

## 2014 Xeriscape and Gardening Events

Sponsored by Fort Collins Utilities and Gardens on Spring Creek



## Residential Environmental Program Series

**Midtown Arts Center, 3750 S. Mason St.**

**RSVP:** [fcgov.com/reps](http://fcgov.com/reps) by the Friday before the program

*Classes are free.*

### Understanding Permaculture

March 12, 7–9 p.m.

Permaculture is a holistic approach to landscape design. Patrick Padden will share how it incorporates a diversity of species for a more sustainable landscape.

### Unique and Functional Xeriscape

April 2, 7–9 p.m.

Discover how to create a well-designed landscape. Loretta Mannix will share design tips for transitioning from lawn to garden beds, including a variety of exceptional, underused plants.

### Wildscaping 101: Habitat Hero Landscaping

April 9, 7–9 p.m.

Learn how to provide habitat for songbirds and pollinators, while saving water. Presenters include Lauren Springer Odgen, Susan Tweit and Connie Holsinger.

*Co-sponsored by City of Fort Collins Natural Areas*

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## Gardens on Spring Creek Classes

**2145 Centre Ave.**

**Register:** [fcgov.com/gardens](http://fcgov.com/gardens)

*There is a charge for these classes.*

### Improving Your Garden Soil with Compost and Cover Crops

March 8, 1–3 p.m., \$8

Routine application of organic matter is an essential component of gardening and soil management. Learn how to make compost and properly apply it to the garden.

### Landscape Design with Rocky Mountain Native Plants

April 12, 10 a.m.–Noon, \$8

Develop your garden plan using traditional landscape design practices, but focusing on native plants.

### Just Drip It

April 12 and April 19 (repeat), 1–4 p.m., \$8

Learn the basics of drip irrigation.

### Maximize Your Sprinkler Efficiency

May 31, 10 a.m.–Noon, \$8

Gain better control of your landscape water use. Learn how to maintain, adjust, repair and understand your sprinkler system.

### New Xeriscape Design Assistance Program

Fort Collins Utilities offers water customers a private, 1½-hour consultation with a landscape design professional. You'll receive a ready-to-plant plan for a small area of your yard. After the consultation, you are eligible for a Xeriscape installation rebate. Details: [fcgov.com/xeriscape-assistance](http://fcgov.com/xeriscape-assistance)