on propagation lesson.

Instructor: Dan Hinkley

\$35 Heronswood & PGST members, \$50 non-members

### **Roses for the Pacific Northwest**

6/8/19 Saturday

No garden is complete without roses, and Pacific Northwest gardens are no exception. Our climate poses unique challenges to rose gardeners, and it can be difficult to achieve those coveted, classic blooms. Local rose expert, speaker, educator and lifetime gardener Nita-Jo Rountree will help attendees select the best varieties and provide the best care to have a truly stunning rose garden in the Pacific Northwest

Instructor: Nita-Jo Rountree

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Plant Study: Deciduous Trees, Shrubs, and Vines**

6/19/19 Wednesday

This class is the third in our ongoing Plant Study series, and will cover an introduction to the botany, identification, and ornamental uses of the most garden-worthy deciduous trees, shrubs and vines, followed by a tour of deciduous plants in the Heronswood collection

Instructors: Ross Bayton, Nathan Lamb

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### **Practical Botany for Gardeners**

7/17/19 Wednesday

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Instructor: Ross Bayton

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

### **Plant Study: Northwest Native Plants**

8/28/19 Wednesday

This class is the fourth in our ongoing Plant Study series, and will cover an introduction to the botany, identification, and ornamental uses of the most garden-worthy Pacific Northwest native plants, followed by a tour of native plants in the Heronswood collection.

Instructor: TBD, Northwest Horticultural Society

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### **Plant Study: Grasses and Sedges**

9/25/19 Wednesday

This is the fifth and final class in our ongoing Plant Study series, and will cover an introduction to the botany, identification, and ornamental uses of the most garden-worthy grasses and sedges for the Pacific Northwest gardener, followed by a tour of graminoids at Windcliff garden and nursery.

Instructor: Dan Hinkley

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

## **Mushroom ID and Foraging**

10/5/19 Saturday

Fall is peak time for wild, edible mushrooms, and this class will prepare you to go out with basket and knife in hand to harvest your own bounty. We will cover basic identification, the necessary safety precautions, and the ecology of some of the more choice edible mushrooms that can be found in the Pacific Northwest. The lecture will be followed by a mushroom foraging walk. Come dressed for the weather and a brief hike in the woods.

Instructor: TBD

\$30 Heronswood & PGST members, \$45 non-members

## **Natural Dyes with Plant Materials**

11/2/19 Saturday

There is a long, beautiful tradition of using plant materials to create dyes, and this class will introduce you to it. This lecture and hands-on workshop will explore the diversity of plants that can be used in dye-making, the colors they can provide, and the techniques that you can use at home to try your hand at creating natural dyes with plant materials.

Instructor: Susan Pavel

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