

**26<sup>th</sup> Annual Series  
2013 Programs  
Midtown Arts Center  
3750 S. Mason St.**

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**Cool Strategies for Summer Utility Savings**  
*May 15*

Help make this a zero-waste event series.

The City of Fort Collins will make reasonable accommodations for access to City services, programs and activities, and will make special communication arrangements for persons with disabilities. Please call 221-6700 or TDD 224-6003 for assistance.

**Residential  
Environmental  
Program Series** **2013**

**Free Public Programs**

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# 2013 Residential Environmental Program Series

Midtown Arts Center, 3750 S. Mason St.

## **Eco-Friendly Families**

*February 27, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Discover activities that engage and inspire families to improve their quality of life. Local experts will share concrete advice and tips.

## **Community Capacity Building**

*March 13, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Become more involved and engaged in your community's local projects, educational programs and non-profit organizations.

## **Tricks and Tips for Xeriscape**

*March 27, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Mikl Brawner, co-owner of Harlequin Gardens, will share his 25 years of xeriscape experience with tricks for turning your yard into an attractive setting while reducing water use and maintenance.

## **Solar Update: What's New Under the Sun?**

*April 3, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Discover new paths to "go solar," including leasing options, new community solar garden, commercial feed-in-tariff and on-bill financing.

## **Oil and Gas Answers**

*April 10, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Learn about the new land-use regulations and general policies on how oil and gas exploration and extraction within the incorporated city might impact you. Find out what you can do to stay engaged.

## **Evolving into a Xeriscape Design**

*April 17, 7–8:30 p.m.*

David Whiting, CSU horticulture specialist, will show you how to evolve a landscape design and add pizzazz while keeping water savings in mind.

## **More Color, Less Water ~ Dryland Perennials**

*April 24, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Garden author and columnist Marcia Tatroe will share how the best of dryland perennials can enhance your garden and save water.

## **The Art and Science of Composting**

*May 1, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Addy Elliott, CSU Soil and Crop Sciences Department, will teach you how to turn your household's yard trimmings and food scraps into an excellent soil amendment.

## **Burning Questions: Fire and Our Watershed**

*May 8, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Find out how the High Park Fire impacted the Poudre River watershed and the City's water supply. Fort Collins Utilities staff will share fire mitigation efforts to ensure high quality water.

## **Cool Strategies for Summer Utility Savings**

*May 15, 7–8:30 p.m.*

Water and electricity use typically increases with summer landscape watering and air conditioning. Learn about tiered rates, and discover strategies to conserve resources and control costs.

